



2017 Phillips 66 Big 12 Baseball Championship

TEXAS TECH POSTGAME QUOTES - Game 5 Chickasaw Bricktown Ballpark: May 25, 2017

No. 1 TTU 4, No. 4 Baylor 1

TTU Head Coach Tim Tadlock

On what the pitching rotation will look like...

“We’ll go Shetter tomorrow, then Lanning the next day if we get there. I mean we’re talking about surviving and trying to get to the next day. None of the guys really want to have to throw inter-squad innings at this point in the spring. None of the guys really want to go have at-bats inter-squad even though it’s kind of fun watching them sometimes. I say that but some of them really like playing, it doesn’t matter where you are. Yeah we’ll go Shetter, Lanning and then I would think John Henry Gonzalez and you know I want to get to that point.”

On Tanner Gardner’s performance...

“Tanner’s a is a baseball player. We’ve played tanner at third, second, left, center, he’s always been a baseball player. He will play wherever you tell him to go play. He grew up playing second base his whole life.”

Orlando Garcia, Jr., INF

On the win giving the team momentum...

“Yeah I mean, everyday is a new day you know, good or bad. So today was a new day, yesterday- we forgot about it. So I think we do a good job as a club. So tomorrow is a new day and we got some good out of today.”



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BAYLOR POSTGAME QUOTES - Game 5 Chickasaw Bricktown Ballpark: May 25, 2017

No. 1 Texas Tech 4, No. 5 Baylor 1

Baylor Head Coach Steve Rodriguez

Opening statement...

“I thought it was a great baseball game today going out and playing against the Newcomer of the Year and the Pitcher of the Year. I’ve seen (Steven) Gingery a couple times now and the kid is impressive. He is able to command every pitch in the count, and you have to tip your cap to him. There are a couple of plays he made in there that a lot of people over look. There was a come-backer double play that he was able to turn, and he was able to get to first base on another double play. Those are the little things in baseball that matter, and people can lose sight of that. Towards the end of his outing when he has over 100 pitches, for him to have the composure and awareness, those are great qualities. His pitching ability is a given at this point, but the other stuff like that is what is going to make him a great pitcher in the future.”

On if Gingery’s athleticism took him by surprise:

“I think everyone is energized early on in the game. You kind of hope that he gets tired by the end of the game. You hope to see his arm drop a bit, or stagger over to first base, but that isn’t what happened. You have to tip your hat to him. It’s frustrating to be the coach on the receiving end of that, but all you can do is tip your hat to him and respect the play.”

On the disconnect of stranding so many runners throughout the game:

“The biggest thing I told our guys is that the result is not always there, but we had the effort today. The effort was exactly what I was hoping for. We were facing the Pitcher of the Year, and there is a reason he has had as much success as he’s had. We got the guys in scoring position, and we tried to create as much chaos as we could using various strategies. I told our guys that a two-out hit is going to be a big deal for us today. We wanted to force contact as best as possible. We were able to do it at some points throughout the game, but we weren’t able to do it at others. Unfortunately, it just didn’t work out for us today.”

On how he feels about his team’s postseason chances:

“I think our resume is pretty good. When you look at the amount of top-50 and top-100 wins that we’ve had and the teams we’ve played, I think our resume speaks for itself. Not to mention we are playing in the best conference in the country. Going .500 in our conference is a tremendous feat in this conference right now.”