

# Radatz May Answer Tiger Problems

One of these days Dick Radatz of Farmington may be able to end down on the amount of traveling he does to get to work.

Radatz, the one-time "Monster" of the Boston Red Sox when he was considered the No. 1 relief pitcher in baseball, has been commuting between Farmington and Toledo, where he has been trying to win himself a job back in the majors—with the Detroit Tigers.

By the looks of thing, Radatz could be close to that chance to pitch in the majors again. He appears to have found himself again after some unhappy years that saw him fade away from the Red Sox to Cleveland to the Chicago Cubs to the minors and then out of baseball for a brief time this spring.

Then the Tigers expressed an interest in Radatz. They brought him to Tiger stadium to hurl under the guidance of coach Johnny Sain.

RADATZ SEEMED to know what he was doing wrong. He had stopped throwing hard overhand, instead he was coming sidearm.

Sain helped Radatz rectify the situation and in recent weeks Radatz has become a star for the Toledo Mud Hens. A week ago he hurled a 2-0 shutout and fanned a dozen. He allowed three hits, fanned 11 and beat Buffalo, 4-1, the other night.

Tiger manager Mayo Smith knows how important a big man can be in the bullpen.

The lack of same made the difference Wednesday night when the Tigers lost to Minnesota, 4-3, after rallying to tie the game.

Detroit had come back on

Plymouth  
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Standings

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**  
Dodgers 1, Pirates 0  
Cubs 1, Braves 0  
Reds 1, Giants 0  
Giants 1, Braves 0  
Pirates 1, Red Sox 1  
AMERICAN LEAGUE

**WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS**  
Dodgers 1, Braves 0  
Pirates 1, Red Sox 1  
Giants 1, Braves 0  
Pirates 1, Red Sox 1  
**TUESDAY'S RESULTS**  
White Sox 4, Yankees 3  
Orioles 1, Indians 0  
Tigers 1, Red Sox 3  
Indians 2, Tigers 1

Wayne State University Rowing Coach Judson Ross rowed for the Detroit Boat Club from 1926-1933.

Michigan AAU Jr. Olympic events scheduled for 1968 include competitions in track and field, wrestling, swimming, gymnastics and boxing.

The Michigan Track Club topped a field of 16 teams to take the team championship in the first Annual Tri-State Invitational Track Championships in 1968.

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Don Wert's second homer, a pinch triple by Gates Brown and a pinch single by Al Kaline, who was held out of regular action because of a sore back.

But in the Minnesota eighth, Smith brought in Fred Lasher to replace starter Mickey Lolich and Lasher quickly was tagged for a double and single, and that was the ball game.

In contrast, Minnesota turned to its ace relief pair of Ron Ferranowski and Al Worthington and they were able to preserve the lead.

AS IT NOW stands the Tiger relief corps lacks maturity. Smith has been going with the likes of Lasher, Jon Warden and Pat Dobson with Dennis Ribant and Daryl Patterson getting very occasional calls.

Thus, Radatz could be the answer, if he truly has the wildness that sent him out of the majors after his great campaigns in Boston.

Lolich made one bad pitch in the game—a three-run homer to Jim Perry, the Minnesota starting pitcher. The loss was the second in

a row for the Tigers in Copeland. They had dropped a 3-1 decision on Tuesday which Rich Rollins singled in two runs off Joe Spina in the eighth inning after Tony Oliva received an intentional walk so that the Tigers could get at the "waster" Rollins.

Things didn't work out that way and now Spina is 3-4 for the season. The Tigers actually were lucky to get out of Minnesota with one victory. They won the opener, 4-3, with three runs earned, including the winner. The only "honest" Detroit run was a homer by Willie Horton.

Throughout the series, the Tigers bats didn't pop the way they should if the team is to remain in first place.

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