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## *Class in its Purest Form*

Hefty women shot-putters and women swimmers with coal-heaver shoulders give a rather distorted image of women in sport. Although these powerful ladies undoubtedly have their place in the stadium or the swimming pool, excellence in other disciplines does not necessarily involve muscle-building, for which the female body is anatomically unsuited.

In this respect, the winners of the gold and silver medals in the women's 200 meters (sprint) at the Rome Olympics in 1960 did more for women's athletics than all the shot-putting amazons who have propelled the women's record inexorably towards 22 meters. When Jutta Heine, the blonde West German girl who came second, went to congratulate the black American girl Wilma Rudolph on her victory, one saw just how compatible feminine beauty is with athletic prowess.

Jutta Heine's genius on the running track was something which was almost as natural as her good looks. She was never one for gruelling training sessions

or slavish practice routines. For several years she occupied the number one spot in the German glossy magazines, but for every photograph of her on the cinder track, there were ten at the wheel of a sports-car, at the helm of a yacht or on a tennis court.

Two years after her defeat by the extraordinary Wilma Rudolph in the 200 meters and 4 x 100 meters relay at Rome, she became European 200 meters sprint champion at Belgrade.

### **JUTTA HEINE**

Born Sept. 16, 1940, in Stadthagen, WGE

### **AWARDS AND RECORDS**

- 1960 OG: silver medal in 200 m  
silver medal in 4 x 100 m relay
- 1962: European 200 m champion, 2nd in 100 m and 4 x 100 m relay; won all 200 m races in which she took part
- 1963: World University 200 m and 80 m hurdles champion at Porto Alegre, Brazil
- 4 times West German 200 m champion, also 100 m champion once