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Castro's Fast Ones Blank U. S. Team

SANITAGO, Cuba, July 25 (AP).—Fidel Castro took on some Americans at their own game today—baseball—and beat them 26-0. With Fidel on the mound, the Santiago University team romped to a 12-run first inning in downing an American student team also featuring two United States newsmen.

The United States students without and the newsmen with State Department permission are currently touring Cuba. The students challenged Santiago to a game and when the bearded Prime Minister found out the newsmen were also in town, he invited them to participate.

Only Joseph Goulden of the Philadelphia Inquirer and Norman Gale of the San Juan (Puerto Rico) Star responded. Each got into the game as a pinch hitter.

Fidel got Mr. Goulden to strike out on a 3-and-2 pitch. Mr. Gale was out on a slow roller handled by Mr. Castro's brother Raul, the Armed Forces Minister, playing second.

A righthander, Fidel showed good form, using mostly sliders and fast balls. At the plate he went one-for-three and Raul two-for-two. Each singled in the big Cuban first frame. The Americans used seven pitchers.