

Mile matchup in meet spotlight

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Hopeful that this year's meet will make viewing more enjoyable for next year's meet, the University of Oregon tonight draws together some of the world's great track and field talent for the Hayward Field Restoration Meet.

The lineup of talent is impressive, headlined by the heralded matchup of Steve Prefontaine and Dave Wottle in the mile. And there are others.

"Sure sorry I'm going to miss that 440," said Jim Bush, the UCLA coach who is busy assembling the American team that will tour Europe this summer.

"Benny Brown is ready, and wants to get back at Maurice Peoples. I just wish I could see it because it might be a world record."

THE MEET ALSO marks the return of Rod Milburn to the scene of his 13-flat world high hurdles record and the return of Randy

Williams and James McAlister, the pair that almost made the long jump pit obsolete their last time here.

Mac Wilkins, the local hero who has conquered 200 feet and everyone in sight, takes on a discus field that includes Jay Silvester, America's best, and Tim Vollmer.

Tickets for the meet are \$10, a price that admits an entire family or three adults and is being advertised as a contribution to the restoration of Hayward Field.

By this time next year the new cement grandstand should have re-

placed the decaying west grandstand, providing the Oregon Track Club meets its goal of \$600,000 for phase one of the restoration.

"**WE'D LIKE** to make this an annual meet," said Bill Dellinger, the Oregon coach. "We've found that there is considerable interest among the athletes for competition about four or five days after the AAU meet and before they leave for Europe.

"When the AAU meet is held on the West Coast, we can hold this meet and be very successful."

Although the AAU had asked Eugene to host the 1974 championships, the Oregon Track Club declined the offer. Los Angeles has made a bid for the meet and apparently will get it.

"It was just too close to the anticipated completion of the grandstand," said Dellinger. "We didn't feel comfortable about bidding for it."

THERE IS, however, some preliminary negotiations going on for Eugene to host the 1974 U.S.-Russian junior meet, an event staged each July.

Last year it was in Sacramento, Calif., while this year's event will be held in Odessa, Russia.

Oregon's Jeff Carter (javelin) and Bob Grubbs (three-mile) will compete in the U.S. junior championships in Gainesville, Fla., in an effort to make the team while decathlete Craig Brigham is attempting to make the squad this weekend in the AAU decathlon championships in Porterville, Calif.

Tonight's meet begins at 6:30 with the hammer throw and concludes with the mile at 8:40 p.m.

KUGN (590) will broadcast a segment of the meet, beginning at 7:25 p.m.

HAMMER (6:30) — Steve DeAutremont (212-11), Mike Bolliger (187-9), Rick Perkins.

POLE VAULT (6:55) — Jack Ernst (17-0), Jeff Taylor (17-0), Craig Brigham (16-4), Brad Skovbo (15-9).

HIGH SCHOOL FOUR-MILE RELAY (7:00) — South Eugene, North Eugene, Marina, Huntington Beach, Calif.

JAVELIN (7:05) — Jeff Carter (239-8), Bill Spaet (246-1).

LONG JUMP (7:15) — Randy Williams (27-4½), James McAlister (27-½), John Delamere (24-11).

HIGH HURDLES (7:30) — Rod Milburn (13.0), Charles Rich (13-4), Ron Brown (14.4), John Woodman (14.7).

SHOT PUT (7:34) — Pete Shmock (66-5), Don Philpot (48-2½).

TRIPLE JUMP (7:45) — John Craft (55-8¾), Milan Tiff (54-3½), Robert Reader (53-10½).

100 (7:40) — Albert Hearvey (9.4), John Mays (9.5), Brent Peterson (9.5).

400 (7:50) — Benny Brown (45.0), Maurice Peoples (45.0), Dave Hagmeier (47.0), Vincent Buford (46.6), Doug Chapman (47.5), Maxie-Parks (46.3).

800 (8:00) — Rick Brown (1:46.7), Skip Kent (1:46.5), Ken Schappert (1:46.9), Steve Bence (1:48.1), Ray Aichison (1:52.0).

HIGH JUMP (8:05) — Reynaldo Brown (7-4), Tom Woods (7-4), Robert Joseph (7-3), Chris Dunn (7-3), Darry Laverdure (7-0).

DISCUS (8:05) — Mac Wilkins (212-6), Tim Vollmer (221-1), Gary Wolf (193-2), Jay Silvester (230-11).

THREE-MILE (8:20) — Jon Anderson, John Hartnett (13:06.4), Mike Keogh (13:14.8), Charlie Maguire (13:38.4), Dan Murphy (13:32.2), Rick Riley (13:24.4), Rick Albright (13:46.0).

MILE (8:40) — Paul Geis (4:05), Steve Prefontaine (3:55), Dave Wottle (3:57.1), Mark Feig (3:59.4), Scott Daggatt (4:00.7), Jim Johnson (4:01.7), Ken Elmer (3:58.9).



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The bet is that Dave Wottle won't be waddling in his match race tonight against Steve Prefontaine