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J.C. PENNY MIXED TEAM CLASSIC

Lon Hinkle, winner of the recent World Series of Golf, and Pat Bradley are expected to return as defending champions in the 72-hole, \$400,000 J.C. Penny Mixed Team Classic with the final round of play being broadcast by CBS Sports, **SUNDAY, DEC. 9.**

In all, 48 teams comprised of one member of the PGA Tour and one member of the Ladies Professional Golf Association, combining the extra elements of strategy and teamwork, will play all 72 holes in the fourth annual event, to be held over the 7,015-yard, par-72, Bardmoor Country Club in Largo, Fla.

Jack Whitaker (pictured), Gary Bender, Ben Wright, Frank Gieber and Ken Venturi will provide the commentary.

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MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

The Pittsburgh Steelers, led by their mercurial quarterback Terry Bradshaw (pictured), travel to the Astrodome in Houston, Texas, where they'll do battle with the arch-rival Oilers in an ABC-TV Monday Night Football tilt on **MONDAY, DEC. 10.**

The Oilers are sure to unleash crack running back Earl Campbell on the Pittsburgh secondary. This key AFC Central game will be the subject of much talk from the inimitable Howard Cosell, who will share the mike with colleagues Frank Gifford and Don Meredith.

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Sports

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by Steve K. Walz

SPORTSWHIRLED—Three former NHL goaltenders have hung up their skates in the past month, and two of them were once considered prime NHL property. Edmonton waved goodbye to young netminder **Pete LoPresti**, who excelled with Minnesota when the North Stars were a less than mediocre hockey team. One wonders whether the Oilers made a big mistake in not giving the American-born goaler a chance to prove himself between the pipes. Whether the Albertan squad realizes it or not, **Dave Dryden** isn't getting any younger and **Ed Mio** will never win the Vezina Trophy. I hope LoPresti reconsiders his retirement. In Washington, **Bernie Wolfe** is now doing some public relations for the Caps. Bernie, who showed flashes of brilliance in net, got caught in the numbers game when the team brought in **Wayne Stephenson** and **Gary Inness**. In **Michel Belhumeur's** case, it was Father Time that caught up with the former Flyer and Caps goalie. In the 'Where Are They Now' category: **Larry Sacharuk**, who is reputed to have one of the hardest shots in all of hockey, is toiling for the Flames' farm team in Birmingham. 'Satch' once scored 20 goals as a defenseman for the St. Louis Blues but his less than lacklustre defensive play cost him an opportunity to play in the NHL on a regular basis. Larry's teammate, **Paul Henderson**, might deserve one last hurrah around the NHL. Henderson was a big hero in Toronto when he played for the Leafs. **John Ferguson**, general manager of the Winnipeg Jets, raided the New York Rangers (he coached them a few years ago) when the Jets entered the NHL. Tulsa, Winnipeg's CHL farm team, has **Lindsay Middlebrook**, **Randy Mohns**, **John Bethel**, **Mark Heaslip** and **Benoit Gosselin**, all former Rangers property.

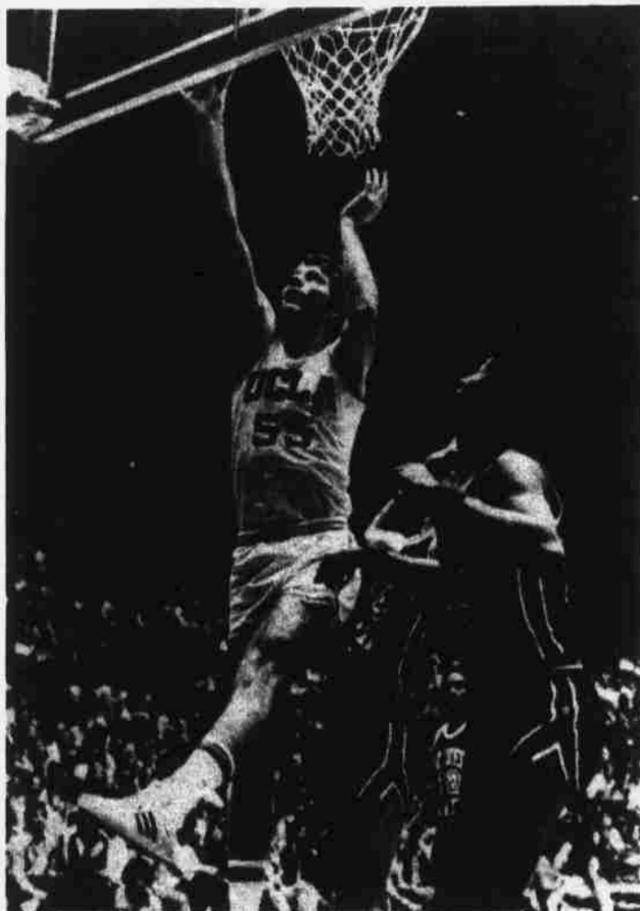
HOOPSTERS—Although **Pete Maravich** has had his share of crippling injuries, it hasn't prevented the Jazz-man from bombing three-point field goals at a 60 percent clip. Denver's **John Roche** has also done well from the homerun range, giving the Nuggets an extra added dimension on offense when the going gets rough. John, who once played a hero's role with the old New York Nets, retired a few years ago to pursue a business career, but was summoned back into the NBA this year. J.R. could be the comeback player of the decade. **Cedric Maxwell** has finally become a bonafide star with the Celtics. He's shooting at a torrid 60-plus percent from the field. The Los Angeles Lakers have the best team field goal average. Once again the San Antonio Spurs lead the league in points scored per game—119. The Knicks look like a ticking time bomb that's about to go off at any time. Could **Daryl Dawkins'** recent encounter with a shattered backboard be made into a movie called 'Heart of Glass'?

SPORTS QUEST—Q. What's happened to the Islanders? Are they going to trade **Glenn Resch**?—B.M. Timmins, Ontario

A. The Long Island squad is suffering from a severe case of complacency, which will prompt G.M. **Bill Torrey** and coach **Al Arbour** to make some changes. Hopefully this will shake the former Stanley Cup contenders out of their coma. Resch might be used as trade bait, but **Bill Smith** isn't untouchable either.

Send your questions to: **SPORTS QUEST, TV Compulog, P.O. Box 123, Lyndhurst, N.J. 07071.**

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Kiki Vandeweghe (No. 55), the top returning scorer for PAC-10 power UCLA, will lead the Bruins into action when they clash with inter-sectional rival DePaul—a re-match of last year's NCAA West Regional final—in the first of 13 nationally televised 1979-80 regular season games on NBC-TV, Saturday, Dec. 15.

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