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The Liberal Redskins had strong pitching starts on the mound, but errors came back to haunt the Redskins in two losses to Hugoton to open baseball season on the road.

Liberal dropped the first game 3-2.



Collin Ware only gave up four hits in five innings in Game 1, but Hugoton was able to turn three of those hits into runs.

Hugoton's Ross Davis also gave up four hits to the Redskins, but Liberal only managed to push one of those across the plate with an RBI from Law Greiner.

Liberal committed two errors, and Ware allowed three walks while striking out five. Jared Hasik led the Redskins at the plate

with two of Liberal's four hits.

In Game 2, the Redskins dominated for

six innings but lost to a seventh-inning Hugoton rally, 3-2.

Hasik pitched a gem for five innings, only allowing one hit and striking out seven.

Liberal scored two runs in the first inning with RBIs from Greiner and Kaiden Long, and Hasik made them stick through five innings.

Jared Fox came in relief in the sixth and pitched another shutout inning.

But in the bottom of the seventh, Fox struggled as did the Redskin defense. Hugoton scored three unearned runs in the bottom of the seventh, the last with two outs, for a 3-2 win.