

FAST TRIPLE PLAY BRIGHTENS THE GAME

A. B. C.'s Pull It—Lose to Cubans 10 to 8 in Furious Slu- ging Match

Taking advantage of every slip by their opponents and unleashing hits behind the miscues, the Cuban Stars annexed the opening game of the series from the A. B. C.'s of Indianapolis at Bosse field yesterday afternoon. From first to last it was one grand scrap. The score was 10 to 8.

A beautiful triple play in the first round, the first ever pulled off on Bosse field, gave the fans something to talk about for a day or two. The Cubans had men runners on first and second and two runs had come in that tied the score. Campos bunted a fly to E. Taylor who came tearing in, snatched the ball a few inches from his shoe strings, shot the ball to Clark at second, and Clark relayed it back to Warfield who covered the bag, in time to snuff out Gonzalez. The play was executed so fast that the fans, for a moment were too bewildered to applaud.

At the start it looked like an easy victory for the A. B. C.'s. The end of the fourth found them a four run lead, gained by hard hitting and with Gatewood traveling along without much annoyance, there was little cause for alarm. But the Cubans kept fighting and tied the count in the fifth.

Then the insertion of another pitcher, Junco, saved the game for the Havana boys. He worked four rounds and in those four frames only twelve men faced him. He allowed but one hit and that batter was caught a moment later on the hidden ball trick.

The Cubans tied the score in the eighth aided by some wild and wooly fielding on the part of the Indianapolis delegation and in the ninth went out and won the battle.

Gatewood pitched good enough to win any ordinary ball game but the support back of him really kicked the game away. His opponents, Padron and Junco, were accorded better backing and they pulled out of several bad holes through it.

Home runs by Watts and Guerra were the batting features. Guerra's hit traveling to the wall in right field before it finished its wild trip. Watts bumped his to the flag pole in center.

Both teams played with a snap, dash and skill that stamped them as real ball players. The Cubans know base ball thoroughly and played the game for every point. Their speed on the bases was marvelous.

Two nights on the train handicapped the A. B. C.'s to some extent. They left Chicago Tuesday night, came to Indianapolis, and then left there at

midnight Wednesday for Evansville. The men said they were tired out and looked it. Three days rest made the Cubans as frisky as a three-year-old.

The teams play again today and tomorrow and both games will be called at 3 o'clock. The score:

Cuban Stars	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Jeminez, 2b	5	1	1	3	1	1
Baro, cf	5	3	4	4	1	1
Gonzalez, c	5	1	3	3	1	0
Pedros, rf	4	1	1	0	0	1
Campos, lb	4	0	0	7	0	0
Guerra, lf	4	2	3	2	0	0
Postuonda, 3b	5	0	0	3	2	0
Rios, ss	5	1	0	4	2	0
Padron, p	3	1	0	0	0	0
Junco, p	1	0	1	1	0	0

Totals	41	10	13	27	7	3
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A. B. C.'s	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Shively, lf	5	0	1	2	0	0
Malarcher, rf	5	1	0	2	0	0
Charleton, cf	5	3	3	0	0	1
B. Taylor, lb	4	1	2	12	1	0
J. Taylor, 3b	4	1	1	0	3	1
Clark, ss	2	1	0	2	5	1
Warfield	3	0	2	3	0	2
Watts, c	3	1	2	6	4	1
Gatewood, p	4	0	0	0	1	1
Jeffries, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0

Totals	36	8	11	27	14	7
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Score by innings:

Cuban Stars...	2	0	0	0	2	1	2	1	2	—10
A. B. C's.....	2	1	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	—8

Summary: Two base hits—Charleton, J. Taylor, Warfield. Home runs—Watts, Guerra. Stolen bases—Guerra (3), Baro. Sacrifice hit—Junco. Sacrifice flies—Clark, Matts, Pedrosa. Left on bases—A. B. C.'s 6; Cuban Stars 4. Innings pitched—By Padron 5; Junco 4; Gatewood 9. Hits and earned runs—Off Padron, 6 runs, 9 hits; off Junco, 0 runs, 1 hit; off Gatewood, 13 hits, 6 runs. Bases on balls—Off Gatewood 2; Padron 1. Struck out—By Gatewood 6; Padron 2. Triple play—B. Taylor to Clark to Warfield. Passed ball—Watts. Time—2:00. Umpire—Stampfy.

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