Peggy Moore Found

Frank (Peggy) Moore of the 1905 Pittsburgh Pirates and out May/June 1998 Mystery of the Month has been found by Jim Holl. Jim identified the player through newspaper accounts and tracked down Moore’s family. He discovered that Moore was born September 12, 1877 in Dover, Ohio and died May 20, 1964 in Portsmouth, Ohio. For this, Jim wins this month’s Find of the Month award.

New Members

Please welcome Jim Holl to the biographical committee. Jim’s address is 509 Pershing SE, North Canton, Ohio 44720 and Jim’s code number will be H5.

A Request For Help

Fred Lenger, who has done a marvelous job of identifying places of birth and death of major league players, would like some help locating communities with multiple names within the state. The player, city, and counties are listed below:

George Glenn Bell, Greenwood, NY (Kings, Steuben)
William Hanon Bruton, Panola AL (Crenshaw, Sumter)
Luscious Luke Easter, Jonestown, MS (Coahoma, Yazoo)
Earl Calvin Smith, Sunnyside WA (Snohomish, Yakima)
Arthur Lee Wilson, Springfield, AL (Clarke, Elmore, Lauderdale, Randolph)

Fred would also like someone to help him identify the provinces that certain towns in the Dominican Republic are located. Fred’s address is 2952 Green Meadow Drive #8, Jenison, Michigan 49428 and his e-mail is flenger@usxchange.net.

Convention Report

Our committee meeting in Phoenix was not as well-attended as some of our past meetings but we had some interesting discussion. For those of you who weren’t there, you missed a no-hitter.

The main item is that I need somebody to be my vice-chair. I would like it to be someone with a computer so you can store a backup copy of the database. I would also like to redesign the database and convert it to Microsoft Access, if you would like to help with that. And if I decide in 50 years or so to step down as committee chairman, you can take over as chairman. I’ll be awaiting the flood of volunteers.

A Ball From a Missing Player

Richard Malatzky found the following passage in a book about Baltimore baseball:

"By now, authentic baseball artifacts from 1870 or earlier are of extreme rarity. Then, when a single baseball sufficed for all 9 innings, it was customary to present it to the game winners, who if in funds would have it shellacked and lettered with team names, date, and score. Such a baseball, sewn from a single piece of leather, descended in the family of Wally Goldsmith of the Maryland. It was then presented to the Babe Ruth Museum by Lloyd Kirkley. The ball commemorates a victory over the New York Mutuals, on a date no longer legible."

Selko Notes

Jamie Selko sent along one couple of interesting tidbits of information. Jim Golden once struck out 34 batters in a 14 inning game when he was a senior in high school. In the state championship
game that year (1954), he struck out 20 in 7 innings; the other out was a ground ball back to the mound. Ron Kline pitched 5 consecutive no-hitters his senior year in high school, two of which were perfect games. Jim Greengrass lettered in 5 sports in high school, football, baseball, track, soccer, and tennis.

**Birthday List**

There are several nonagenarians celebrating birthdays in July and August. Make sure you send a card.

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**A Gray Area**

A player we list as James D. Gray played second base for Pittsburgh in the Players League June 17-18, 1890. Joe Simenic found three different notes on Gray in the June 21, 1890 issue of *Sporting Life*.

On page 3, it says, "Owing to Robinson's injury, Pittsburgh put an amateur named Gray at second, and while he is credited with three errors, he also made several brilliant plays and batted hard."

On page 5, it says, "Jimmy Gray, who is playing second for Pittsburgh in place of Robinson, disabled, will be one of the best second basemen in the profession if he continues. He has done great work, now that he has got over nervousness in the first game."

Then on page 12, it says, All of the Allegheny city officials are talking of the brilliant debut with Hanlon's team made by the well-known former professional, Jim Gray. Gray has not played professionally since he was with Syracuse in 1887, and has been employed in the city engineer's office."

So is the guy the same as James W. Gray who played with Pittsburgh in 1884 or someone else entirely? Would someone like to research this? This is our Mystery of the Month.
## The Scoreboard

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New Monthly Data

Questionnaires Received:
None

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1950 Adcock, Joseph Wilbur
       D: May 3 1999
       Coushatta, Louisiana

1914 Alcock, John Forbes
1914 Baichley, Grover Cleveland  
       D: Jan 30 1973
       (T1)
       D: Jun 28 1956
       (D7)
       Height: 5-08

1926 Barnes, John Francis
1909 Cantwell, Thomas Aloysius
1950 Consuegra, Sandalio Simeon (Castello)
1913 Covington, Clarence Otto
       B: Jan 31 1900
       (D7)
       BR
       (D7)
       Name: Clarence Calvert Covington
       B: Nov 18 1894
       Denison, Texas

1929 Dondaro, Leonard Peter
       D: Jan 1 1999
       Fremont, California

1928 Dorman, Dwight Dexter
1872 Fletcher, George Horace Elliott
       Name: Charles Dwight Dorman
       (S1)
       D: Jun 18 1879
       Brooklyn, New York
       (M3)

1956 Garber, Robert Mitchell
       D: Jun 7 1999
       Redwood, California
       (PP)

1953 Giordano, Thomas Arthur
1893 Graff, John F.
       Real Name: Carmine Arthur Giordano
       (D7)
       Name: John L. Graff
       B: Nov 1866
       Washington, D.C.
       (M3)
       D: Apr 2 1932
       Washington, D.C.

1990 Layana, Timothy Joseph
       B: Oct 8 1884
       Bakersfield, California
       (D7)
       Name: Carl Frederick Rudolf Merkle
       (X7)
       B: Frankford, Pennsylvania
       (L5)
       Name: Frank L. Moore
       B: Sep 12 1877
       Dover, Ohio
       (H5)
       D: May 20 1964
       Portsmouth, Ohio
       BRTR

1883 Morgan, William
       B: 1856
       Brooklyn, New York
       (M3)
       D: Sep 9 1908
       New York, New York

1908 Nelson, Andrew A.
1901 O'Neill, Michael Joyce
1895 Preston, Walter B.
       B: Nov 30 1884
       (T2)
       B: Maam, Ireland
       (D7)
       D: Dec 23 1937
       New Orleans, Louisiana

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1890 Rogers, Emmett E.  
1875 Seward, George E.  

1943 Stanky, Edward Raymond  
B: Otsego, New York  
Name: George T. Seward  
D: Mar 28, 1904  
St. Louis, Missouri  
D: Jun 6, 1999  
Fairhope, Alabama  

1928 Sumner, Carl Ringdahl  
D: Feb 8, 1999  
Chatham, Massachusetts  

1921 Twombly, Edwin Parker  
1995 Valdez, Carlos Luis (Lorenzo)  
1920 Wilson, William Clarence  
1938 Wittig, John Carl  

B: Nazio, Dominican Republic  
D: Leesburg, Florida  
D: Feb 24, 1999  
Nassawadox, Virginia