



2011 Phillips 66 Big 12 Baseball Championship

RedHawks Field at Bricktown

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Quotes

No. 8 Missouri 6, No. 1 Texas 4

Missouri

Coach Tim Jamieson

On the victory: "It was a great team effort. It gave us a chance to know that we're going to play at least two more games. It gives us a chance to keep playing until Sunday. We realize that's what we have to do. We have to keep winning to keep playing. It was a great effort by our ball club."

On if he was concerned when Texas kept scoring after each time Missouri scored: "I think until the three-run inning. I was a little more comfortable getting a crooked number up there. We weren't comfortable until the 27th out, but it gave us a little more margin for error."

On the team's mentality entering the game: "(Our mentality) has been pretty good for a while. I think we were confident. Guys believe that they're going to play well, and they know that gives themselves a chance to win."

On playing Oklahoma State after being swept by them in the regular season: "We're a much better team right now than we were when we were in Stillwater. Whether that means anything or not, it's hard to say but we like where we are. You have to play good teams right now anyway, so I kind of like the law of averages right now."

On tomorrow's starting pitcher: "We're going to start Rob Zastryzny. He threw really well against them last time, and we want to go left-handed."

Jonah Schmidt

On the team's approach at the plate in the three-run inning: "We had a good approach. They kind of gave us a little bit, and we were able to take advantage of it. We built some great at-bats. The pitcher kind of fell into a pattern of starting everybody off with a first-pitch slider. I was able to sit on it. He left it up, and I put it in the gap."

On if he noticed the center fielder shifted toward the other gap prior to the at-bat: "I was just looking to see (the pitch) up, put a good swing on it and not try to do too much with it. That's when I get in trouble, if I try to do too much with a pitch I can handle. That's when I pop it up, so I was just trying to stay smooth and put a good swing on it."

On if he had ever experienced a tornado warning before: "I've been through it once or twice. There were actually a couple of us up on the parking garage trying to watch the storm come in. I don't know if (Coach Jamieson) knew about

that, but it was something I've never experienced that close. I've always had tornado watches around, but nothing quite like that."

Eric Anderson

On how he kept the Texas hitters off-balance: "I was just trying to get ahead of hitters and let them get themselves out. There was a while when my stuff wasn't very good, but if you have the mentality to just go after people, you're usually able to work through those situations."

On his first experience with tornadoes the previous night: "I went straight to the basement. I wasn't messing with that. I'm from Colorado, so that was my first experience."

Texas

Coach Augie Garrido

On the game: "They did a much better job with two outs in their battles. They got the results with two outs. The three runs on the extra-base hit with two outs. We missed the third out on a very tough play that set up the opportunity and the guy capitalized on the opportunity."

On Missouri's hitting: "Their two strike hitting was very good. They had hits with 0-2 and with 1-2 counts. They battled. As they battled they got more victories inning-by-inning than we did."

On relief pitcher Kendal Carrillo: "I think it was rough. It was rough for all of us. He just happened to be the pitcher. It's never about one guy. Kendal didn't lose the game. We batted nine times, and scored four runs. You don't have to lose when the other team has six (runs). There are ways to overcome that."

On Texas' individual play: "I think our guys played okay; I think they battled. I don't question that part of it. It was just a tough game. We had two of those high-hoppers but they never got to the second bounce."

Brandon Loy

On playing more aggressively late in games: "You see in a lot of the games we play we're down you will see a little bit more competitiveness in the eighth and ninth inning. It's just something that we have to work on, getting runs early and staying ahead early. You see how we can play when we're down in the eighth and ninth. It's just one of those things where we have to keep fighting and just come out tomorrow and strap it up and get ready to go."

Erich Weiss

On Missouri: "I thought that they were (ready) at the beginning of the game, they came out early and they were ready to play. They saw the ball pretty well and were hitting it. At the end of the game we were needing to be more aggressive and I thought that we kind of came out more aggressive but it didn't turn out too well."