

Oregon State Postgame Quotes

Pat Casey

Obviously we're very disappointed that our season is over. We played a very good ball club tonight in Dallas Baptist, good luck to them. I know all of our guys wish we would have played our best baseball, I really commend their effort in the second game, I thought they played really hard. We couldn't get anything to go for us. Luke Heimlich was just outstanding and again I really commend the effort of our club. We all wish we would have played baseball and we didn't. It's a tough time not to play well and part of that's us and part of that's our opponent.

On Eckert's Outing

He had good velocity, just really had trouble commanding anything. There were a couple of balls in the infield that people beat out. I thought he got a little amped there and a little tight and loves some balls out over the plate. He really had a hard time with his secondary stuff getting it where he wanted.

Why did the team get stagnant today?

I don't know. We swung at a lot of pitches out of the zone. We couldn't get anything going. We had guys at first and second and we get picked off second. We just didn't do anything offensively today to put up any kind of threat. We faced good arms today, I think we should have obviously done a better job offensively, but it's difficult to go out and pitch when you can't get any runs on the board.

It's good experience for the young kids but we felt like coming in here we were playing good baseball and we wish we would have played a little better.

On having so many players coming back next year

Well we weren't supposed to be in contention this year, but we were. I don't really get into those things too much, I certainly know there is a lot of young talent on that club, young talent, and that's always good...they are going to have a good club. There's enough talent there that those guys could find their way to playing in Omaha.

I remember we were in LSU and lost in a Regional down there and I told the guys after the game that there's enough talent here that you guys have a chance to get to Omaha and they did in 2013.

On the freshmen experiencing big moments

I don't think the moment was too big. I do think that when you start pressing and trying too hard that the game gets more difficult. Those young guys were really trying hard to a point where they weren't as productive as they should be. It's great experience for them and they are going to be really good.

The thing that's difficult is if you are a good club, you are going to lose your last game unless you win it all. Every good team in the country is going to lose their last game except for one. So it's always tough after the hours that those guys put in, the effort they gave me and our coaching staff and our university. Those guys are down. Our job is to give them encouragement and let

them know how much we appreciate that effort, how much we care, how much they mean to our school and our program and how good they are going to be.

On the quick turnaround today

The weather was great, I think it's more of a mental thing because we struggled in the first game offensively and it dragged into the second game, but Dallas Baptist played this morning...

We just didn't play up to our ability, but I don't think it had anything to do with effort. I think we had almost too much effort. I thought some guys were taking some swings and getting some anxiety in the swing and maybe a little tightness, maybe really trying to get on the board. We couldn't get a ball to fall, we couldn't bloop a ball down the left field line or right field line or drop a ball in the infield and when we did we got picked off of second base. Maybe if we score a run there it loosens us up but we weren't able to do that.

Like I said, good arms, that's a good club, they played great defense, swung the bat early, got themselves going and had a little bit of momentum in their yard. That's the game of baseball, it's a tough game, that's why very few people succeed at it.

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"I thought that was a great team effort today. I'm really proud of the guys and I thought they kept the momentum going from game on into game two. Sometimes that can be hard to do when things are going well like that, you see it all the time, in a doubleheader there can be kind of a lull in the second game, but they picked it right up from the beginning. I thought that was real big for us to score early in the game; to get three runs in the first two innings. We also had another great start from Sean and then Drew Smith came in and did a fantastic job out of the bullpen.

Dan Heefner - Is the offense back?

"Yeah we definitely were going really well today. I think they're confident and are feeling good. That has been how they have been this year. They are just very confident with a team mentality, and I think we saw that today where it is not just one guy. Justin Wall had a great day, but there were a lot of guys all around him. There were guys on base a lot for him. I think what has really made us go this year is that our bottom of the order has been really good and that is what I think allows you to score a lot of runs, and today I thought it was Chane Lynch that had a good day. He turned the order over a few times and had some big RBIs for us. They are defiantly doing a good job right now."

Dan Heefner – What is the approach tomorrow?

"Yeah it is do or die now, so we just get to keep going and I love how they are approaching the game. They are not taking that as pressure on them, but they are just really enjoying the experience. We have a great team and the guys really love each other and get along well together. I think they're just enjoying every opportunity to keep playing another game, and that

has kind of been their mindset, to just win and move on and to watch out. They did a great job today and I think tomorrow they will have the same type of energy and confidence."

Camden Duzenack - What is the feeling for you with the two wins today?

"Well it is awesome. Last year we went two and out, and this year we are 2-1 right now. We put ourselves in a good position to win this thing. Obviously today was a great day from a team aspect, and looking forward to doing it again tomorrow."

Sean Stutzman - After two walks in the third inning, how big was it to get the pickoff with the position you were in at the time?

"Well that was huge after Salt got that guy, it really got me going to see him get that guy out. My confidence from there came back, and that really just jump started me to get back in the zone and pound it."