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OPSU Aggies Softball Drops 3 Over The Weekend

The Oklahoma Panhandle State University softball team traveled to Odessa over the weekend for a 3-game series against the University of Texas of the Permian Basin and returned to Goodwell still looking for a Heartland Conference win.

Samantha Arledge pitched game one, giving up only three hits and three runs and striking out four. UTPB scored a single run in the first inning and two more in the fifth while holding the Aggies scoreless. OPSU finally got on the board in the sixth when Kaitlin McCool singled and Brandi Heath followed with a double that brought McCool home, but that was the only run they managed as they lost 3-1. McCool, Heath and Kari Pitts all had one hit for three at-bats.

OPSU did not score in the first inning in game two of the doubleheader on Friday, but the Falcons came out fast, taking four runs off pitcher Kayla Pollard in the first inning before Presjel Dai'Re relieved her to get the third out. The Aggies had two hits in the second, but left the runners stranded. Their lone run came in the fourth when Julie Cross hit a two-out single with the bases loaded to get third base runner Lilli Ward safely home. Bristol Ashlock, at second when the ball was hit, attempted to score, but was thrown out at home. The Falcons scored another run in the fourth to get the 5-1 win. Pollard was given the loss and Dai'Re scattered five hits, gave up one run, and struck out four in five and one-third innings of work.

UTPB's Desiree Valero tossed a complete game, giving up only one hit and striking out eight as the Falcons won game three 3-0. OPSU pitcher Samantha Arledge was given the loss, giving up six hits and three runs and striking out three in six innings. McCool had the single OPSU hit.

Aggies play their home opener on Wednesday, March 13 with a doubleheader against the New Mexico Highlands University Cowgirls in non-conference play. The first pitch is set for 1 p.m. and the weather forecast looks great, so plan to come out and watch some OPSU softball!

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