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Since I was young I've been very fast
always trying not to get last.
Growing up we were very poor
so I never missed a single chore.
Sometimes I even had to wake up at four.

My dream was to go to college,
but the problem wasn't my knowledge.
It was just something we couldn't afford.
They laughed at that thought, which I ignored.

Colleges noticed me because of my pace,
but some things were unfair due to my race.

I made it to Ohio State
which had me feeling pretty great.
Even though equality was still a debate.

Soon I would win an olympic gold
and my story would finally be told.