

2008 Phillips 66 Big 12 Baseball Championship



No. 3 Nebraska vs. No. 7 Kansas State Ouotes

No. 3 Nebraska 5, No. 7 Kansas State 2 May 23, 2008 AT&T Bricktown Ballpark

Nebraska coach Mike Anderson

On the win:

"I'm extremely proud of these guys to get win number 40. We talked about it in the fall. To win 40 games, that's a nice benchmark for any ball club and I am really proud about that. It was a good win for us. Obviously we needed something like that to get off of the slide and it was a typical Nebraska win."

On Johnny Dorn's performance after giving up two runs in the fourth inning:

"When you got a guy like that, it's really special. Most pitchers would be pounding their glove, getting ticked off, or doing different things and Johnny is not that way. The best way to say it is - that's Johnny Dorn. He just tightens the screws up when he gets in that situation. It's amazing. That's why he is competitive and that's why he gets the job done."

Nebraska starting pitcher Johnny Dorn

On facing Kansas State third basemen Nate Tenbrink with the bases loaded in the fourth inning:

On (Tenbrink's) at bat before, he got a triple, so what better time to get him back up to the plate than then. With the bases loaded you can't put him back on so it was a big strikeout. "

On helping end Nebraska's recent losing streak:

"I think everyone that gets on that mound wants to be the one that puts a stop to what is happening. Today I was lucky enough to be that guy and there is no one better than Zack (Herr) to follow you up."

Nebraska second basemen Jake Opitz

On his home run:

"It starts with (Jake Mort), he got on base all five times today. (Kansas State pitcher Thomas Rooke) was giving me some good pitches to hit. I just got a fastball up and went with it."