

BASEBALL RULES IN FOUR TONGUES

English, French, Italian and Spanish—The Spread of the Game

Cincinnati, Oct. 21.—The popularity of baseball among the allied nations abroad is spreading so rapidly that there is already a demand for simple instructions and rules of the game, printed in foreign languages. To meet these requirements several expert baseball authorities are collaborating in the preparation of a baseball primer, which will be distributed in various sections of Europe.

The pamphlet, which will be printed in French, Italian, English and Spanish, will carry the rules of the game in the simplest form. In addition, there will be pages of explanations and answers to the questions which arise among those who are playing their first contests. These questions and answers will be printed both in English and various foreign languages in parallel columns, in order that when American and foreign players or spectators meet, without being able to speak the language of their opponents or neighbors in the stands there may be a medium of communication at hand. A glossary of technical and baseball terms in all languages is also to be appended.

BALL SCOUTS ON BATTLEFIELDS

Combing Out the American Army for Teams After the War

(Special Despatch to The Globe.)

New York, Oct. 21.—Major league stars now serving with the army in France are devoting much of their leisure time to inspecting the doughboy players developed on the other side, with a view to signing them for duty in the big leagues after the war.

Among the players acting in this capacity is Grover Cleveland Alexander, formerly star pitcher of the Phillies and Cubs, and who, when he is not popping at the Boches, is playing baseball with a team of major league stars picked by Johnny Evers. Alexander has notified friends in this country that it is not unlikely that after the close of hostilities many youths who have worn the khaki will change for the uniform of the major league clubs.

Reports from many other prominent baseball men now in France are that there are plenty of young men playing the game behind the lines in their spare hours who are worthy of a trial with the big clubs; in fact, several have urged their one-time managers either to go to France personally or to send scouts for the purpose of looking over the doughboy players who show such extraordinary promise of future development.

It is probable the Chicago Cubs will send a scout to help Alexander to look over the doughboy players in the hope of finding material with which to rebuild the Cubs when baseball is resumed. The White Sox are thinking of sending a representative to the battlefields of France for the same purpose as are also the Red Sox.

Not only will the majors obtain players from the vast body of soldier pastimers in Europe, but the minors, too, will depend in a considerable measure upon the doughboys to rebuild their clubs upon the restoration of peace. Minor league scouts already are seeking players among the khaki-clad warriors in France.

SOLDIERS IN HOLLAND PLAY CANADIAN GAMES

INTERNEED PRISONERS TAKE PART IN BASEBALL, FOOT- BALL AND HOCKEY.

Canadian soldiers interned in Holland are going in strong for athletics. Their baseball team won everything in sight and now they are turning their attention to football. They also plan to have hockey teams this winter.

Capt. Fred A. Mara, who is in London and is the sporting goods purchaser agent for the soldiers in France and England, secures his supplies from the Y.M.C.A. He writes: "I have just sent 50 football uniforms to Major 'Bob' Coryell, who is a prisoner of war in Holland. I also forwarded him all outfit hockey sticks, golf balls, etc."

"Bob" Coryell is a former University of Toronto gridiron star. He was with a 48th Highlander battalion and was captured early in the war.