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EMIL ZATOPEK
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Known affectionately as the 'Bouncing Czech' or the 'Human Locomotive', Emil Zatopek was the superstar of the 1952 Olympics in Helsinki. In the space of a week he easily won the 10,000 metres, captured the 5000 metres in a thrilling sprint finish, and finally romped away with the marathon in his first attempt at the distance! It remains a unique triple - and for good measure his wife Dana won the javelin.



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