Editors’ Note – JGAPE 20.1

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This issue begins with three articles that address Progressive Era reforms. Logan Stagg Istre examines the struggle between the judiciary and the legislative branches of the federal government. Alexander Finkelstein looks at convict labor and prison reform in Colorado. Patrick Kirkwood turns to the transatlantic exchange of ideas through the pages of the New Republic and The Round Table.

We then turn to a special forum on Fitzhugh Brundage’s pathbreaking Lynching in the New South. First published 25 years ago, Lynching in the New South’s examination of racial violence remains depressing salient today. William D. Carrigan and Clive Webb have brought together twelve scholars who look at the legacies of Brundage’s work and the ways in which scholars have expanded on it. The forum concludes with an extensive interview with Fitz Brundage.

We have a new field in our “Notes from the Field”: video games. Hilary Lock and Thomas A. MacKay look at how the blockbuster video game Red Dead Redemption 2, set in a fictional 1899 American West, depicts the Progressive Era politics of its day. We conclude the issue, as always, with a full slate of book reviews.

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