

V. U.S. Sport

V-1 Berryman, Jack W. "Early Black Leadership in Collegiate Football: Massachusetts as a Pioneer," *Historical Journal of Massachusetts*, 9, No. 2 (1981), 17-28.

Despite a general consensus that blacks' quest for equal rights was at a low point between 1877-1914, blacks were able to play football at various colleges in Massachusetts. As a trend-setter in race relations, Massachusetts had liberal laws which allowed blacks to obtain an education and prepare for careers of their choice (vs. Southern paternalism). These liberal tendencies allowed talented blacks to make their marks on Massachusetts college campuses and in society in general. Based on primary and secondary materials; 51 notes; 2 illustrations.

—Jon Stauff

V-2 Bolotin, Norm. "Nome's 1907 Version of the Globetrotters," *The Alaska Journal*, 9, No. 4 (Autumn 1979), 64-68.

In 1907, the Nome Arctic Brotherhood basketball team was organized to advertise Nome and to promote the 1909 Alaska-Yukon Exposition. This team in 1907-08 travelled down the west coast and across the continent to New York State, playing 80

games with only 12 losses. Few disputed its claim to at least a share of the then-mythical national title. Based on primary sources; no notes; three photographs.

—Barbara Schrodt

- V-3 Dworkin, James B. and Park, Jay. "Collective Bargaining in Professional Basketball: An Empirical Investigation," *Journal of Sport Behavior*, 9, No. 4 (1986), 131-140.

Before 1976, the management of NBA franchises could dictate the careers of professional basketball players through relatively low salaries and the lack of player mobility. These low salaries, the formation of the NBA Players Association, and the case of Oscar Robertson vs. the NBA (1975) caused the NBA to seek better player-management relations by instituting collective bargaining in 1976. An empirical analysis shows how salaries have subsequently risen. Based on secondary sources; no notes; 6 tables.

—John Stauff

- V-4 Genini, Ronald. "California's Circumcyclist Extraordinaire," *The Californians*, 5, No. 3 (May/June 1987), 22-27.

Riding a 50" Columbia Roadster bicycle, 29-year-old Thomas Stevens left San Francisco on April 20, 1884, to circumnavigate the earth. Returning to San Francisco in January, 1887, Stevens had traveled 30,000 miles, actually cycling 13,500 miles of it. His adventures along the way were published in several *Outing Magazine* articles as well as his two-volume book *Around the World on a Bicycle*. Based on primary and secondary sources; no notes; bibliography; 4 illustrations.

—Lynne Emery

- V-5 Haser-Harris, Diane B. "Horse Racing in Early Oklahoma," *The Chronicles of Oklahoma*, 64, No. 1 (Spring 1986), 5-17.

Haser-Harris recounts the Comanche love of horse racing, the development of a racing circuit, and the eventual emergence of pari-mutuel betting as well as the objections to horse racing and gambling during the early days of Oklahoma. In 1913 state laws were passed to ban gambling in all forms thus ending an early chapter in horse racing history; although, the sport did not die. In 1982, Oklahoma legalized pari-mutuel betting, pushing back the hands of time. 34 references; 10 photographs.

—Jean Pekara

- V-6 Kozial, John A. "Recreation in Chicopee 1853-1857," *Historical Journal of Western Massachusetts*, 6, No. 2 (1978) 18-27.

A survey of the *Chicopee Weekly Journal* in the mid-1850s illustrates the recreational activities available to members of a community undergoing the transition from an agricultural-based economy to one supported by industry. There was an emphasis on public recreation, with events of an intellectual, musical, social, and sporting nature. Townspeople engaged in fishing, sailing, swimming, riding, archery, shooting, sled-

ding, and skating. Competitions also developed during this period. Based on secondary materials; 55 notes.

—Jon Stauff

V-7 Leckie, Shirley. "The Origins of Toledo's Metropolitan Parks," *Northwest Ohio Quarterly*, Vol. 59, No. 1 (Winter 1987), 3-15.

Begun in the progressive reform movement of the 1890s the parks development was stymied in Toledo by other priorities in city government until the 1920s. Municipal reports of 1925 and 1928 revealed Toledo's poor park status. Following the formation of a Park Board in 1929, a major metropolitan expansion and modification of facilities occurred during the Depression when labor and federal funds for these projects became plentiful. Nine parks comprise today's Metropolitan Toledo system. 46 notes.

—John Schleppe

V-8 Mrozek, Donald J. "Games and Sport in the Arctic," *Journal of the West*, 26, No. 1 (January 1987), 34-46.

Pre-industrialized cultures faced a difficult adjustment to "modernity" in sport. For example, the perpetuation of survival-based, native games is represented by the World Eskimo-Indian Olympics. Three different recreational sub-cultures in the Arctic have emerged: the native Inuit, the technologically-advanced Caucasians whose jobs brought them there, and the short-term visitors attracted by the novelty of the region. Based on primary and secondary sources; 31 notes; 11 photographs.

—Marybell Avery

V-9 Park, Roberta J. "Sport History in the 1990s: Prospects and Problems," *Academy Papers*, No. 20 (1986), 96-108.

The author, based on an assessment of the quality and extent of past sport history writings, challenges physical educators to become research leaders in this field. She calls upon them to use incisive analytical thought focusing on social, cultural, and intellectual genres of contemporary historical writings. In addition, sport/physical education history in the future must be academically rigorous, well-contexted socially and culturally, and integrative. Based on primary and secondary works; 55 notes.

—Angela Lumpkin

V-10 Sadler, Carl K. "Jim Thorpe's 100th Birthday: A Pictorial Tribute," *The Chronicles of Oklahoma*, 65, No. 1 (Spring 1987), 90-97.

To help celebrate the anniversary of the one hundredth birthdate of Jim Thorpe, the Olympic gold medal winner and the man voted "the best male athlete of the first half century," Carl Sadler offers a short photographic tribute to one of Oklahoma's best known favorite sons. 8 references; 13 photographs.

—Jean Pekara

V-11 Wiggins, David A. "From Plantation to Playing Held: Historical Writings on the Black Athlete in American Sport," *Research Quarterly for Exercise and Sport*, 57, No. 2 (June 1986), 101-116.

This article focuses on the most influential books and articles representing the increased attention given to the historical study of black athletes. Works by Krout,

Manchester, Weaver, and Dulles focus almost exclusively on white activities, while more recent surveys by Lucas and Smith, Baker and Carroll, and Rader provide more recognition to black athletes and their contributions. Much has been written since the 1960s to increase our understanding of the black sporting experience. Suggestions for further research are provided. Based on secondary sources; 74 notes.

—John Neville