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Big Jim Weaver

Less than one month after being traded from the Chicago Cubs to the Pittsburgh Pirates, 31-year-old pitcher Jim Weaver travels from his home in Fulton, Kentucky to the Steel City to sign his contract with his new team.

Coming off a 13-9 season splitting time between the St. Louis Browns (2-0) and the Cubs (11-9), Brewer, pitcher Guy Bush and outfielder Babe Herman are traded to Corsairs for pitcher Larry French and outfielder Freddie Lindstrom.

The 6-foot-6, 230-pound righthander is no fan of night baseball.

"I'm tickled to be with you," Brewer tells Pirates' President Bill Benswanger. "I'm also glad to learn the Pirates are opposed to night baseball. It was played much of the time when I was in the International League with Newark. One night a fast line drive struck me beneath the chin. Believe me, night baseball is dangerous."

Brewer responds to his new surroundings, going 36-21 with a 3.76 ERA in three seasons (1935-1937) with the Bucs, including back-to-back 14-8 seasons in 1935 and 1936.

<http://www.baseball-reference.com/players/w/weaveji01.shtml>



Jim Weaver
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