

Geis, Pre finally get together



(Register-Guard photo by Wayne Eastburn)

They finally reached an agreement

Paul Geis and Steve Prefontaine deadlock in Corvallis two-mile

Duck distance aces run 8:35 in Hi-Lite

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CORVALLIS — If you've been lying awake nights dreaming of a Steve Prefontaine-Paul Geis confrontation, you should have been here Thursday night.

Then again, you didn't miss much if you weren't.

The two surprisingly came together at the Staters Hi-Lites meet at Oregon State's new spring sports complex, but it wasn't the showdown. The pair politely exchanged the lead for eight laps and then loped across the finish line side-by-side in the time of 8:35.57.

It was an exercise in non-competition that shared top billing with an effort of true merit. Oregon State's Jim Judd threw the javelin 267-8, almost 10 feet further than his previous lifetime best of 258-0, to post the top collegiate mark of the year.

"We've got four potential winners (in the NCAA)," OSU Coach Berny Wagner said. "But we thought that before tonight. We knew Judd had the ability."

WAGNER HAS high jumpers Tom Woods and Mike Flee plus pole vaulter Ed Lipscomb and Judd who could win at the nationals.

"I think 265 could be enough at the nationals," Judd said. "You look back and a lot of guys usually come down off their bests in the big meets. I've been working awfully hard since the Pac-8 trying to get more speed down the runway, and I was really ready for this meet because I knew the weather would be good and that there would be a crowd.

"Now I'm ready so I'll probably just take it easy until next week."

Until Judd's heave and until Pre

showed up alongside Geis, there were some good marks but no outstanding competition. Steve DeAutremont, the ex-Oregon Stater, opened the meet with a lifetime best of 225-9 in the hammer throw, while Oregon's Rich Perkins threw 188-0 and likely won himself a trip to the nationals.

Then Knut Kvalheim, the ex-Duck, rambled through the steeplechase in fine 8:33.38 fashion but had nobody to push him as Olympian Mike Manley was a distant second in 8:45.39. Oregon State's Butch Schmidt then unleashed the shot 61-4 $\frac{1}{4}$ before Judd got his big javelin throw.

THEN, AFTER OSU's Hailu Eba loped through a 1:51.32 half mile that served merely as a tuneup for his 880 appearance in the Kennedy Games this weekend in Berkeley, Geis and Pre took the track.

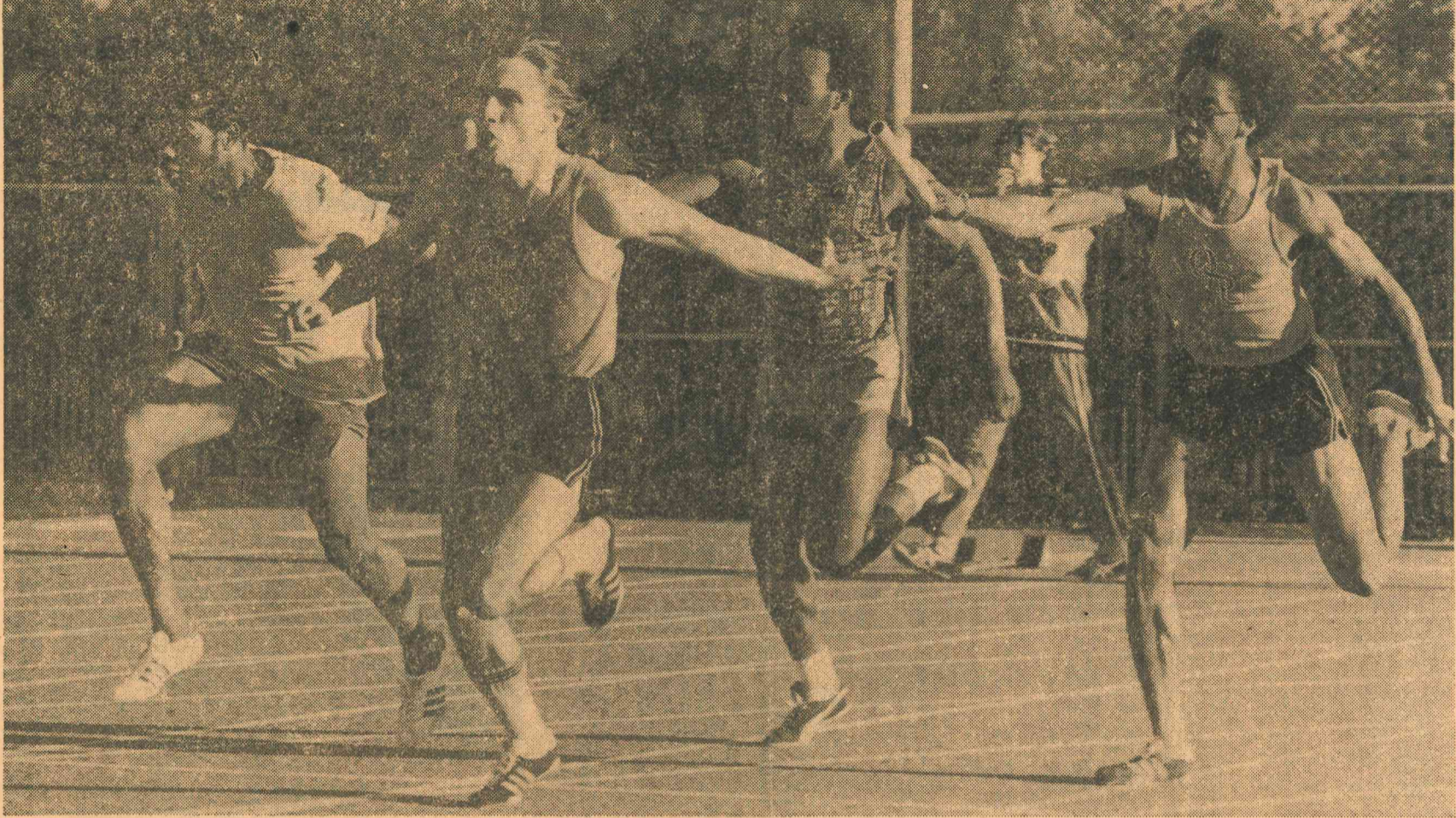
It was unthinkable that they would actually race at this point, which they did not.

Bill Dellinger, the Oregon coach, laughed as he described how Prefontaine wound up in the meet and alongside Geis at this unlikely time.

"At 2 o'clock today Pre was sitting in the stands at Howe Field and asked me what he should do today," Dellinger said. "I told him that if he and Geis could run two miles without getting into a race, it would be good for him to run over here. He agreed to it, so I talked to Paul and he agreed to make it just a good workout."

GEIS, HOWEVER, admitted to some doubts about the whole thing. There is indeed a rivalry between these two spirited

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The team in the bathing trunks and crazy clothes won the 400-meter relay

John Mays completes handoff to Al Hearvey for OTC, but OSU's Marcus Irving never did make connections with Steve Daiber

Geis admits to doubts at first

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runners, and Geis wasn't too sure Pre just wanted a workout.

"In the end it was fun and it worked out good for both of us," he said. "But I was suspicious when I first heard about it, I wondered if he'd try to drop me out there. But there was no playing around and it was a great thing. This should take the pressure off both of us."

"I appreciate his not playing games, and since we're not interested in competing against each other right now, why not help each other out."

The final highlight of the night was to be an OSU bid at the world record for the mile intermediate hurdle record. But Doug Snyder pulled up lame with an ankle injury after hitting the second hurdle of his second leg and like that the record attempt ended.

IT WASN'T A night for relays all the way around. Oregon's 440 relay team didn't appear because Brent Peterson is injured, and then Oregon State's dropped the baton on the final exchange as Al Hearvey finished things up for the Oregon Track Club all by his lonesome.

In addition to Perkins and the ill-fated relay team, Oregon had two other marginal NCAA possibilities heading into this meet. Jeff Carter in the javelin threw 230-6 legally but fouled on a throw over 240, while Dave Voorhees threw the discus 180-7, his best. Delinger said he would decide today whether to take them to Austin, Tex. for the NCAA meet.

Other than that it was just a day for a workout — even for Pre and Geis, who ran a series of 330s together on the track after their two-mile.

KLAMATH FALLS (AP) — The 1974 American Legion's northwest division baseball tournament will be held in Klamath Falls Aug. 14-19, division commissioner Harold Howard said Thursday.

The first round pairings pit Wyoming against Alaska, Washington against Oregon and Montana against Klamath Falls.

Idaho plays the winner of the Oregon-Washington game.



A stumble and splash in steeplechase pit is better in May than in March

OSU's Randy Brown, the hero of his team's dual meet win over Oregon, didn't sink, although he did fail to place

Hi-Lite track results

HAMMER — 1, Steve DeAutremont, BHS, 225-9. 2, Robbin Roeder, STC, 210-1. 3, Rich Perkins, UO, 188-0. 4, Doug Cramer, OSU, 178-1. 5, Phil Beguhl, UW, 161-11. 6, Doug Seeley, OSU, 147-11.

STEEPLECHASE — 1, Knut Kvalheim, OTC, 8:33.38. 2, Mike Manley, OTC, 8:45.39. 3, Leonard Hill, OSU, 8:53.41. 4, Bob Walker, BSU, 9:02.09. 5, Cliff Rees, OSU, 9:23.03. 6, Bob Grubbs, UO, nt.

400 METER RELAY — 1, Oregon Track Club (John Mays, Stan Whigham, Doug Chapman, Al Hearvey), 41.86. Oregon State dropped baton.

LONG JUMP — 1, Devin Brown, OSU, 23-1 $\frac{1}{4}$. 2, Ross Blackman, UO, 23-1. 3, Ron Altishin, OSU, 21-10. 4, Ji Holloway, UO, 1-6.

HIGH HURDLES—Doug Snyder, OSU, 14.86. 2, Ray Struve, Lin, 15.28. 3, Dave Hessemer, UO, 15.68. 4, Mike Jones, OSU, 15.87. 5, Randy Moore, UO, 16.06.

SHOT PUT — 1, Butch Schmidt, OSU, 61-4 $\frac{1}{4}$. 2, Doug Cramer, OSU, 58-2. 3, Doyle Kenaday, MTC, 56-6 $\frac{1}{2}$. 4, Bruce Hill, UO, 54-10 $\frac{1}{4}$. 5, Dave Voorhees, UO, 54-10. 6, Lloyd Graves, OCE, 53-8 $\frac{1}{4}$.

100 — Section 1: 1, Yaw Atuahene, OSU, 10.21. 2, Al Hearvey, OTC, 10.27. 3, Stan Whigham, OTC, 10.38. 4, Marcus Irving, OSU, 10.69. 5, Steve Krohn, PTC, 10.70. Section 2: 1, John Mays, OTC, 10.21. 2, Andre Baugh, UO, 10.37. 3, Steve Daiber, OSU, 10.44. 4, Wilbert Johnson, UO,

10.54. 5, Dave Hessemer, UO, 10.76. 6, Jim Gilbert, PTC, 11.03.

HIGH JUMP — 1, Tom Woods, OSU, 7-0. 2, Chris Dunn, OTC, 7-0. 3, Mike Fleer, OSU, 7-0.

POLE VAULT — 1, Ed Lipscomb, OSU, 16-0. 2, Dave Roberts, PCC, 16-0. 3, Jon Duerst, MTC, 14-6.

MILE — 1, Todd Lathers, UO, 4:07.5. 2, Bob Rust, UO, 4:09.7. 3, Chris Carey, OSU, 4:11.3. 4, Kim Taylor, LBCC, nt. 5, Jose Amaya, OSU, nt. 6, Tony Keller, OSU, nt.

440 — 1, Robert Shaw, STC, 48.74. 2, Dacre Bowen, UO, 49.36.

JAVELIN — 1, Jim Judd, OSU, 267-8 (New school record; old mark 260-11 $\frac{1}{2}$ by Gary Stenlund in 1963). 2, Curt Heide, OSU, 234-2. 3, Jeff Carter, UO, 230-6. 4, Dave Melville, OTC, 229-10. 5, Doug Hinkins, OSU, 229-3. 6, John Baehr, CO \odot 224-1.

880 — 1, Hailu Ebba, OSU, 1:51.32. 2, Mike Gregory, OTC, 1:54.39. 3, Eric Donaldson, UO, 1:56.03. 4, Jay Hill, PTC, 1:57.5. 5, Steve Chambers, OSU, nt. 6, Mike Off, PTC, nt.

TWO MILE — 1 (tie), Steve Prefontaine, OTC, and Paul Geis, UO, both 8:35.76. 3, Scott Daggatt, UO, 8:38.27. 4, Mike Long, OTC, 8:41.01. 5, Terry Williams, UO, nt. 6, Randy Brown, OSU, nt.

220 — Section 1: 1, Yaw Atuahene, OSU, 21.76. 2, Al Dukowski, UO, 21.76. 3, Marcus Irving, OSU, 22.23. 4, Jim Henry, OSU, 22.34. Section 2: 1, Doug Chapman, OTC, 22.05. 2, Jim Holloway, UO, 22.46. 3, Steve Daiber, OSU, 22.70. 4, Wilbert Johnson, UO, 22.84. 5, Stan Whigham, UO, 22.85.

TRIPLE JUMP — 1, Gerald Bell, BSU, 48-2 $\frac{1}{2}$.

MILE INTERMEDIATE HURDLE RELAY — 1, All-Stars (Randy Moore, UO; Ray Struve, Lin; Gary Smith, Lin; Mike Gemet, BSU), 3:40.4. Oregon State failed to finish.

DISCUS — 1, Ken Stadel, Rice, 186-0. 2, Tim Vollmer, NYAC, 184-4. 3, Dave Voorhees, UO, 180-7. 4, Robin Earl, UW, 174-0. 5, Jim Miller, OSU, 165-5. 6, Mark Smith, PLU, 164-0.

Trailshoot set

The Umpqua Valley Bowhunter's annual trailshoot is scheduled June 15 and 16 at Millpond campsite, 25 miles east of Roseburg on Highway 138.