

HISTORY 212

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FINAL EXAM

*"You never understood that it ain't no good.
You shouldn't let other people get your kicks for you."
R. Zimmerman*

Protocol: The exam is due by 0800 hours on Friday, June 17, 2010.

1. Please answer two (2) of the following questions, using material from your text, America's Obsession... and lectures, etc...
 - A. How did electronic mass media, especially T.V., affect American sports from 1945 to the present? Evaluate its impact, both positive and negative, on the sporting establishment.
 - B. Discuss the role played by ethnic and/or racial minorities in American sports after WWII (1945-2000+). How was this reflected in the larger cultural context?
 - C. Discuss the "revolution" in women's sports that have taken place since 1960. What was involved, and how has it reflected the larger cultural context? Be specific.
 - D. Discuss college sports since 1980. How have they reflected developments in American society as a whole over the last quarter century? Include consideration of the Phenomena of the digital revolution.

-- 30 points each --

- II. Please answer the following question:

Consider the role that wagering has played in the growth of the American sports establishment since WWII. Discuss the overall background of this phenomenon and discuss the significance of it in the phenomenal profitability of sports betting that has developed in both the amateur and professional realms. Obviously you will be leaning heavily upon your text "Betting the Line"...

-- 60 points --