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SPALDING'S Official INDOOR BASE BALL GUIDE 1917

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Indoor Base Ball in Cleveland

I - . , SPALDING S OFFICIAL INDOOR BASE BALL GUIDE- -17 Indoor Base Ball in Cleveland BY C. C. KEMP. 'i :l: ' Cleveland has not reformed in the least. It still insists on playing. indoor base ball on the corner lots, in the alleys and, in fact, nearly: ', '~ ^every place except where the game rightfully belongs. , A'," There were but three well organized leagues in the city during the' 1915 and 1916 seasons, these being the Saturday and the Sunday :>'%, 'leagues at the- Hiram House and the Junior League at the Broadway , Y. M. C. A. At the Hiram House the Penn A. C. won the champion- ship after a hard race, which lasted the whole season. This league is A:. - ~ composed of boys from twelve to sixteen, years'of age. In the Sunday Afternoon League, which is formed of men from A'^, - eighteen to twenty-five, the Eclairs were found on top when the sea- :i ^son's play was over. At the Hiram House the smaller boys play scheduled games, but are in no organized league. Efforts were made to reorganize the old Twilight League, which had- a very. successful season at the Goodrich House in 1914 and 1915. -In fact, the season was so successful that the league broke up, there being too much rivalry and too much antagonism between the teams. No outdoor league in the city has been organized in which more riv- ;^i- ., airy was shown than in the old Twilight League. The Sterling Ave- nue playgrounds were crowded to capacity at every game that was played'and the newspapers gave particular space to the reporting of '' ' the games. Failure in obtaining responsible parties to back the league ? :s'i- :last -season resulted in its not being organized, but movements are A'^- ' already on foot to start the ball rolling for this season.-. ;Just as

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they did a year ago,' the firemen play on their off hours on the nearest vacant lot. 'The schoolboys play out on the road, and the - :., - ~ factory men play during the lunch hour on the nearest available spot;. : The city of Cleveland-, due. to the efforts of Recreation Commis- : yi: -: ~ sioner J. F- Potts, has inaugurated a new plan. The instructor on each city playground there being seven on the East Side of the city l': ' and seven on the West, picks a representative team from his division. The teams on the 'East Side play a regular schedule to determine their '-;" champion. the teams on the West Side doing likewise. The champion -. ship series isthen arranged between these two winners, and this, of es , - 'course, determines the playground champion team of the city. > . , l~: i: '-s '?!?' _ l ?;,::= 't} ,

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Indoor Base Ball in Greater New York

1|1i:': ': Indoor Base Ball in Greater New York Naturally the regiments comprised in the National Guard located- in' Greater New York are the chief exponents; of the indoor game and' since the in4roduction, of the sport in the guard and its establishment :.../;~-' : '/. on an organized basis, the rules of the game as played in the various | - of ^ armories practically are no different from the outdoor game itself. The tremendous, floor space available in most of the armories of 1 ^Greater New York has increased the popularity of the game: until it has reached the state when it is the most important feature of 'the 'winter's athletic activities, and as an aid to recruiting, indoor base 'ball has been an important inducement. The games are conducted with all the provisions that govern 'the '^ -summer contests and the umpires have' authority to banish unruly players and exercise their authority as fully ,and unreservedly as .1:{.:'; :.': i those in the "big leagues." In the Twenty-third Regiment of Brook- .!?!f r~ ~-": lyn > there is an inter-company league, which starts play generally in ,November and ends in April. A special coach is employed, who takes full charge of the staging of the games, with complete authority over i:). '. : ~ ~ 'the players, so that the contests are scheduled and played with -all i!:t:)".:.' ' : the precision

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of a professional organization. The 10-inch ball is usually the most popular, owing to the fact that the breakage of glass in the armories when this ball is used is reduced to a minimum. Besides the games scheduled in the Military Indoor Base Ball League, the teams have made it a practice in the past of booking professional, semi-professional and amateur teams in the armories, and any teams desiring to get in touch with regimental indoor base ball managers should address, by mail or telephone, the following commissioned and non-commissioned officers: Twenty-second Engineers, armory Broadway and 168th Street, New York-Sergeant Coffee, Company E, Second Battalion. . . Second Field Artillery, armory Franklin Avenue and 168th Street, New York-Sergeant Arthur Hirt. . . Twenty-third Regiment, armory Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn-Cor. . . Ed Meyerdick, Company F. . . Second Naval Battalion, foot of Fifty-second Street, Brooklyn. . . Lieutenant. Crissey. . . Eighth Coast Defense, armory. Ninety-fourth. Street and Park Avenue. . . Lieutenant Louis Hyader. This regiment will soon occupy its new armory on Jerome Avenue, which will be the largest one in the State of New York. . . First Field Artillery, armory Broadway and Sixty-eighth Street, New York-Sergeant Abrams. Seventy-first Regiment, armory Park Avenue and Thirty-fourth Street, New York-Sergeant Robert Geis. . . Thirteenth Coast Defense, armory Sumner Avenue, Brooklyn-Sergeant James Rosenberger, the well known athletic coach, is in charge. Ninth Coast Defense, armory Sixth Avenue and Fourteenth Street, New York-Captain Miller. . . Fourteenth Regiment, armory Eighth Avenue, Brooklyn-Captain McDonough. It was generally conceded that the Second Field Artillery in the Bronx had the best team in military circles last winter. It is the intention of the Military Indoor Base Ball League to send invitations this winter to teams at the regular army posts in the vicinity of New York, which will ensure some good contests.

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Third base-Mulvehill, Mulvehills. Left shortstop-McCall, Andersons. Left field--Meese,
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## Classified Rules for Indoor Base Ball

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66 SPALDING S OFFICIAL INDOOR BASE BALL GUIDE t1 RULE XXV. ENTITLED TO BASES. The base-runner shall be entitled, without being put out, to i take one base in the following cases: (a) If, while he was batsman, the umpire called three balls. i (b) If the umpire awards a succeeding batsman a base on four l |balls or in case of an illegal delivery and the base-runner is thereby forced to vacate the base held by him. (c) If the umpire calls a "balk" or "illegal pitch." (d) If a ball delivered by the pitcher pass the catcher or is fumbled, only one base may be taken, provided the runner makes it, unless it is a

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third strike or fourth ball, when the runner is entitled to all he can get. (e) If the pitcher does not give him time to return to his base. (f) If, upon a fair hit, the ball strikes the person or clothing of the umpire on fair ground. (g) If he be prevented from making a base by the obstruction of an adversary, unless such adversary has the ball in his possession. (h) If, when he was batsman, the pitcher delivered an "illegal ball." (i) On a fair or foul fly ball caught the base-runner can advance, provided he does not leave his base until after the ball is caught. (This does not exempt the runner from being put out.) NOTE.- Batsman is entitled to first base on an illegal pitch, but not on a balk. (j) If the person or clothing of the umpire is struck by a ball thrown by the catcher to intercept a base-runner. RULE XXVI. WHEN TO START. (a) A base-runner must not leave his base when the pitcher holds the ball standing in his box (except to moisten the soles of his shoes by permission of the umpire). (b) A base-runner must not leave his base on a pitched ball not struck, until after it has reached or passed the catcher, on penalty of being called back.

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- 86 SPALDING'S OFFICIAL INDOOR BASE BALL GUIDE. ' . , . X strain properly made shoes with leather uppers and correctly::: .A !.... shaped soles are absolutely necessary. It is a fact that players '!-' . on many teams wear canvas top shoes and we supply in our No. P shoes absolutely the best canvas top indoor base ball ,, \*\*\* . li shoes ever made-the same style as worn by some very success-' '^'^ ful teams, but from our long experience in catering to athletes , and watching closely, as we have done, the development of indoor . i . base ball and its effects on the physical condition 'of players, we ... ' cannot consistently recommend canvas top shoes for any athletic ^,, use, and especially not for indoor base ball. ' In leather shoes we recommend No. AB, high cut, drab calf " . . - Blucher style, with heavy red rubber suction soles, superior' '!'; i quality; price \$5.00 per pair. ' .": It is most essential that every indoor base ball player wear an' ' all-wool jersey underneath his base ball shirt, as the games are ". i generally played in a warm hall, and the player naturally per- spires freely; the wool jersey absorbs this perspiration and pre- vents the wearer from contracting cold or other disease in going ;; out in the cold atmosphere after

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the game when overheated. Spalding's "T" shirt is also often used; it costs \$1.50, \$2.25 and - . \$2.75. . . . Every player should be equipped with the Spalding coat sweater to wear between innings and after tih game. A garment of this a. kind will help to protect the health of the player, and also prevent the mucles from stiffening or from cold in the shoulder or arm. The catcher should be equipped with the Spalding No. 1A Catchers' Protector, which is well padded to protect his person from injury; price \$2.00 each. Each player should wear the Spalding No. 5 all elastic "Bike" supporter, price 50 cents each, or a canton flannel supporter, price 25 cents each. . : In case of a sprain or similar injury, the Spalding elastic ankle, knee, elbow and wrist bandages will be of material assistance and . ' . ! enible the player to take part in the game where otherwise he ' would be obliged to remain idle. . - v ' '< , " ?

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SPALDING INDOOR BASE BALL UNIFORMS All Spalding Indoor Base Ball Uniforms consist of shirt, pants, cap, belt and plain or striped stockings. No extra charge for lettering shirts with name of club. :All uniforms listed below (except Nos. 3 and 4) will be furnished with either three,- quarter length, half length, full length or detachable sleeves, at no extra charge. QOn Nos. 3 and 4 uniforms, three-quarter length sleeves only will be furnished. Extra charge for all lettering on caps. No. 0. "World Series" Uniform. Complete, \$15.00 Net price to clubs ordering for Entire Team. Suit, \$12.50 No. 1. "League" Uniform. Complete, \$12.50 Net price to clubs ordering for Entire Team. Suit, 10.00 No. 2. 'Interscholastic" Uniform. Complete, \$9.00 Net price to clubs ordering for Entire Team. Suit, 7.50 No. M. "Minor League" Uniform. Complete, \$9.00 Net price to clubs ordering for Entire Team. Suit, 7.50 No. W. "City League" Uniform. Complete, \$7.50 Net price to clubs ordering for Entire Team. Suit, 6.00 No. 3. "Club Special" Uniform. Complete, \$6.00 Net price to clubs ordering for Entire Team. Suit, 5.00 No. 4. "Amateur Special" Uniform. Cpmplete, \$4.00 Net price to clubs ordering for Entire Team. Suit, 3.50 SamldO. showing colors and qualities of material that we actually furnish in our Base Ball Uniforms will be mailed on application. SPALDING KNEE PROTECTORS (Suitable also for Playground Ball) No. KE

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