

SPORTS

Weaver nearly no hits Indians as slide continues

DETROIT (AP) — Forget the one-hitter. Jeff Weaver wanted to talk about the red-hit Detroit Tigers.

Weaver took a no-hit bid into the eighth inning and finished with a one-hitter to lead the Tigers over the Cleveland Indians 2-0 Wednesday night.

The Tigers have won six in a row for the first time since Aug. 13 to 19, 2000, and those six victories mark the team's longest home winning streak since it played at Tiger Stadium in 1995.

Detroit is 17-16 after an 0-11 start, and that pleases Weaver more than his outstanding outing. "The only way we're going to be able to climb back is to rattle off 10, 11 or 12 in a row," Weaver said. "We've got a good start at that. ... But no matter how well you play, you still have that 0-11 start. It's tough to dig out of, but if we keep trying like we are, in the next month or so, we'll be closer to .500."

Detroit took all three games in the series for its first sweep of the

Indians since June 28 to 30, 1991.

While the Tigers have been respectable since their awful start, Cleveland has struggled since beginning the season strongly.

The Indians have lost six of seven while averaging just 2.3 runs per game, and are 9-25 since beginning the season with an 11-1 mark.

"I sit here every day, I cuss, and I rave and I do a little bit of everything," Cleveland manager Charlie Manuel said. "You guys may not see it, but I do it."

Weaver held the Indians hitless until Chris Magruder, making his Indians debut, doubled off the right-field wall past a lunging Craig Paquette with two out in the eighth.

"It's pretty bittersweet," Magruder said.

Magruder and Weaver were roommates on Team USA in the 1997 Intercontinental Cup and played against each other in college.

"Hopefully, I won him a spot in

center field," Weaver joked.

Paquette, who was starting in the outfield for the first time this year after playing mostly at third base, was not disappointed by his effort on Magruder's hit. His manager also defended him.

"No matter who was playing there, that was a hit," Detroit manager Luis Pujols said.

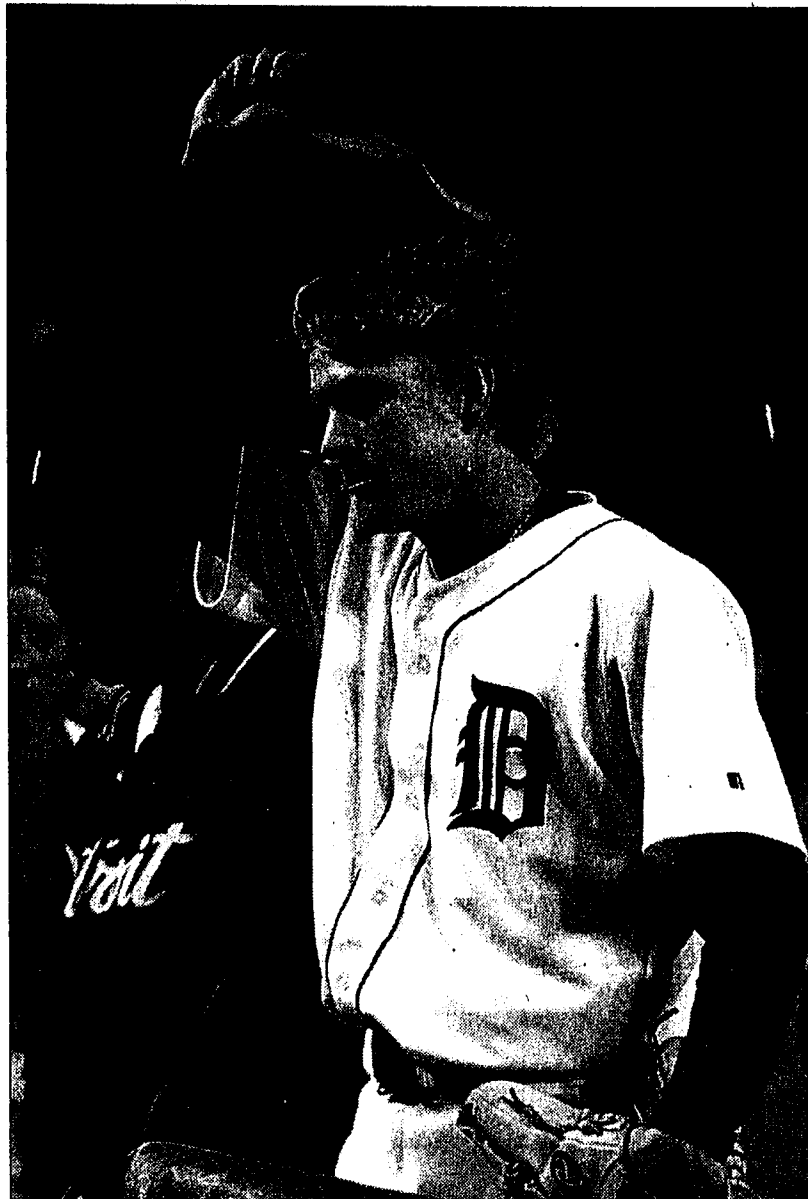
Weaver (4-5) struck out a season-high 11, walked two and hit two batters in his second complete game of the season.

The 25-year-old right-hander had never given up fewer than three hits in a game.

He hasn't allowed a homer in 71 innings this season, for the majors' longest streak since Heathcliff Slocumb went 72 1-3 innings at the start of the 1994 season.

A Detroit pitcher hasn't gone that long without yielding a home run since Mark "The Bird" Fidrych went 66 innings in 1977.

The last Tigers pitcher to throw a no-hitter was Jack Morris in 1984.



Tigers pitcher Jeff Weaver tips his cap while leaving the field after throwing a one-hitter Wednesday in Detroit's 2-0 win over the Indians at Comerica Park.

MATT
ROCHE

Daily
Days



Browns not doing much in Europe

The 2002 NFL Europe season is six weeks old, but none of the seven Browns playing over there has really established himself as a star in the developmental league.

That doesn't bode well for the magnificent seven.

In each of the last two seasons, one or two Browns enjoyed prominence in NFL Europe, posting gaudy numbers and coming back to Ohio with high hopes. Of course, none made it.

In 2000, receiver Damon Dunn finished first or second in several categories, but battled lingering injuries plagued him in training camp and he was cut before the Jets. Dunn played briefly for the Jets that year before returning for a cup of coffee with Cleveland. He is currently is not on any roster.

Last year, quarterback Spurgeon Wynn and receiver Drew O'Connor teamed up with Amsterdam. Wynn led the league in most QB stats, while O'Connor posted good numbers until an injury hampered his performance down the stretch. Despite that, O'Connor was cut in training camp and Wynn was shipped to Minnesota in a trade.

So, if those guys can't make it with the Browns, the mediocre players shouldn't get their hopes up.

Here's a roundup of the season:

■ Running back Carl Fair leads the Barcelona Dragons in rushing with 48 carries for 256 yards (a 5.3 average) and has 10 receptions for 55 yards (5.5 average). (Not exactly feature back material.)

■ Cecil Caldwell is a starting defensive tackle for the Berlin Thunder. He has 13 tackles and two sacks. (Gerard Warren's job appears to be safe.)

■ University of Miami product Michael Smith is the starting strong-side linebacker for the Frankfurt Galaxy. He has totaled nine tackles, two passes defended, a sack, an interception and a forced fumble. (His alma mater gives Smith a leg up in his quest for a backup job in Cleveland. Unfortunately for Smith, the Browns drafted three linebackers.)

■ Smith's teammate with the Galaxy, tight end Chris Eitzmann, has started four of his team's six games. He has seven receptions for 64 yards. (Last year, tight end Rod Monroe posted meager numbers in NFL Europe and got cut by the Browns in training camp. However, after injuries mounted, Monroe rejoined the team and saw late-season action. So there's hope for Eitzmann.)

■ Defensive back Earthwind Moreland has emerged as a starter for the Rhein Fire. He has 18 tackles, including 12 solo, a team-high seven passes defended and one interception. (He also is a shoe-in on the NFL all-time team.)

■ Moreland's teammate on the Fire, defensive tackle Devone Claybrooks has three tackles, an interception and three passes defended. (Again, Warren need not worry.)

■ Finally, receiver Kwame Cavil is playing for the Scottish Claymores. He saw his first start last week and caught a 6-yard pass. He has a total of four receptions for 49 yards. (Considering the Browns' depth at receiver, the team ought to save the air fare and let Cavil stay in Europe until the 2003 spring season.)

OVER HERE: Meanwhile, the rest of the Browns are participating in the 14-day "quarterback school."

The practices are closed to the public and media.

However, "quarterback school" is basically just regular practice in the off season. It's voluntary, because of league and union restrictions, but you can bet coach Butch Davis won't look favorably on the guys who skip the sessions.

The team has seven Quarterback School practices remaining: Today, May 28 to 30, and June 4 to 6. Players report for minicamp on the evening of June 10 and minicamp runs June 11-13.

STAT OF THE WEEK: Fair ranks eighth in NFL Europe in rushing, the Browns' highest player in a major category.

Matt Roche is the Reflector's news editor. His column appears Thursdays.

Two ex-CSU athletes arrested

CLEVELAND (AP) — Police say they solved the armed robbery of Cleveland Indians pitcher C.C. Sabathia when they arrested former Cleveland State University basketball players Jamaal Harris and Damon Stringer.

Both men were arrested Wednesday without incident. They were jailed and are awaiting a court appearance Friday on one

count each of aggravated robbery.

Police Sgt. Donna Bell said Stringer, also a former Ohio State player, was arrested in Cleveland and Harris, 23, was arrested in nearby Cleveland Heights.

Their homes were searched and evidence was seized, said Bell, who did not provide details of the seizures. She attributed the arrests to "investigative techniques."

Police had reviewed surveillance

tapes from a Marriott hotel after the holdup. No one was injured in the robbery last Friday morning at the hotel. Sabathia was aware that warrants had been issued but hadn't been given the identities of the suspects, an Indians spokesman said Wednesday night in Detroit, where the Tigers beat the Indians 2-0.

FC JUNIOR HIGH TRACK AND FIELD MEET

BOYS
Team Scores: Crestview 107, Western Reserve 71, Shiloh 68, Monroeville 62, New London 39, Mapleton 36, St. Paul 31, South Central 19.
Pole vault: 1. Essenmacher (NL), 8-0; 2. (tie) Culross (Map), Plenums (P), 7-0; 4. Hess (Map), 7-0; 5. Dickerson (C), 6-6.
Shot put: 1. Fries (Mv), 47-4 3/4; 2. Howell (C), 46-7 3/4; 3. Peyton (C), 41-1 3/4; 4. Anderson (Map), 41-0; 5. Griffin (NL), 40-3; 6. Patrick (WR), 40-1.
Long jump: 1. Pierce (Mv), 17-1; 2. Stoll (SP), 16-11 3/4; 3. Bore (Mv), 16-5; 4. Martineau (WR), 16-1; 5. Cook (C), 15-6; 6. Cutlip (Map), 15-4 1/2.
110 hurdles: 1. Boswell (SC), 18-8; 2. (tie)

Bishop (P), Myers (S), 18-9; 4. White (C), 19-0; 5. Gordon (WR), 19-6; 6. Held (NL), 19-7.
400: 1. LaCroix (P), 12-1; 2. Pierce (Mv), 12-3; 3. Elliott (WR), 12-3; 4. Fulk (C), 12-9; 5. Cutlip (Map), 13-0; 6. Stoll (SP), 13-1.
1600: 1. Ringler (C), 5-10; 2. Zimmerman (WR), 5-13; 3. Hackney (SC), 5-20; 1; 4. Rice (Map), 5-22; 5. Martz (WR), 5-28; 6. McCarron (C), 5-32.
400 relay: 1. Plymouth (Kilgore, Miller, Bishop, LaCroix), 50-4; 2. Western Reserve, 50-8; 3. New London, 52-4; 4. Crestview, 52-5; 5. St. Paul, 53-0; 6. Monroeville, 53-1.
400: 1. Kilgore (P), 55-3; 2. Fulk (C), 57-3; 3. Glenn (C), 59-9; 4. Miller (P), 1-01-6; 5. Collins (NL), 1-01-7; 6. Hipp (SP), 1-03-8.
200 hurdles: 1. Hult (C), 28-67; 2. Thayer

(WR), 29-9; 3. Bishop (P), 30-0; 4. White (Mv), 30-4; 5. See (C), 30-5; 6. Roswell (SC), 30-6.
800: 1. Ringler (C), 2-17; 2. Zimmerman (WR), 2-25-8; 3. Wilhelm (Mv), 2-25-9; 4. Rice (Map), 2-26-1; 5. Martz (WR), 2-28-4; 6. Hackney (SC), 2-28-8.
1600: 1. Fries (Mv), 14-1; 2. Griffin (NL), 12-9-2 1/2; 3. Anderson (Map), 12-10 3/4; 4. Howell (C), 11-4-3 1/2; 5. Collins (NL), 10-9-6; 6. Johnston (SC), 10-8-4 1/2.
200: 1. Kilgore (P), 24-9; 2. Patrick (WR), 25-9; 3. Hult (C), 26-1; 4. Stoll (SP), 26-6; 5. Cutlip (Map), 26-7; 6. Furr (P), 26-9.
1600 relay: 1. 1. Crestview (Ringler, Carey, Glenn, Fulk), 4-03-4; 2. New London, 4-14-3; 3. Western Reserve, 4-20-2; 4. St. Paul, 4-21-1; 5. Mapleton, 4-31-5; 6. Monroeville, 4-35-6.

High jump: 1. LaCroix, 5-2; 2. Thayer, 5-2; 3. Bore (Mv), 5-0; 4. Margaritis (SP), 5-0; 5. Cook (C), 5-0; 6. See (C), 6-0.

GIRLS
Team scores: Crestview .90, Western Reserve .85, New London .68, Shiloh .55, Mapleton .51, Monroeville .43, St. Paul .39, South Central .2.
100 hurdles: 1. LaCroix (P), 18-3; 2. McPeak (WR), 18-4; 3. Swiger (NL), 18-5; 4. Schaffer (Mv), 18-7; 5. Thompson (NL), 19-5; 6. Palmer (WR), 19-8.
400: 1. Crum (SP), 13-7; 2. Randleman (NL), 13-7; 3. Cross (NL), 14-1; 4. Jones (WR), 14-3; 5. (tie) Swineford (Map), Heeden (P), 14-4.
800: 1. Fritz (SP), 87-7; 2. Eichelberger (C), 86-1; 3. Birchel (C), 84-7; 4. Nickoll (SP), 77-0; 5. Barnes (WR), 73-1; 6. Stoller (P), 72-10 1/2.
High jump: 1. Heeden (P), 4-10; 2. Patrick (WR), 4-8; 3. Gault (Map), 4-8; 4. Lawhorn (C), 4-6; 5. Barre (SC), 4-4; 6. (tie) McDowell (Map), Hamett (P), 4-4.
1600: 1. McCarron (C), 5-46-2; 2. Sidell (WR), 5-47; 3. Mastrolanni (Mv), 6-01-1; 4. Meyer (Map), 6-03; 5. Wuensch (NL), 6-20; 6. Schaffer (Mv), 6-21.
400 relay: 1. Crestview (Eichelberger, Walters, Mutsch, Mack), 56-4; 2. Mapleton, 56-9;

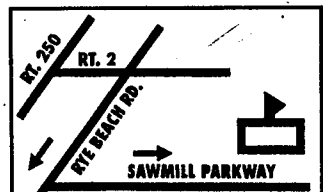
3. Western Reserve, 57-2; 4. Plymouth, 57-5; 5. Monroeville, 57-6; 6. New London, 59-5.
400: 1. Tinney (WR), 60-9; 2. Shepherd (NL), 1-06-5; 3. Plice (Map), 1-07-2; 4. Crum (SP), 1-07-7; 5. Ryan (Mv), 1-08-5; 6. Keaton (P), 1-11-9.
800 relay: 1. Mapleton (Krause, Swineford, Stelskal, Callahan), 1-59-8; 2. Western Reserve, 2-03-2; 3. Monroeville, 2-04-2; 4. Crestview, 2-05-6; 5. Plymouth, 2-08-5; 6. New London, 2-10-7.
200 hurdles: 1. Chafins (P), 34-1; 2. LaCroix (P), 34-6; 3. Watson (C), 35-5; 4. Schaffer (Mv), 35-8; 5. Palmer (WR), 36-4; 6. Swiger (NL), 36-9.
Shot put: Manocchio (C), 29-0; 2. Harris (NL), 26-9 1/4; 3. Nickoll (SP), 26-6; 4. Eichelberger (C), 26-1; 5. Tyler (Mv), 25-10 1/2; 6. Barnes (WR), 25-9 1/2.
800: 1. McCarron (C), 2-35; 2. Sidell (WR), 2-35-9; 3. Gowitka (P), 29-1; 4. Crum (SP), 29-5; 5. Gault (Map), 29-7; 6. Krause (Map), 29-8.
1600 relay: 1. Western Reserve (Sidell, Patrick, Bement, Tinney), 4-30-9; 2. Crestview, 4-47-7; 3. New London, 4-49-6; 4. Mapleton, 4-49-7; 5. Monroeville, 4-57-4; 6. Plymouth, 5-23-2.

Red Hot Summer!
Hard-working ATVs
Deserve a Bonus.Get up to \$600 in Bonus Bucks*
on select Honda ATVs.

During Honda's Red Hot Summer, ride off with selected hard-working, hard-playing Honda ATVs and you'll get a bonus. Up to \$600 in Bonus Bucks you can spend on gear, merchandise and more.

Hurry! This Red Hot Summer redemption ends 7/31/02

HURON OUTDOOR SHOP
1803 SAWMILL PARKWAY
419-433-6979



HONDA

honda.com BE A RESPONSIBLE RIDER. ALWAYS WEAR A HELMET EYE PROTECTION AND PROTECTIVE CLOTHING AND PLEASE RESPECT THE ENVIRONMENT. OBEY THE LAW AND READ YOUR OWNER'S MANUAL THOROUGHLY. *Bonus Bucks offer good 5/1/02-7/31/02 with the purchase of new 2002 and prior model year ATVs. Bonus Bucks can only be used for purchases at the dealership and must be redeemed on the day of purchase. Offer has no cash value and is not transferable. Redemption value may not exceed \$600 for utility ATVs 400cc and larger for TRX 500 FA, TRX 450 FM, FE, ES & TRX 400 FW. Customer may apply certificate to parts, accessories, rising gear, or other purchases, and is responsible for all related sales tax. Specifications and availability subject to change without notice. Other restrictions apply. Dealers set actual price. See your participating Honda Dealer for complete details. ©2002 American Honda Motor Co., Inc. (3/02)

**2 Large
2 Topping
Pizzas
\$15.95**

Cameo Pizza Coupon
Expires 6-30-02

Free Delivery -
Limited Areas Only

14 N. Hester St.,
Norwalk
660-0187
No Coupon
Necessary. Hurry!
Limited Time Only.

ABC Digital Communications **NEXTEL AUTHORIZED SERVICE CENTER**

\$49.99 Rate Plans REDUCED to \$39.99!

*200 Anytime Minutes *Unlimited Nights & Weekends *Free Nationwide Long Distance *Unlimited Direct Connect *Free Caller ID, Call Waiting, 3-Way Calling & Voicemail	*200 Anytime Minutes *2000 Nights & Weekend Minutes *2500 Direct Connect Minutes *Free Caller ID, Call Waiting, 3-Way Calling & Voicemail
--	--

With this AD! **BUY ONE GET ONE FREE!** **NEW!** **BUY ONE GET ONE FREE!**

Plus get a **\$50.00** credit for every phone activated on Rate Plans \$49.99 and up.

(419) 609-4222 **"Wireless Solutions as ABC"** **ABC Digital Communications**
1610 Cleveland Road Sandusky, OH 44870