

From the edge of the track a voice yelled, 'On your marks, get set, GO!'

Eight excited schoolboys raced down the track. Eric was soon in front, his head back and his legs pumping. He broke through the finishing tape well ahead of the others.

He was one of the best athletes at Eltham College. Athletics was great fun. But it was hard being at boarding school, so far away from his parents in China. Eric longed to go back. Maybe he would one day. China was his home, even though he was British.



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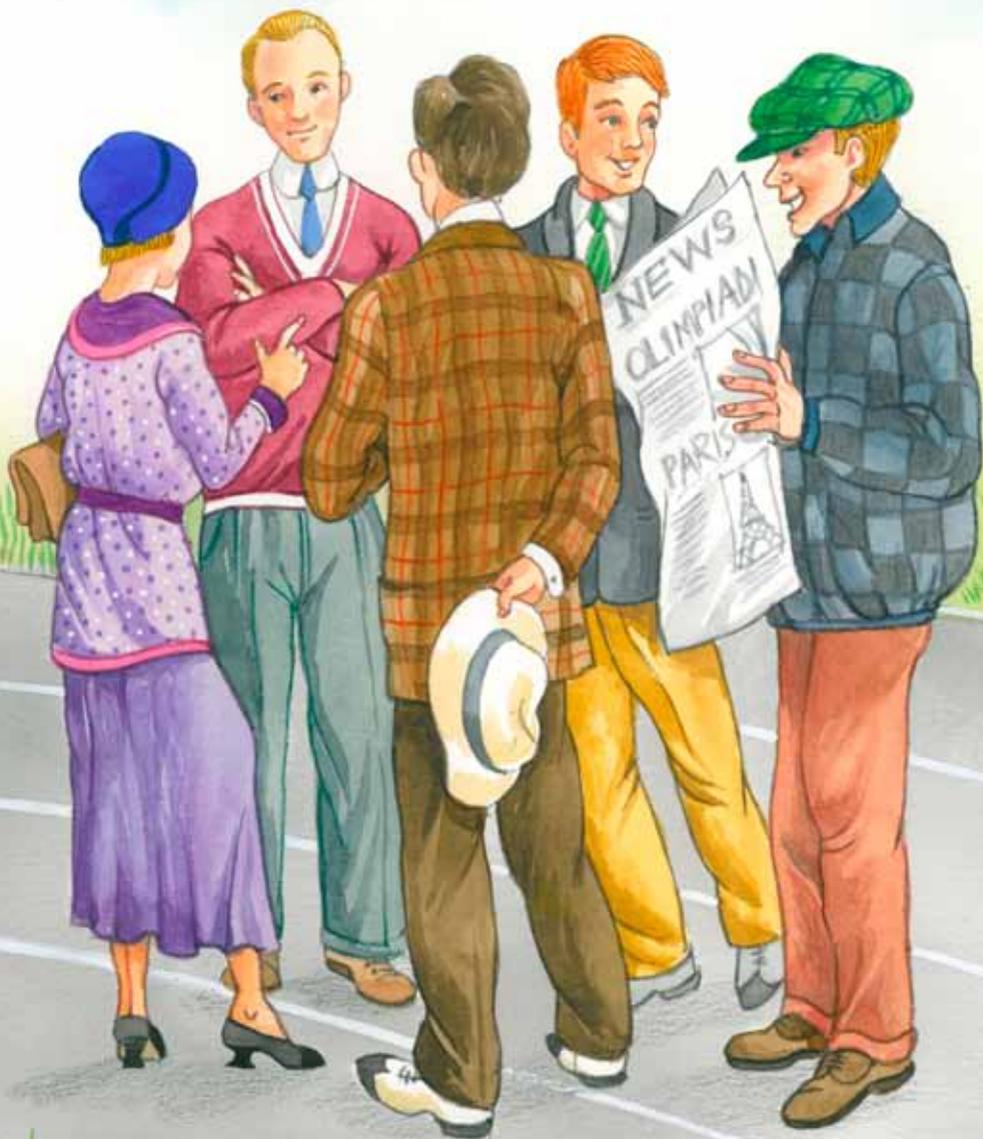
When he got to his senior year, people started to talk about his future. ‘Do you think Eric will be ready to run in the Olympics?’ a teacher asked. ‘He is after all the fastest man in Scotland.’

But Eric was getting ready for something else. Eric was going to speak to a crowd of people about Jesus Christ. ‘I might not be ready to speak,’ Eric thought to himself, ‘but I know that God is ready to forgive those who trust in his Son, Jesus.’

That was what Eric had to tell his audience. ‘I’m ready now,’ he smiled.



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‘Are you ready for church?’ Eric’s mother asked one Sunday morning. Eric wasn’t a child anymore, he was a man, but it was still great to have his parents back in Scotland.

During the holidays, all the Liddells, including Eric’s brothers, Robert and Ernest, and his sister, Jennie, stayed together in Edinburgh. Sunday was a special day for the Liddell family – it was a day set aside for God. They gathered with other people who loved Jesus, listened to the Bible and sang praises to God the Father.





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