

United States History Through Baseball: From the Classroom to the Archive

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At the 1980 NASSH meeting in Banff Dr. Joseph E. King and Jim Harper presented papers on how they were using a new course “Baseball: A Mirror on American History” to teach United States history. This paper discussed the development of this course during the last decade, giving special attention to the satisfactions and difficulties involved in this class’ and to the publicity the course has received in outlets such as *The New York Times*, *Americana Magazine*, and CBS Morning News. The paper also dealt with how the class has led Jim Harper to research areas such as baseball broadcasters and his current project on the impact of television on baseball.