



CHOOSING SIDES

HAVANA, 1966 — Everybody knows that Cubans love baseball. And Fidel's no exception. He'd just show up at Cerro, the big baseball stadium in Havana, and pitch an inning. In this shot of him pitching under the

lights, he's still got on his green army fatigue pants and combat boots. The rebels had a team called the *Barbudos* (bearded ones), with their own jerseys and everything. In the picture of Fidel batting, that's an old

American Louisville Slugger in his hands. Some people have said recently that Fidel tried out once and didn't make one of the U.S. pro teams, the Washington Senators. I never heard that before. I can't confirm it or deny it.

