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On the eve of World War II, African American boxer Joe Louis fought German Max Schmeling in a bout that had more at stake than just the world heavyweight title; for much of America their fight came to represent America's war with Germany. This elegant and powerful picture book biography centers around the historic fight in which Black and White America were able to put aside prejudice and come together to celebrate our nation's ideals.

The story of the most famous protest in sports history, written by one of the men who staged it.

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A provocative and contrarian religious history that charts the rise of Christianity from the point of view of traditional" religion from the religious scholar and critically acclaimed author of Augustine. Pagans explores the rise of Christianity from a surprising and unique viewpoint: that of the people who witnessed their ways of life destroyed by what seemed then a powerful religious cult. These "pagans" were actually pious Greeks, Romans, Syrians, and Gauls who observed the traditions of their ancestors. To these devout polytheists, Christians who worshipped only one deity were immoral atheists who believed that a splash of water on the deathbed could erase a lifetime of sin. Religious scholar James J. O'Donnell takes us on a lively tour of the Ancient Roman world through the

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fourth century CE, when Romans of every nationality, social class, and religious preference found their world suddenly constrained by rulers who preferred a strange new god. Some joined this new cult, while others denied its power, erroneously believing it was little more than a passing fad. In *Pagans*, O'Donnell brings to life various pagan rites and essential features of Roman religion and life, offers fresh portraits of iconic historical figures, including Constantine, Julian, and Augustine, and explores important themes—Rome versus the east, civilization versus barbarism, plurality versus unity, rich versus poor, and tradition versus innovation—in this startling account. This New York Times–bestselling author's account of the 1936 Olympics in Berlin offers a “vivid

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portrait not just of Owens but of '30s Germany and America" (Sports Illustrated). At the 1936 Olympics, against a backdrop of swastikas and goose-stepping storm troopers, an African American son of sharecroppers won a staggering four gold medals, single-handedly falsifying Hitler's myth of Aryan supremacy. The story of Jesse Owens at the Berlin games is that of an athletic performance that transcends sports. It is also the intimate and complex tale of one remarkable man's courage. Drawing on unprecedented access to the Owens family, previously unpublished interviews, and archival research, Jeremy Schaap transports us to Germany and tells the dramatic tale of Owens and his fellow athletes at the contest dubbed the Nazi Olympics. With incisive reporting and

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rich storytelling, Schaap reveals what really happened over those tense, exhilarating weeks in a “snappy and dramatic” work of sports history (Publishers Weekly). “A remarkable job of tackling a complex subject and bringing it to life.” —John Feinstein  
“Add[s] even more luster to the indelibly heroic achievements of Jesse Owens.” —Ken Burns

The Glory of Their Times

A Boy's Remarkable Journey from a Refugee Camp to Harvard

The Pain, Politics and Promise of Sports

The Untold Tale of a Mineral That Transforms Lives and Heals the Brain

The Story of the Early Days of Baseball Told by the Men Who Played It

The Boxing Kings

The True Tale of the Rise and Fall of a

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Champion

**Tagline:** One man's extraordinary fight to save the family he loved.

**Plot Synopsis:** During the Great Depression, a common-man hero, James J.

Braddock--a.k.a. the Cinderella Man--was to become one of the most surprising sports legends in history. By the early 1930s, the impoverished ex-prizefighter was seemingly as broken-down, beaten-up and out-of-luck as much of the rest of the American populace who had hit rock bottom. His career appeared to be finished,

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he was unable to pay the bills, the only thing that mattered to him--his family--was in danger, and he was even forced to go on Public Relief. But deep inside, Jim Braddock never relinquished his determination. Driven by love, honor and an incredible dose of grit, he willed an impossible dream to come true. In a last-chance bid to help his family, Braddock returned to the ring. No one thought he had a shot. However Braddock, fueled by something beyond mere competition, kept winning.

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Suddenly, the ordinary working man became the mythic athlete. Carrying the hopes and dreams of the disenfranchised on his shoulders, Braddock rocketed through the ranks, until this underdog chose to do the unthinkable: take on the heavyweight champ of the world, the unstoppable Max Baer, renowned for having killed two men in the ring.

Did you want to go to America? Pop: Sure. I didn't have a choice. My father said I had to go. So I went. Were you sad



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when you left your village? Pop: Maybe a little . . . well, maybe a lot. Ten-year-old Gim Lew Yep knows that he must leave his home in China and travel to America with the father who is a stranger to him. Gim Lew doesn't want to leave behind everything that he's ever known. But he is even more scared of disappointing his father. He uses his left hand, rather than the "correct" right hand; he stutters; and most of all, he worries about not passing the strict immigration

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test administered at Angel Island. The Dragon's Child is a touching portrait of a father and son and their unforgettable journey from China to the land of the Golden Mountain. It is based on actual conversations between two-time Newbery Honor author Laurence Yep and his father and on research on his family's immigration history by his niece, Dr. Kathleen S. Yep.

The story of New York in the Fifties—of Rat Pack cool and the fading of the Mob's glamour—brilliantly told through the prism of

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Madison Square Garden. New York in the Fifties was the most interesting and most vibrant city in the world. New York gave the world a couple of other things too: one bloody and brutal but the king of sports, the other simply bloody and brutal. The Fifties were boxing's last real heyday. Never again would the sport be so glamorous or so popular. And that's where New York's other gift to the world—the Mob—came in. Gangsters have been around for boxing's entire history, but this time it

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was special. Most of the decade's major fights took place at boxing's spiritual home, Madison Square Garden, and most of the deals that made or ruined the lives of the era's many fine fighters were done on a famous strip of pavement across the road from the Garden: Jacobs Beach. And the man ruling that strip of pavement was a charming Italian murderer called Frankie Carbo.

"A retelling of Cinderella about an indomitable inventor-mechanic who finds her prince but

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realizes she doesn't want  
a fairy tale happy ending  
after all"--

The Roar of the Crowd

Triumph: Jesse Owens And  
Hitler's Olympics

The Big Fight

Rocky Marciano's Fight for  
Perfection in a Crooked  
World

Welcome to the Terrordome

The Cinderella-man

The Untold Story of Jesse  
Owens and Hitler's  
Olympics

*The remarkable behind-the-scenes  
story of one of the most iconic clashes  
in sports and world history. In 1936,  
against a backdrop of swastikas  
flying and storm troopers goose-*

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*stepping, an African-American athlete won a staggering four Olympic gold medals. Jesse Owens, the son of sharecroppers, had single-handedly crushed Hitler's myth of Aryan supremacy. The story of Jesse Owens at the 1936 games is that of a high-profile athlete giving a performance that transcends sports. But it is also the intimate and complex tale of the courage of one remarkable man. This is the incredible true story of one of the moments a black athlete beat Hitler at his own games. Biography of the man who rose in professional boxing in the 1920's, lost a title fight in 1929, struggled to feed his family, and with Joe Gould as his manager, won the heavyweight title*

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*from heavily favored Max Baer in 1935.*

*In the wake of the bombing of Pearl Harbor, the 1942 Rose Bowl was moved from Pasadena to Durham, North Carolina, out of fear of Japanese attacks on the West Coast. It remains the only Rose Bowl game to ever be played outside of Pasadena. Duke University, led by legendary coach Wallace Wade Sr., faced off against underdog Oregon State College, with both teams preparing for a grueling fight on the football field while their thoughts wandered to the battlefields they would soon be on. As the players and coaches prepared for the game, America was preparing for war. President Franklin*

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*D. Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill met to discuss the Allied strategy in Europe; a discussion that would change the lives of the boys and men on the field in Durham. Finally, on New Year's Day 1942, under dark gray skies and occasional rain, the two teams clashed on the gridiron in front of a crowd of 56,000, playing one of the most unforgettable games in history. Shortly afterward, many of the players and coaches entered the military and would quickly become brothers on the battlefield. Scattered around the globe, the lives of Rose Bowl participants would intersect in surprising ways, as they served in Iwo Jima and Normandy, Guadalcanal*



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*and the Battle of the Bulge. Four players from that Rose Bowl game would lose their lives, while many more were severely wounded. In one powerful encounter on the battlefield, OSC's Frank Parker saved the life of Duke's Charles Haynes as he lay dying on a hill in Italy. And one OSC player, Jack Yoshihara, a Japanese-American, never had the chance to play in the game or serve his country, as he was sent to an internment camp in Idaho. In this riveting and emotional tale, Brian Curtis sheds light on a little-known slice of American history and captures in gripping detail an intimate account of the teamwork, grit, and determination that took place on both the football fields and the battlefields*

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*of World War II. It was a game created by infamy and a war fought by ordinary boys who did the extraordinary.*

*From the bestselling author of The Prince of Providence, a revelatory biography of Rocky Marciano, the greatest heavyweight champion of all time. The son of poor Italian immigrants, with short arms and stubby legs, Rocky Marciano accomplished a feat that eluded legendary heavyweight champions like Joe Louis, Jack Dempsey, Muhammad Ali, and Mike Tyson: He never lost a professional fight. His record was a perfect 49-0. Unbeaten is the story of this remarkable champion who overcame injury,*

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*doubt, and the schemes of corrupt promoters to win the title in a bloody and epic battle with Jersey Joe Walcott in 1952. Rocky packed a devastating punch with an innocent nickname, "Suzie Q," against which there was no defense. As the champ, he came to know presidents and movie stars – and the organized crime figures who dominated the sport, much to his growing disgust. He may have "stood out in boxing like a rose in a garbage dump," as one sportswriter said, but he also fought his own private demons. In the hands of the award-winning journalist and biographer Mike Stanton, Unbeaten is more than just a boxing story. It's a classic American tale of immigrant*

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*dreams, exceptional talent wedded to exceptional ambitions, compromises in the service of a greater good, astounding success, disillusionment, and a quest to discover what it all meant. Like Suzie Q, it will knock you off your feet.*

*Harlequin Comics*

*A Drama in Three Acts*

*The Autobiography of Tommie Smith*

*A Comedy in Four Acts*

*The Dragon's Child*

*A Novella and Two Stories*

*Time For Vindication*

In this unflinching and inspiring autobiography, the boxing legend faces his single greatest competitor: himself. Sugar Ray Leonard's brutally honest and uplifting memoir reveals in intimate detail

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for the first time the complex man behind the boxer. The Olympic hero, multichampionship winner, and beloved athlete waged his own personal battle with depression, rage, addiction, and greed. Coming from a tumultuous, impoverished household and a dangerous neighborhood on the outskirts of Washington, D.C., in the 1970s, Sugar Ray Leonard rose swiftly and skillfully through the ranks of amateur boxing-and eventually went on to win a gold medal in the 1976 Olympics. With an extremely ill father and no endorsement deals, Leonard decided to go pro. *The Big Fight* takes readers behind the scenes of a notoriously corrupt sport and chronicles the evolution of a champion, as Leonard prepares for the greatest fights of his life-against Marvin Hagler, Roberto Duran, Tommy Hearns, and Wilfred Benitez. At the same time Leonard fearlessly reveals his own contradictions and compulsions,

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his infidelity, and alcohol and cocaine abuse. With honesty, humor, and hard-won perspective, Leonard comes to terms with both triumph and struggle-and presents a gripping portrait of remarkable strength, courage, and resilience, both in and out of the ring.

The #1 New York Times–bestselling story about the American Olympic rowing triumph in Nazi Germany—from the author of *Facing the Mountain*. For readers of *Unbroken*, out of the depths of the Depression comes an irresistible story about beating the odds and finding hope in the most desperate of times—the improbable, intimate account of how nine working-class boys from the American West showed the world at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin what true grit really meant. It was an unlikely quest from the start. With a team composed of the sons of loggers, shipyard workers, and farmers,

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the University of Washington's eight-oar crew team was never expected to defeat the elite teams of the East Coast and Great Britain, yet they did, going on to shock the world by defeating the German team rowing for Adolf Hitler. The emotional heart of the tale lies with Joe Rantz, a teenager without family or prospects, who rows not only to regain his shattered self-regard but also to find a real place for himself in the world. Drawing on the boys' own journals and vivid memories of a once-in-a-lifetime shared dream, Brown has created an unforgettable portrait of an era, a celebration of a remarkable achievement, and a chronicle of one extraordinary young man's personal quest.

Presents the complete shooting script for the new film inspired by the life of James Braddock, who journeys to the heights of the sports world as he rises from poor

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local fighter to king of the boxing ring, defeating Max Baer in 1935 to become the heavyweight boxing champion of the world. Original. (A Universal Pictures & Miramax Films production, directed by Ron Howard, releasing June 2005, starring Russell Crowe & Renée Zellweger) (Drama)

For much of the twentieth century, boxing was one of America's most popular sports, and the heavyweight champions were figures known to all. Their exploits were reported regularly in the newspapers—often outside the sports pages—and their fame and wealth dwarfed those of other athletes. Long after their heyday, these icons continue to be synonymous with the “sweet science.” In *The Boxing Kings: When American Heavyweights Ruled the Ring*, Paul Beston profiles these larger-than-life men who held a central place in American culture.



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Among the figures covered are John L. Sullivan, who made the heavyweight championship a commercial property; Jack Johnson, who became the first black man to claim the title; Jack Dempsey, a sporting symbol of the Roaring Twenties; Joe Louis, whose contributions to racial tolerance and social progress transcended even his greatness in the ring; Rocky Marciano, who became an embodiment of the American Dream; Muhammad Ali, who took on the U.S. government and revolutionized professional sports with his showmanship; and Mike Tyson, a hard-punching dynamo who typified the modern celebrity. This gallery of flawed but sympathetic men also includes comics, dandies, bookworms, divas, ex-cons, workingmen, and even a tough-guy-turned-preacher. As the heavyweight title passed from one claimant to another, their stories opened a window into the larger history of

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the United States. Boxing fans, sports historians, and those interested in U.S. race relations as it intersects with sports will find this book a fascinating exploration into how engrained boxing once was in America's social and cultural fabric.

Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics

Jacobs Beach

The Real J.J. Braddock's Story

Everything in This Country Must

Disney Princess Chapter Book

Pagans

Triumph

***A mistreated kitchen maid, with the help of her fairy godmother, attends the palace ball on the condition that she leave before midnight.***

***Down and Out in the Great***

***Depression is a moving, revealing collection of letters by the forgotten***

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*men, women, and children who suffered through one of the greatest periods of hardship in American history. Sifting through some 15,000 letters from government and private sources, Robert McElvaine has culled nearly 200 communications that best show the problems, thoughts, and emotions of ordinary people during this time. Unlike views of Depression life "from the bottom up" that rely on recollections recorded several decades later, this book captures the daily anguish of people during the thirties. It puts the reader in direct contact with Depression victims, evoking a feeling of what it was like to live through this disaster. Following Franklin D. Roosevelt's inauguration, both the number of letters received by the*

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***White House and the percentage of them coming from the poor were unprecedented. The average number of daily communications jumped to between 5,000 and 8,000, a trend that continued throughout the Roosevelt administration. The White House staff for answering such letters--most of which were directed to FDR, Eleanor Roosevelt, or Harry Hopkins--quickly grew from one person to fifty. Mainly because of his radio talks, many felt they knew the president personally and could confide in him. They viewed the Roosevelts as parent figures, offering solace, help, and protection. Roosevelt himself valued the letters, perceiving them as a way to gauge public sentiment. The writers came from a number of different groups--middle-class***

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***people, blacks, rural residents, the elderly, and children. Their letters display emotional reactions to the Depression--despair, cynicism, and anger--and attitudes toward relief. In his extensive introduction, McElvaine sets the stage for the letters, discussing their significance and some of the themes that emerge from them. By preserving their original spelling, syntax, grammar, and capitalization, he conveys their full flavor. The Depression was far more than an economic collapse. It was the major personal event in the lives of tens of millions of Americans. McElvaine shows that, contrary to popular belief, many sufferers were not passive victims of history. Rather, he says, they were "also actors and, to an extent, playwrights,***

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***producers, and directors as well," taking an active role in trying to deal with their plight and solve their problems. For this twenty-fifth anniversary edition, McElvaine provides a new foreword recounting the history of the book, its impact on the historiography of the Depression, and its continued importance today.***

***"Easily the best baseball book ever produced by anyone." —Cleveland Plain Dealer "This was the best baseball book published in 1966, it is the best baseball book of its kind now, and, if it is reissued in 10 years, it will be the best baseball book." — People From Lawrence Ritter (The Image of Their Greatness, The 100 Greatest Baseball Players of All Time), comes one of the bestselling, most***

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***acclaimed sports books of all time, The Glory of Their Times—now a Harper Perennial Modern Classic. Baseball was different in earlier days—tougher, more raw, more intimate—when giants like Babe Ruth and Ty Cobb ran the bases. In the monumental classic The Glory of Their Times, the golden era of our national pastime comes alive through the vibrant words of those who played and lived the game. It is a book every baseball fan should read!***

***Hilarious and unflinchingly honest, Careering takes a hard look at the often toxic relationship working women have with their dream jobs.***  
***careering (verb) 1. working endlessly for a job you used to love and now resent entirely 2. moving in a way that feels out of control***

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***Imogen has always dreamed of writing for a magazine. Infinite internships later, Imogen dreams of any job. Writing her blog around double shifts at the pub is neither fulfilling her creatively nor paying the bills. Harri might just be Imogen's fairy godmother. She's moving from the glossy pages of Panache magazine to launch a fierce feminist site, The Know. And she thinks Imogen's most outrageous sexual content will help generate the clicks she needs. But Imogen's fairy-tale ending soon sours as she finds herself putting more and more of herself into writing for a company that doesn't care if she sinks or swims. Neither woman is aware of the crucial thing they have in common. Harri, at the other end of her career, has also***



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*been bitten and betrayed by the industry she has given herself to. Will she wake up to the way she's being exploited before her protégé realizes that not everything is copy? Can either woman reconcile their love for work with the fact that work will never love them back? Or is a chaotic rebellion calling . . .*

*The Shooting Script*

*Fields of Battle*

*The Great White Hope*

*The Rock of His Times*

*Pearl Harbor, the Rose Bowl, and the Boys Who Went to War*

*Of Beetles and Angels*

*The Gospel Cinderella*

Well played for suckers you and I.

There is nothing that can be done about that now. Except learn the truth. This story, Time for

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Vindication, is a story of James J Braddock - 'The Cinderella Man': it will allege the fixing of boxing matches and their outcomes as well as abandonment by managers and trainers, of fighters when they were of no further use. James J Braddock had served the mob's purpose to make money for organised crime 1926 - 1937."I watched the movie 'The Cinderella Man'. I read three books by different authors many times, all three books called the Cinderella man. I thought James J. Braddock was an amazing man. I studied the records of the men James J. Braddock fought, to judge their caliber, and I discovered a deception. I too once fought in the

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ring. I have extensively researched James Braddock's fighting history; my conclusion is this story. James J. Braddock had more than 20 amateur fights losing one. After James J Braddock's 19th professional fight, undefeated, as a professional, more than 40 fights, if you include the amateurs matches. James J. Braddock fought Johnny Alberts, Johnny Alberts record at that time was 0 wins - 0 losses - 0 draws. James J. Braddock's 26th professional fight, winning all of his professional fights before this fight, many by knockout, James J. Braddock, fought Jack Stone, who had fought 22 fights Stone was defeated in each fight, these were

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the caliber of men James J. Braddock was fighting up until such times as he fought for the light heavyweight world title, after James J Braddock's defeat for the light heavyweight title of the world organised crime had no further use of him for many years. James J Braddock miraculously won the world heavyweight title 1935. James J Braddock reportedly a washed-up fighter, in continual pain from damage and busted hands, struggling to feed himself and his family, as a result of the depression 1929. After the release of 'Owney 'The Killer' Madden' from Sing - Sing prison, it would take only four fights and James J. Braddock would

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be the new heavyweight champion of the world. James J Braddock would win the world title at Madison Square Garden bowl 1935, in the month of June, at the graveyard of champions. Each year, in June for many years at the graveyard of champions, the world heavyweight title did change hands. My conclusion, as to why this happened, was because the recovery act, abused by a criminal element, put in place by President Roosevelt contained a sunset clause.

“Dave Zirin is the best young sportswriter in America.”—Robert Lipsyte This much-anticipated sequel to *What’s My Name, Fool?* by acclaimed commentator Dave

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Zirin breaks new ground in sports writing, looking at the controversies and trends now shaping sports in the United States—and abroad. Features chapters such as “Barry Bonds is Gonna Git Your Mama: The Last Word on Steroids,” “Pro Basketball and the Two Souls of Hip-Hop,” “An Icon’s Redemption: The Great Roberto Clemente,” and “Beisbol: How the Major Leagues Eat Their Young.” Zirin’s commentary is always insightful, never predictable. Dave Zirin is the author of the widely acclaimed book *What’s My Name, Fool?* (Haymarket Books) and writes the weekly column “Edge of Sports” ([edgeofsports.com](http://edgeofsports.com)). He writes a

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regular column for The Nation and Slam magazine and has appeared as a sports commentator on ESPN TV and radio, CBNC, WNBC, Democracy Now!, Air America, Radio Nation, and Pacifica. Chuck D redefined rap music and hip-hop culture as leader and co-founder of the legendary rap group Public Enemy. Spike Lee calls him “one of the most politically and socially conscious artists of any generation.” He co-hosts a weekly radio show on Air America.

This is the script of the original musical from which the film was adapted, not the film's screenplay. In this captivating and complex portrait of an American sports

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legend, Russell Sullivan confirms Rocky Marciano's place as a symbol and cultural icon of his era. As much as he embodied the wholesome, rags-to-riches patriotism of a true American hero, he also reflected the racial and ethnic tensions festering behind the country's benevolent facade. Spirited, fast-paced, and rich in detail, Rocky Marciano is the first book to place the boxer in the context of his times. Capturing his athletic accomplishments against the colorful backdrop of the 1950s fight scene, Sullivan examines how Marciano's career reflected the glamour and scandal of boxing as well as tenor of his times.

Mechanica



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James J. Braddock, Max Baer, and  
the Greatest Upset in Boxing  
History

When American Heavyweights  
Ruled the Ring

The End of Traditional Religion and  
the Rise of Christianity

The Rise of the Cinderella Man

The James J. Braddock Story

Rocky Marciano

Set in New York in the Depression,  
this is the story of Jim Braddock,  
who takes up boxing to make money  
to feed his family, and eventually  
goes up against champ Max Baer,  
notorious for having killed two men  
in the ring. James J. Braddock, born  
in New York City, was known locally  
for his thunderous right hand and

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successful amateur boxing career. After turning professional, he defeated foe after foe, and his rapid rise from obscurity earned him the nickname, the Cinderella Man. He was given a shot at the world light heavyweight title against champion Tommy Loughran in 1929, but lost in a 15-round decision. Following that defeat and the stock market crash of 1929, Jim Braddock struggled to win fights and provide for his young family. Eventually Jim's luck turned. In 1934 he had upset wins against Corn Griffin and John Henry Lewis. With these two wins, Braddock set himself up for another shot at the world title – against heavyweight champion, Max Baer. On 13 June 1935, as a 10 to 1 underdog, Jim

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took the world title from Max Baer in what was described as, 'the greatest fistic upset since the defeat of John L. Sullivan by Jim Corbett'.

Braddock would lose his heavyweight title two years later in an eight-round KO to 'The Brown Bomber', Joe Louis. Jim was inducted into the Ring Boxing Hall of Fame in 1964, the Hudson County Hall of Fame in 1991 and the International Boxing Hall of Fame in 2001.

James J. Braddock's nickname, the Cinderella Man, was an understatement. His rise from hard-luck, bottom-rung local slugger to heavyweight champion of the world is still regarded as one of the greatest true-life triumphs in the

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history of sport. Jim Hague tells Braddock's story.

Jim Braddock was a boxer, but during the Depression he has to take any job to feed his wife and children. One day he gets the chance to fight again and amazingly he wins, and he continues to win against other opponents. Then he meets his greatest challenge -- world champion, Max Baer, a man who has already killed two men in the ring

Ellen's beloved home is about to be sold. The prospective buyer is Max Vasilikos, the real-estate mogul. Ellen doesn't care how rich he is. She's not going to let him have her house. But Max turns out to be an incredibly attractive man. When he

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finds out about Ellen's charity activities, he invites her to a charity ball. Ellen hesitates and says such a glamorous occasion isn't for someone like her. But Max insists and kindly escorts her to the party. Ellen keeps reminding herself that she mustn't fall for him, that he's only being kind because he wants her house.

A CINDERELLA FOR THE GREEK  
When Basketball Ruled at the  
Chinese Playground  
The Cinderella Man  
Outside the Paint  
A Story of Angel Island  
Braddock  
Unbeaten

*"A fictional, idealized life story of boxing champion Jack Johnson, here*

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*called Jack Jefferson. Acting as a lens focused on a racist society, The Great White Hope explores how segregation and prejudice created the demand for a 'great white hope' who would defeat Johnson and how this, in turn, affected the boxer's life and career."*--From publisher's website.

*On the heels of the new Russell Crowe biopic comes the story of James Braddock, the "Cinderella Man"--one of boxing's biggest longshots.*

*New York Times Bestseller: This true Depression-era story of a down-and-out fighter's dramatic comeback is "a delight" (David Halberstam). James J. Braddock was a once promising light heavyweight. But a string of losses in the ring and a broken right hand happened to coincide with the Great*

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*Crash of 1929—and Braddock was forced to labor on the docks of Hoboken. Only his manager, Joe Gould, still believed in him. Gould looked out for the burly, quiet Irishman, finding matches for Braddock to help him feed his wife and children. Together, they were about to stage the greatest comeback in fighting history. Within twelve months, Braddock went from being on the relief rolls to facing heavyweight champion Max Baer, renowned for having allegedly killed two men in the ring. A brash Jewish boxer from the West Coast, Baer was heavily favored—but Braddock carried the hopes and dreams of the working class on his shoulders, and when he emerged victorious against all odds, the shock*

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*was palpable—and the cheers were deafening. In the wake of his surprise win, Damon Runyon dubbed him “Cinderella Man.” Against the gritty backdrop of the 1930s, Cinderella Man brings this dramatic all-American story to life, telling a classic David and Goliath tale that transcends the sport. “A punchy read with touches of humor.” —The New York Times “A wonderful, thrilling boxing story, and simultaneously a meticulous look at Depression life.” —Jimmy Breslin Colum McCann's Everything in This Country Must, a writer of fierce originality and haunting lyricism, turns to the troubles in Northern Ireland and reveals the reverberations of political tragedy in the most intimate lives of men and women,*



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