

# **FAYETTEVILLE NCAA REGIONAL**

# June 5, 2021

# Arkansas vs. Nebraska

### **POSTGAME QUOTES: ARKANSAS 5, NEBRASKA 1**

### WILL BOLT, Nebraska Head Coach

#### **RE: Mistakes**

"We had the fewest walks in the Big 10 conference this year. We've been a strike throwing team all year long. It was pretty uncharacteristic there for sure. There were a couple plays in there defensively as well that didn't make the plays. Some of those ground balls weren't the difference in the game. I think the difference in the game was the ten walks we gave up there."

#### **RE: Offensive Approach**

"Yeah. The first two times through the order, 18 guys at the plate, I had six or seven balls marked down as just squared up as barrels. The difference was we had some extended counts, we weren't able to finish those at bats off. Tip your cap to their starter. He's got good stuff. He's very competitive. He made pitches when he needed to. We didn't necessarily string together multiple good at bats in a row. We did have some good individual swings, just missed a couple of home runs that were fouled. Just stringing good, competitive at bats together in a row. I thought we were competitive, I shouldn't say that. Just stringing multiple, good at bats in a row, I felt like that could have been the difference there."

#### **RE: Bounce Back**

"You see it so many times in tournament settings like this. It's the teams that are able to bounce back quickly because you put an awful lot into each game. If it's the first game, you put so much into it that if you don't win it so many times you come out flat the next day. Saturday, everybody knows how important the second game of the regional is. You just have to come back out, flush it. That was the message to the team, we have to flush it. Come back out and play our best baseball tomorrow. These guys have fought really hard all year long. They've been very, very competitive. They love to play, I would expect nothing less than our very best stuff for tomorrow to give ourselves a shot."

### LUKE ROSKAM, Nebraska 1B

#### **RE: Arkansas Starting Pitching**

"He came at you with three pitches. He had a slider, a curveball, and a good fastball; he just attacked you. We hit some balls hard too, right at guys. It's how the game goes. We went into a lot of deep counts; we just didn't really win on 3-2 counts or get that big hit to get us going."

#### **RE:** Mistakes

"It's not what we usually do but the errors happen; it's part of the game and we do our best to cut down on it. The walks hurt us too but we just have to bounce back tomorrow."

#### **RE: Bounce Back**

"First and foremost you have to focus on the first game. We have to play NJIT and we'll be ready to go from pitch one and come out aggressive. We'll set the tone early and try to get us off of our heels and get back on our toes and start throwing punches right away. We have to attack the zone, play our good defense and be ready to hit tomorrow."