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Women in Baseball: The Forgotten History (Hardback)

By Gai I Berlage

ABC-CLIO, United States, 1994. Hardback. Book Condition: New. New.. 244 x 163 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Very few people are aware that women were active in baseball in the United States as early as 1866. In this volume, Gai Berlage reports the histories of the umpires, players, owners, and sportswriters as well as the teams. Professional and amateur teams are covered as well as hard and softball. In 1974, when the Supreme Court forced Little League to change its charter and permit girls to play baseball on boys teams, feminists cheered, heralding the decision as a significant victory. How short their memories were! Had investigators only looked to baseball history, they would have learned, much to their surprise, that women had been avidly playing baseball for over a hundred years--as far back as 1866. In 1928, one female Indiana player helped lead her team to the state championship and on to the national tournament in American League Junior Baseball. And during World War II, Wrigley started the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League. In fact, not until 1952 was there a rule barring women from being professional players. Women in Baseball offers the details...



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