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Bert Cueto Found

Dagoberto Cueto pitched seven games for the Minnesota Twins in 1961. He was born in Cuba and it was believed he was living there. Of course, Cuba is a black hole for finding out anything regarding addresses or death data on ballplayers. I found an interview with Sandy Valdespino in which he said that Cueto was living in North Carolina. I did a search for his address via an online "find a person" service and discovered that he was living in Charlotte, North Carolina. For this I am awarding the *Find of the Month* to myself.

The Recent Missing

Jack Smalling sent me a list of players whose whereabouts are unknown. All are assumed to be living, but some may be deceased. In any event, we need to find their current address. These players all debuted between 1930 and 1960. Listed is their name and debut year. See if we can find them: Mervin Connors (1937), Daniel Reynolds (1945), Sandy Consuegra (1950), Rogelio Martinez (1950), Procopio Herrera (1951), Hector Rodriguez (1952), Pompeyo Davalillo (1953), Nino Escalera (1954), Pedro Ramos (1955), Robert Vargas (1955), Luis Aparicio (1956), Lenny Green (1957), Philip Clark (1958), John Fitzgerald (1958), Henry Mason (1958), Fernando Rodriguez (1958), Tony Taylor (1958), Nick Testa (1958), Mike Cuellar (1959), Jack Kralick (1959), James Proctor (1959), Claude Raymond (1959), Earl Wilson (1959), Julio Gotay (1960), Julian Javier (1960), and Mike Krsnich (1960). If you know where they are, please let me know.

Pizza Anyone?

Joe Naiman sent me an article on Ralph Darwin Miller. On the occasion of his 100th birthday, he mentioned that he had never heard of pizza. So the regional director of Pizza King sent him a pizza that was three feet in diameter with his name spelled out in slices of pepperoni. Miller's reaction? "No, I won't eat it!"

Ralph Winnie

Ralph Winnie, a longtime member of our committee, died February 8 in Seattle. I never met Ralph, but had corresponded with him many times. Ralph knew every player in the Seattle area. He also had one of the largest collections of baseball autographs in the country, numbering over 11,000. He obtained Babe Ruth's and Lou Gehrig's autographs personally at the 1939 World's Fair. He will be missed.

New Members

Please welcome Bill Lee to the biographical committee. Bill's address is PO Box 321, La Feria, Texas 78559 and his code number will be L7.

Once Upon a Time in Mexico

I have been doing some research (at Bob Tholkes' suggestion) into the various Mexican cities that we list for births and deaths of ballplayers. Fred Lenger provided me with a very good website to go to for that. It can be found at <http://www.fallingrain.com/world/MX/>. The problem that exists with our data is that like the United States, Mexico is made up of different states, 32 of them to be exact. Several of our city names may be found in multiple states. These cities all have multiple city names in different states: Villa Union (2 states), Pozo Hondo (3 states), Santa Rosalia (2 states), Victoria (3 states), Tlalnepantla (2 states believe it or not), and Sonora (4 states). In other words, it would be equivalent to listing someone as being born in Springfield, USA. If anyone would like to take this on and determine which of the states these various ballplayers were born or died in, please let me know.

To Catch a Thief

Marshall Quinton played catcher, outfield, and shortstop for Richmond in 1884 and Philadelphia in 1885. He was born in Philadelphia and is shown in the 1870 Philadelphia census at age 18 with his father John, 50, who worked in a shoe factory, brother John, 23, brother Thomas, 20, sister Ida, 16, and brother, William, 14. He appears in the 1880 census in Albany listed as a ballplayer, age 28.

The Chicago Tribune of March 17, 1878 had an article that Quinton was sentenced to 3 months in a Guelph, Ontario jail for stealing a gun from a house of ill repute. (At least he wasn't on steroids.) In 1900 he was arrested in Trenton, New Jersey for stealing \$75 worth of wire. At that point he disappears, probably with the Guelph girls in hot pursuit. He isn't shown in any later census, although his brother John is in the Philadelphia census through 1920. His uncommon name should make him easy to find, but he is our *Mystery of the Month*.

Birthday List

Here are the nonagenarians celebrating birthdays in March and April.

March 1	Nick Strincevich	90
March 2	Ace Adams	93
March 15	Don Lang	90
April 1	Jake Wade	93
April 9	Howard Groskloss	99
April 14	Jack Radtke	92
April 15	Eddie Mayo	95
April 17	Robert Stevens	98

Scoreboard

CATEGORY	IN	OUT	PCT
Names	16268	55	99.663
Births	15677	646	96.042
Assumed Alive	7846		48.067
Deaths	8155	322	49.960
Bats	15054	1157	92.863
Throws	15277	934	94.238
Heights	15383	828	94.892
Weights	15344	867	94.652
Debut Dates	16323	0	100.000
Questionnaires	9985	6338	61.171
Total			92.3890

New Monthly Data

Questionnaires Received:

None

New Information Received:

DEBUT YR	NAME	CHANGE OR ADD	SOURCE
1995	Acevedo, Juan Carlos	B: <u>Ciudad Juarez</u> , Mexico	(C1)
1972	Acosta, Cecilio (Miranda)	B: <u>El Sabino</u> , Mexico	(C1)
2002	Amezaga, Alfredo (Delgado)	B: <u>Ciudad Obregon</u> , Mexico	(C1)
1906	Armbruster, Harry	Name: <u>Henry Gregory</u> Armbruster B: <u>Liverpool</u> , Ohio	(SE)
1884	Bauer, Albert	Height: <u>5-09</u> Weight: <u>190</u>	(C1)
1882	Bohn, Charles	B: <u>May 1856</u>	(M3)
1938	Boyles, Harry	D: <u>Jan 7 2005 McAllen, Texas</u> Cemetery: <u>Cremated</u>	(C1)
1912	Brief, Anthony Vincent	D: <u>Feb 11 1963</u>	(H6)
1965	Briles, Nelson Kelley	D: <u>Feb 13 2005 Orlando, Florida</u> Cemetery: <u>St. Clair Cemetery, Greensburg,</u> <u>Pennsylvania</u>	(C1)
1961	Cloninger, Tony Lee	B: <u>Lincoln County</u> , North Carolina	(N5)
1921	Collins, John Edgar	B: <u>May 4 1892</u>	(N5)
1921	Connally, George Walter	D: <u>Houston</u> , Texas	(N5)
1917	Couch, John Daniel	D: <u>Palo Alto</u> , California	(N5)
1902	Courtney, Edward Ernest	Cemetery: <u>Buffalo Cemetery, Cheektowaga,</u> <u>New York</u>	(V1)
1945	Cozart, Charles Rhubin	D: <u>Lenoir</u> , North Carolina Cemetery: <u>Blue Ridge Memorial Park, Lenoir,</u> <u>North Carolina</u>	(B6)
1917	Crum, Calvin N.	Debut: <u>May 4 1917</u>	(M5)
1902	Currie, Clarence Franklin	B: <u>Windsor</u> , Ontario	(H2)
1878	Dalrymple, Abner Frank	B: <u>Gratiot</u> , Wisconsin	(M3)
1914	Daringer, Rolla Harrison	B: <u>Hayden</u> , Indiana	(M3)
1934	Davis, Curtis Benton	D: <u>Oct 12 1965</u>	(N5)
1945	DeKoning, William Callahan	B: <u>Dec 19 1918</u>	(N5)
1905	Delahanty, Frank George	B: <u>Dec 29 1882</u>	(N5)
1912	Dell, William George	D: <u>Lone Pine</u> , California	(N5)
1999	Del Toro, Miguel	B: <u>Ciudad Obregon</u> , Mexico D: <u>Ciudad Obregon</u> , Mexico	(C1)
1890	Dewald, Charles H.	B: <u>Sep 22 1867</u>	(N5)
1935	Dickey, George Willard	D: <u>Jun 16 1976</u>	(N5)
1916	Divis, Edward George	Height: <u>5-06</u>	(SE)
1914	Dressen, Lee August	Name: <u>Leo</u> August Dressen	(M3)

1941	Edwards, Henry Albert	D: <u>Anaheim, California</u>	(N5)
1906	Eells, Harry Archibald	B: Feb 14 1880 <u>Danbury, Iowa</u> D: <u>Dec 7 1940</u> Cemetery: <u>Holy Cross Cemetery & Mausoleum, Culver City, California</u>	(N5)
1939	Elliott, Robert Irving	D: <u>San Diego, California</u>	(N5)
1998	Febles, Carlos Manuel	B: <u>Santa Cruz de El Seibo, Dominican Republic</u>	(T2)
1947	Fine, Thomas Morgan	D: <u>Jan 10 2005 Little Elm, Texas</u> Cemetery: <u>Rose Hill Cemetery, Cleburne, Texas</u>	(H9)
1927	Frankhouse, Frederick Meloy	Debut: Sep 7 1927	(S0)
1969	Geronimo, Cesar Francisco (Zorrilla)	B: <u>Santa Cruz de El Seibo, Dominican Republic</u>	(T2)
1884	Goldsby, Walton Hugh	Weight: <u>197</u>	(C1)
1947	Groth, Ernest William	D: <u>Dec 27 2004 Beaver, Pennsylvania</u>	(S3)
1967	Gutierrez, Cesar Dario	D: <u>Jan 22 2005 Maracaibo, Venezuela</u>	(C1)
1998	Hairston, Jerry Wayne, Jr.	B: <u>Des Moines, Iowa</u>	(F4)
1986	Heredia, Felix (Perez)	B: <u>Santa Cruz de Barahona, Dominican Republic</u>	(T2)
1934	Hockette, George Edward	Cemetery: <u>Lauderdale Memorial Park, Fort Lauderdale, Florida</u>	(B6)
1901	Hoffman, Lawrence Charles	B: Jul 18 1878 Height: <u>5-08</u> Weight: <u>175</u>	(SE)
1894	Hogan, Martin F.	B: <u>Wednesbury, England</u>	(T2)
1903	Holmes, Frederick C.	Height: <u>5-07</u> Weight: <u>145</u>	(SE)
1937	Huffman, Bennie F	Name: <u>Benjamin Franklin Huffman</u> D: <u>Feb 22 2005 Luray, Virginia</u>	(V1)
1914	Keupper, Henry J.	Name: Henry <u>John</u> Keupper	(SE)
1889	Ladew, Stephen	Name: Stephen <u>F.</u> Ladew	(A3)
1965	LeJohn, Donald Everett	D: <u>Feb 25 2005 California, Pennsylvania</u>	(C1)
2000	Lugo, Julio Cesar	B: <u>Santa Cruz de Barahona, Dominican Republic</u>	(T2)
1958	Mabe, Robert Lee	D: <u>Jan 9 2005 Danville, Virginia</u> Cemetery: <u>Highland Burial Park, Danville, Virginia</u>	(C1)
1989	Machado, Julio Segundo (Rondon)	B: <u>San Carlos del Zulia, Venezuela</u>	(T2)
1970	Martinez, Teodoro Noel (Encarnacion)	B: <u>Santa Cruz de Barahona, Dominican Republic</u>	(T2)
1999	Matos, Pascual (Cuevas)	B: <u>Santa Cruz de Barahona, Dominican Republic</u>	(T2)
1938	Mattick, Robert James	Cemetery: <u>Cremated</u>	(CL)
1994	Mercedes, Jose Miguel (Santana)	B: <u>Santa Cruz de El Seibo, Dominican Republic</u>	(T2)
1911	Miller, Walter W.	B: Oct 19 1883	(SE)
1954	Monzant, Ramon Segundo (Espino)	D: <u>Aug 10 2001 Maracaibo, Venezuela</u> Cemetery: <u>Cementerio de San Jose, Maracaibo, Venezuela</u>	(C1)

1981	Moreno, Angel (Veneroso)	B: <u>Veracruz, Mexico</u>	(C1)
1905	Munson, Clarence Hanford	Height: <u>5-11</u>	(SE)
1914	Piez, Charles William	B: <u>Oct 13 1888</u>	(M3)
1910	Pond, Ralph Benjamin	B: <u>May 4 1890</u> Height: <u>5-09</u>	(SE)
1999	Ramirez, Hector Bienvenido	B: <u>Santa Cruz de El Seibo, Dominican Republic</u>	(T2)
1981	Sanchez, Luis Mercedes Escoba	D: <u>Feb 4 2005 La Guaira, Venezuela</u>	(C1)
1940	Sanford, John Doward	D: <u>Jan 4 2005 Greensboro, North Carolina</u> Cemetery: <u>Evergreen Memorial Gardens, Wilson, North Carolina</u>	(C1)
1913	Scheer, Albert G.	Name: <u>Allen George Scheer</u> B: <u>Groveport, Ohio</u>	(SE)
1914	Scheeren, Frederick	D: <u>Kittaning, Pennsylvania</u>	(B6)
1910	Schneiberg, Frank Frederick	Name: Frank <u>Fred Schneiberg</u> B: <u>Mar 12 1881</u> Height: <u>6-01</u> Weight: <u>165</u>	(SE)
1906	Shannabrook, Warren H.	Name: Warren <u>Hilton Shannabrook</u>	(SE)
2003	Terrero, Luis Enrique	B: <u>Santa Cruz de Barahona, Dominican Republic</u>	(T2)
1997	Valdez, Mario A.	B: <u>Ciudad Obregon, Mexico</u>	(C1)
1954	Valentine, Harold Lewis	D: <u>Jan 21 2005 Roswell, Georgia</u> Cemetery: <u>Green Lawn Cemetery, Roswell, Georgia</u>	(C1)
1952	Varner, Glen Gann	D: <u>Apr 29 2000 Chattanooga, Tennessee</u> Cemetery: <u>Jackson Chapel Cemetery, Hixson, Tennessee</u>	(S3)
1942	Voiselle, William Symmes	D: <u>Jan 31 2005 Greenwood, South Carolina</u> Cemetery: <u>Elmwood Cemetery, Ninety Six, South Carolina</u>	(B6)
1902	Ward, John Andrew	Height: <u>5-07</u> Weight: <u>152</u>	(SE)
1902	Williams, Arthur Franklin	<u>BL</u>	(F4)
1871	Wood, James Leon	B: <u>Dec 1 1843 Canada</u>	(C1)