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A Change to Piano Legs

I realize this isn't much of a *Find of the Month*, but it's all we've got. At least it gives me a chance to put the name Piano Legs into a headline. We changed the birthdate of Charles "Piano Legs" Hickman from May 4, 1876 to March 4, 1876. This was an old typo as virtually every source you see online shows a March birthdate.

Convention

It was nice seeing everyone at the convention, especially since we hadn't gotten together since 2019. Thank you to Paul Scimonelli who gave a very nice presentation, the first one we have ever had during a committee meeting. I do think if we have a speaker, we might want to see of we can have more than an hour for the meeting, so neither the committee meeting nor the speaker get rushed.

Fred Osborne

You will Notice that I now list the birthplace of Fred Osborne as simply Canada rather than the province of Alberta. There is no evidence that Osborne was born in Alberta. The 1870 census lists Canada East as his birth place. That eventually became Quebec. The 1900 census shows Canada (Eng), typically used to describe Ontario. Until we find something more concrete, I will just list Canada as his place of birth.

First Out

Back in the early 1990s, I published a list of the first players to die from each debut year and I entitled it First Out. I was asked to update that list, so he is the list of players beginning with the debut year of 1971 and going through 2014. Nobody has died who debuted in 2011 or after 2014.

First Out By Year	
Year	**Player**
1971	2000/01/04 John Milner
1972	1984/08/14 Lynn McGlothen
1973	1980/07/08 Wenty Ford
1974	1982/04/09 Francisco Barrios
1975	1977/01/06 Mike Miley
1976	1980/06/12 Dan Thomas
1977	1990/11/23 Bo Diaz
1978	2003/01/27 Bob Kammeyer

First Out By Year	
Year	Player
1979	1981/11/15 Steve Macko
1980	1986/12/20 Joe DeSa
1981	1991/01/06 Alan Wiggins
1982	1989/06/18 Steve Senteney
1983	2003/10/14 Wil Culmer
1984	1988/10/13 Ramon Romero
1985	1995/04/28 Gus Polidor
1986	2012/06/24 Darrel Akerfelds
1987	1993/03/23 Tim Crews
1988	2006/01/24 Carlos Martinez
1989	1993/03/22 Steve Olin
1990	1993/11/04 Cliff Young
1991	2002/06/22 Darryl Kile
1992	1995/11/30 William Suero
1993	2008/10/11 Kevin Foster
1994	1997/12/22 Jose Oliva
1995	1999/02/28 Ken Robinson
1996	2013/10/22 Mark Small
1997	2001/06/25 John LeRoy
1998	2009/10/05 Brian Powell
1999	2001/10/06 Miguel Del Toro
2000	2016/06/07 Ruben Quevedo
2001	2005/10/03 Mario Encarnacion
2002	2003/02/17 Steve Bechler
2003	2003/11/05 Dernell Stenson
2004	2014/10/31 Brad Halsey
2005	2015/09/19 Walter Young
2006	2016/10/04 Doug Slaten
2007	2021/03/14 Eulogio de la Cruz
2008	2009/04/09 Nick Adenhart
2009	2015/11/09 Tommy Hanson
2010	2011/11/21 Greg Halman
2012	2019/07/01 Tyler Skaggs
2013	2016/09/25 Jose Fernandez
2014	2014/10/26 Oscar Taveras

A Mystery Player

On September 17, 1915, a player named Edwards debuted at second base for the Philadelphia Athletics. We list this player as Ralph Strunk Edwards from Brewster, New York. This is almost certainly wrong. Philadelphia newspapers say this player is from the Chicago city league and one paper stated that it is believed he is a collegian playing under an assumed name. That will make him a bit of a challenge to find. Edwards is certainly worthy of being our *Mystery of the Month*.

Birthday List

Here are the nonagenarians celebrating birthdays in September and October.

September 3	Bill Greason	98
September 6	Stan Pawloski	91
September 9	Ed Mickelson	96
September 14	Dave Hillman	95
September 22	Bob Harrison	92
September 22	Ken Aspromonte	91
September 26	Bobby Shantz	97
September 27	Dick Hall	92
October 1	Fred Kipp	91
October 2	Maury Wills	90
October 3	Chris Haughey	97
October 3	Bill Harrington	95
October 3	Bob Skinner	91
October 4	Bob Kelly	95
October 6	Fred Marolewski	94
October 7	Bud Daley	90
October 11	Gary Blaylock	91
October 15	Gail Henley	94
October 15	Don Robertson	92
October 19	Don Leppert	91
October 20	Mickey Micelotta	94

Scoreboard

CATEGORY	IN	OUT	PCT
Names	20258	38	99.813
Births	19820	476	97.654
Deaths	9986	153	99.241
Bats	19094	1073	94.679
Throws	19301	866	95.706
Heights	19528	639	96.831
Weights	19448	719	96.435
Debut Dates	20296	0	100.000
Questionnaires	9979	10317	49.167
Total			92.1536

New Monthly Data

Questionnaires Received:

None

New Information Received:

DEBUT YR	NAME	CHANGE OR ADD	SOURCE
2018	Almonte, Yency	BR **Source: mlb**	(P1)
1922	Bedgood, Phillip Burlette	D: May 8 1927 **Source: Miami Herald**	(C1)
1971	Bell, Jerry Houston	B: Old Hickory, Tennessee **Source: Jerry Bell**	(C1)
1989	Bell, Juan (Mathey)	Cemetery: Cementerio Municipal, San Pedro de Macoris, San Pedro de Macoris, Dominican Republic **Source: Diario Libre**	(C1)
1871	Bellan, Stephen B.	Cemetery: Christopher Columbus Cemetery, Havana, Cuba **Source: Family**	(C1)
1969	Burbach, William David	D: Jul 20 2022 Elizabethton, Tennessee **Source: Funeral home**	(C1)
1955	Burnside, Peter Willits	D: Aug 26 2022 Wilmette, Illinois **Source: Funeral home**	(C1)
1958	Conley, Robert Burns	D: Feb 14 2022 Whiting, New Jersey **Source: Philadelphia Phillies**	(C1)
1985	Davis, Steven Kennon	D: Sep 28 2021 Benbrook, Texas **Source: Funeral home**	(C1)
2017	Evans, Phillip Matthew	Name: Phillip Mathew Evans B: Whittier, California **Source: mlb**	(C1)
1972	Frailing, Kenneth Douglas	D: Aug 25 2022 Sarasota, Florida **Source: Friend**	(C1)
1972	Gamble, John Robert	D: Sep 1 2022 Orovada, Nevada **Source: Funeral home**	(C1)
1897	Hickman, Charles Taylor	B: Mar 4 1876 **Source: WWI draft registration**	(C1)
2018	Howard, Sam James	Height: 6-04 Weight: 195 **Source: mlb**	(H9)
1965	Jackson, Grant Dwight	Cemetery: Cremated **Source: Funeral home**	(C1)
1978	James, Robert Harvey	B: Aug 15 1958 **Source: California birth index**	(C1)
1965	Kernek, George Boyd	D: Aug 14 2022 Purcell, Oklahoma **Source: Purcell Register**	(C1)
2016	Kuhl, Chad Michael	B: Newark, Delaware **Source: mlb**	(H9)
1973	Littell, Mark Alan	D: Sep 5 2022 St. Louis, Missouri Cemetery: Bellefontaine Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri **Source: Funeral home**	(C1)

1965	Locker, Robert Awtry	D: Aug 15 2022 Bozeman, Montana **Source: Funeral home**	(C1)
2012	Miller, Shelby Charles	B: Round Rock, Texas **Source: mlb**	(H9)
1961	Olivo, Federico Emilio (Maldonado)	B: Mar 18 1926 **Source: Passport**	(B2)
1890	Osborne, Frederick W.	B: Canada **Source: 1870, 1900 census**	(MC)
2018	Perez, Cionel Felix	BR **Source: mlb**	(P1)
1970	Ramirez, Milton (Barboza)	D: Aug 18 2022 Mayaguez, Puerto Rico **Source: American Congress of Puerto Rico**	(C1)
1979	Remmerswaal, Wilhelmus Abraham	D: Jul 24 2022 The Hague, Netherlands **Source: Parma baseball club**	(C1)
1962	Rippelmeyer, Raymond Roy	D: Sep 9 2022 Waterloo, Illinois Cemetery: St. John Cemetery, Valmeyer, Illinois **Source: Funeral home**	(C1)
1952	Senerchia, Emanuel Robert	B: Apr 6 1929 **Source: Wife, 1930 census**	(C1)
2020	Skubal, Tarik Daniel	BR **Source: mlb**	(P1)
1989	Smith, John Dwight, Sr.	D: Jul 22 2022 Peachtree City, Georgia **Source: Atlanta Braves**	(C1)
1961	Thomas, James Leroy	D: Aug 31 2022 St. Louis, Missouri Cemetery: Resurrection Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri **Source: Funeral home**	(C1)
1980	Valdez, Julio Julian Castillo	D: Jul 24 2022 Nizao, Bani, Dominican Republic Cemetery: Cementerio Municipal, Nizao, Bani, Dominican Republic **Source: Prensa y Gente**	(C1)
2010	Varvaro, Anthony Michael	D: Sep 11 2022 Jersey City, New Jersey **Source: nj.com**	(C1)
2018	Wisdom, Patrick Ian	Name: Patrick Ian-Cashel Wisdom **Source: mlb**	(H9)
1974	Wockenfuss, Johnny Bilton	D: Aug 19 2022 Wilmington, Delaware **Source: Funeral home**	(C1)
2020	Yajure, Miguel Angel (Aguilera)	Weight: 215 **Source: mlb**	(H9)
1974	Zamora, Oscar Jose (Sosa)	B: Sep 23 1943 **Source: Passport**	(B2)