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Sometimes a little adjustment here or there make a big difference.

That may have been the case in Gothenburg's 4-2 victory over Holdrege.

The coaching staff saw that Emily Franzen's stance at the plate needed a little adjustment the night before the game.

The Swede junior responded well to the change with a pair of deep home runs that powered Gothenburg to a victory over the Dusters.

Her first shot went deep over the centerfield fence driving in two runs in the third inning. Her second homer was a solo blast over the rightfield fence.

"Emily's home runs were blasts," Swede coach Roger Neujahr said. "There wasn't any doubt about it."

The heavy hitting was needed as Gothenburg had just two other hits in the contest—back-to-back singles by Hanna Wolf and Siera Schwanz that gave the Swedes a 1-0 lead in the second.

"We have not been hitting the ball lately," Neujahr said. "I wish I had a quick fix for that. We're going to work on that and see what we can come up with."

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