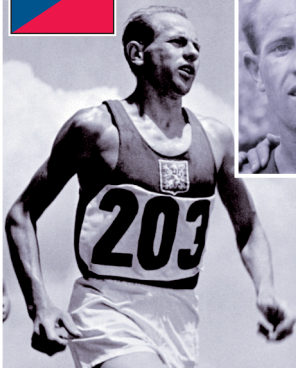


Emil Zatopek

Czech athlete who became the greatest distance runner of the 20th century



■ **Born:** Sep 19, 1922 in Koprivnice, Czechoslovakia

■ **Career:** Between 1946 and 1956 the ***Bouncing Czech*** set 18 world records in races ranging from 5,000m to 30km. In 1952 he won three gold medals at the Helsinki Olympics – including one for his first ever marathon

Olympic gold. 10,000m: 1948, 1952

5,000m: 1952

Marathon: 1952

Silver. 5,000m: 1948