

Top U.S. sprinter has no place to practice

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SAN DIEGO (AP) — America's top sprinter has been barred from his school's track and says he's now got barbed wire marks on his arm from climbing fences into stadiums to train.

Steve Williams says when he quit the San Diego State track team two months ago, the school's track coach, Dick Hill, "banned me from the track, even though I'm

still a student there. The whole thing is really silly."

Williams, who won the AAU 100-meter title last year and equalled the world record of 9.9, was ranked No. 2 in the world in 1974 to Cuba's 19-year-old Silvio Leonard. But the 6-foot-3½ Williams said he was overworked by Hill.

The split with Hill, formerly the coach of Bob Hayes at Florida A&M,

came during the off-season and thus didn't arouse much notice. Hill replied to the charge with: "He was unbeaten in the 220 and 100-meters under me and I feel he has been very unappreciative."

Williams, who has been competing unattached in various uniforms including one bearing the West German national insignia, said he had been asked to run not only the 100 and 220 in dual meets but also both the 440 and mile relays and even an occasional 440-yard dash. He said a world class runner shouldn't have to run that hard all season.

"This is just a matter of someone's advanced idiosyncrasies," he said. "Right now I'm training in the sand at the beach, near the water where it's hard. I jump the waves for variety."

He's been told he can't compete at the school when the track is being used — roughly between noon and 6 p.m. — and Hill defends that edict, saying, "The track is just like any other classroom. You need a good learning climate and it's only logical to keep someone away who's disruptive to the learning environment."

When Williams gets tired of running on the sand, he climbs the fence at Balboa Stadium, where the national AAU meet has been held. "I've cut myself going over the fence but I shouldn't have to do that," he said.

With only one semester to go before graduation, Williams gains little by transferring. A B-plus student in communications, the articulate dashman says he wants to "drop this

Feuerbach defeats Woods

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By Jim Bainbridge

LOS ANGELES — Competing virtually by himself, Al Feuerbach won the featured Sunkist Games shot put here last night with a throw of 68-9, seven inches below his meet and Sports Arena record.

It was supposed to be a renewal of the great international rivalry Feuerbach carried on with George Woods a year ago, but Woods is not yet in top shape and finished third at 63-5.

Hawaii University Terry Albritton was second at 64-5½.

Every one of Feuerbach's five legal throws was better than Woods' best and a chagrined George can only hope he can somehow find inspiration by returning to the Cow Palace, where he set a world record last year. Otherwise, it will be more of the same

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for next week's Examiner Games.

A year ago, Woods won eight of nine meetings with Feuerbach, breaking the world indoor mark four times and ultimately reaching 72-5¾. He won the world Indoor Athlete of the Year Award. This year he is winning.

Jim Bolding, the world record holder for the 440 yard hurdles, finally broke through with a win in the 600 yard run after three narrow losses at Saskatoon, College Park and, Friday night, at Pocatello, when he ran a life best 1:00.5 but lost out to Boyd Gittins.

Last night, Bolding led from the start and held off

a late challenge by Wes Williams to win in 1:11.0 with Williams three tenths back.

For a while during the two mile run all the publicity about the new high-banked track seemed valid as Steve Prefontaine ran a 4:09.8 first mile on a pace that would improve his own American record. But the pace waned and Pre finished in 8:24.0, settling for an Arena record.

After the first mile, Pre ran by himself with John Ngeno, who said beforehand he did feel well, holding on for third in 8:35.6 with Jim Johnson moving up to second in 8:30.4.

As expected, San Diego's Steve Williams captured the 60 yard dash, recovering from a fairly shaky start to win in a near dead-heat with Donld Quarrie and Clancy Edwards of Cal Poly-SLO as all were timed in 6.1.

Williams had to share the

spotlight, however, with Joe Andrews of West High of Bakersfield, who ran the same time in the prep 60 to break the meet record by a tenth.

Ironically, Andrews is scheduled to run the high school hurdles Friday at the Examiner Games. He has a best of 7.4 indoor and is considered one of the top college prospects in the country.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Summary of Saturday night's Sunkist Invitational Track Meet:

Women's 60-yard hurdles — 1, Pat Van Wolvelaere, Will's Wonder Women, 7.7 seconds. 2, Pat Donnelly, Lakewood International, 7.8. 3, Deanne Carlisle, Will's WW, 7.8. 4, Janice Lester, Long Beach Comets, 8.0.

Men's 60-high hurdles — 1, Tommie Leo White, unattached, 7.1. 2, Cliff Jackson, Beverly Hills Striders, 7.1. 3, Harry Frierson, Cal Poly Pomona, 7.4. 4, Charles Rich, Cal International, 7.4.

Women's 60 — 1, Martha Watson, Lakewood International 6.8. 2, Dollie Fleetwood, Southern Cal Cheefahs, 7.3. 3, Renae Bowen, Lakewood International, 7.0. 4, Gail Douglas, Long Beach Comets, 7.2.

60 — 1, Steve Williams, unattached, 6.1. 2, Don Quarrie, BH Striders, 6.1. 3, Clancy Edwards, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, 6.1. 4, James Gilkes, BH Striders, 6.2.