SHORT READING

JESSE OWENS

The Summer Olympics of 1936 took place in Berlin, Germany, just three years before the Second World War. The German Nazi leader, Adolf Hitler, used the Olympics to show the importance of the Nazis and their athletes.

For the first time the Games were on television and the German people could watch them. That year the Germans won a lot of medals, but perhaps the greatest star of the Games was Jesse Owens, an African-American athlete who won four gold medals for running and the long jump.

Today there is a street in Berlin with Jesse Owen's name.



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