

Five years ago this week, Agnes paid us a visit. Nobody invited her, and her behavior was not at all lady-like. Agnes had a short, tempestuous and famous career. She was born in the Caribbean, took the U.S. by storm a few days later, and froze to death in the North Atlantic within another two weeks. Happy anniversary, Agnes, and rest in peace.

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FIFTEEN CENTS



Joi Shearer

Joi Shearer is Miss Mount Joy

Kim Lauver passed on her crown to Joi Shearer last Saturday. **STORY ON PAGE 3.**

Marietta Council rejects curbing bids

Last Tuesday the Marietta Borough Council rejected two bids on installation of curbing on Front Street. The vote 4 to 2.

Resurfacing will be held up until the curbs are installed.

The residents of Longenecker Avenue sent a letter to Council, objecting to the road repair on their street. They claim that proper provisions for rain run-off are not being made. The letter stated that they were not protesting the new curbs, but the drainage situation. The letter was read by Marlin McMillen.

Four dwellings were declared public nuisances. Other properties were declared safety hazards.

The Housing Committee received permission to ask the Lancaster Redevelopment Authority to renovate vacant and sub-standard buildings in Marietta. In Lancaster the Authority has hired contractors to rebuild such houses that they have bought, selling them at a profit.

The Lions Club requested that the fence around the field in Memorial Park be repaired. Council agreed.

Councilman John Hinkle's term will expire this year. The seat will be filled by special election provisions next November. Borough offices will be closed during elections.

Stan Curry stopped in US Jr. Olympic team eliminations

Stan Curry went to Knoxville, Tennessee last weekend, where he tried out for the Junior Olympics in Moscow. This time, he didn't make it.

The meet established Stan as the 3d fastest 440 man 18 or under, and the 7th fastest man 19 or under, in the United States. Unfortunately, only the 2 fastest runners under

the 2 fastest runners 19 years old or younger get the ride to Moscow.

The Knoxville meet marked the first time that Stan has competed against college freshmen. He finished 7th. "His time was good," said coach Rudy Milovanovic, "but the competition was very tough." He expects Stan to keep improving over the next few years.

Stan will run again on July 2d or 3d at Gettysburg, at an international friendship meet there. He will compete against Germans instead of Russians. There is another meet scheduled in Richmond, VA.

4 mill tax hike official now

Donegal School Board approved its final budget for the 1977-78 school year Thursday night, but stated that if increased state subsidy payments are received it will attempt to reduce borrowing or cut taxes.

The district's final budget is unchanged from its preliminary budget of \$4.5 million announced earlier. The new budget us up 14 per cent from the current year.

A four mill real estate tax increase is included in the new budget brining the district's total real estate levy to 103 mills.



Thelma and Howard Sutter

Bruce Sutter—baseball star

Suddenly, Bruce Sutter is the big news in major league baseball.

Bruce, a native of Mount Joy, joined the Chicago Cubs in early 1976, after a few years in the minors. He was rookie of the year by the end of it. He is now being called, "the greatest relief pitcher of all time."

Why relief? He hurt his arm in 1973 when he threw a fastball. He can't pitch entire games now, but when he does throw the ball, he's very good.

Chicago Cubs manager Herbert Frank says, "I never saw a relief pitcher with that kind of control." According to Pete Rose, Bruce's pitches are "just about impossible to hit." Dick Williams of the Expos thinks he's the "best in the league," and Chuck Tanner of the Pirates put it this way: "He doesn't monkey around."

Four years ago, Bruce Sutter was in the low minors. When he hurt his arm, he became discouraged and thought of quitting baseball. Fortunately, he found two people who could help him.

One was Dr. Charles Winter of Lancaster, who operated on Bruce's elbow. Although he'll never be quite the same, he can pitch a limited amount, at a slower speed than before. Prior to the accident,

Bruce's best pitch was the fastball.

The other was Fred Martin, a Cubs pitching instructor. He taught Bruce the "forkball" throw which is his trademark and his opponents' nemesis. The forkball acts like the illegal spitball, dropping quickly after a level flight. Batters compare it to a ball rolling off of a table. Bruce does it legally by holding the ball between his index and middle fingers—hence the name, "forkball." This tricky pitch, together with his superb control, have made Bruce almost unbeatable.

The beginnings of Bruce Sutter's success can be traced to his father, Howard, who lives at 956 Wood Street, Mount Joy. The Times visited Howard and his wife Thelma to get their comments.

As a boy, Bruce played ball every evening with his dad in their front yard. Did Howard teach Bruce to pitch? "No, I just kept him active," the elder Sutter replies.

The Sutters are obviously very proud of their son. Their living room contains trophies and a painting of Bruce, done in 1972 when he first joined the Cubs organization. Two of the trophies are from the Cubs; one is for Rookie of the year, and one is for "Rolaid's Relief Man."

The balance, from his Donegal High days, display his versatility. They were awarded him for football, basketball, and golf, as well as baseball.

Despite the awards, Thelma is prouder of her son's personality than of his athletic ability. "He's still the same, in spite of all this publicity," she told us. "He still has time for time for his old friends." Bruce calls his parents regularly from Chicago.

Their son's sudden rise to fame took his folks by surprise. "I didn't expect it to happen so fast," says Thelma. "Who knows what next year will bring?"

The Sutters told us that they don't want a lot of publicity. They don't want people to recognise them when they go to Chicago to watch Bruce pitch.

There is one person who goes to Cubs games who would recognize them regardless of publicity: Bruce's wife, the former Jayme Shank of Maytown. She helps Bruce out by keeping her fingers crossed during the time he pitches.

"He's very calm about everything, but I get very nervous," she says. Jayme started this practice in Texas, and is afraid to stop: "I know his ability got him this far, but I keep thinking maybe my fingers have something to do with it, too."