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2. Scott Harvey, Dearborn Heights, Mich., Ralph Beckman, Ann Arbor, Mich., Barracuda—eight points.

3. Paul MacLennan, King, Ont., Jim Peters, Burlington, Ont., Rambler—16.

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8. Tony Fall, Berkshire, Denis Johnson, Mt. Royal, Que., BMC 1800—50.

9. Hunter Floyd, St. Albert, Alta., Lutz Ecker, Don Mills, Ont., Rambler—51.

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Two cars roll in Shell rally

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Two cars rolled over in mud while others got lost after children apparently turned directional arrows around.

The cars left Regina late Sunday night on a 900-mile run to the Lakehead, the longest leg of the 4,000-mile rally.

Early yesterday, a Renault driven by John Cross, of London, Ont., and Charles McLaren of Toronto, rolled over and was demolished in the valley.

Tony Fall of England and Denis Johnson of Montreal in an Austin 1800 rolled their car, but got it back on its wheels and continued on the route. There were no injuries in either accident.

Moved Signs

At the end of the valley, some directional arrows were changed and many rallyists went on a detour which took them miles off course.

After talking with drivers at the Winnipeg lunch stop, rally organizer Jim Gunn said there would be no penalties for that section, pending a check with officials on the rally route about the sign changes.

At Winnipeg, Paddy Hopkirk of Ireland and Mike Kerry of Toronto in a Mini Cooper S were in first place with three points, all picked up on the first leg which started Sunday night in Calgary.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Turbines running on slippery track

This also happened in the wonderful world of sports on Monday, June 3, 1968:

MOTORSPORT: The rules committee of the U.S. Auto Club voted to ban turbine engines from USAC racing events, which includes the Indianapolis 500. Final action now is up to the USAC board of directors. USAC president **Thomas Binford** said he might call a meeting of the board around July 1 to consider the proposal. Two years ago the rules group asked that turbines be outlawed, but the directors refused to ratify the suggestion.

In Crystal Palace, England, **Jochen Rindt** of Austria led from start to finish and won an international Formula Two race with an average speed of 93.69 m.p.h. Driving a Brabham Ford, Rindt covered the 90 laps in one hour, 20 minutes and 6.8 seconds, Britain's **Graham Hill** was knocked out of contention when, for the second time in five days, his car lost a wheel. The first came in the Indianapolis 500.

Paddy Hopkirk of Ireland and **Mike Kerry** of Toronto are still leading the Shell 4,000 cross-Canada car rally.

The team, driving a Mini Cooper S, have three points which were picked up on the first leg Sunday. The drivers stopped in Fort William, Ont. last night.

GOLF: **Bobby Lunn**, who picked up \$23,000 Sunday in the Atlanta Classic, moved into the top 10 money winners in professional golf with a total of \$57,931 for sixth place.

TENNIS: **Rosemary Casals** of San Francisco and **Françoise Durr** of France were victims of upsets in the French tennis championships in Paris. **Elena Subirats** of Mexico beat Miss Casals 6-4, 6-3, and became the first amateur to beat a professional in women's tennis. Miss Durr lost 6-3, 6-3, to Australia's **Gail Sherriff**.

BOATING: A South African sailor in a 3,000-mile solo race across the Atlantic reported that his 50-foot ketch was "in dire danger" 300 miles out of Portsmouth. **Bruce Dalling**, 29, reported by radio that the boom and winches were jammed. But he added: "I will not turn back now."

Meanwhile, Navy Lt. **Leslie Williams** was reported to be in the lead in his 53-foot sloop, the Spirit of Cutty Sark.

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IRISH LEADER

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They Took To The Air

By Pentti Lund

T-J SPORTS EDITOR

Perhaps the Japanese have even heard about the condition of some of our roads here in Northwestern Ontario.

Nippon TV Network of Tokyo sent a five-man crew here to cover the Shell 4,000 mile rally and two members of the crew, Kazuo Gomi and Etsuo Ishikawa chartered an airplane in Winnipeg and flew over the route here instead of driving the 450-mile stretch.

Really though, it wasn't because they were afraid to drive through Northwestern Ontario. They took the aircraft so they could take aerial shots of the rally.

Gomi, who speaks perfect English, said they will be showing the film of the rally back in Japan.

Driver Jim MacLennan and navigator Jim Peters were the first to arrive at the refueling stop here. The 33-year-old North York fireman, recognized as Canada's top rally driver and his navigator pulled in at 7:35 p.m. By 9:30 p.m. most of the rallyists had reached Fort William.

Ossie Kluth, proprietor of Ossie's Service where the cars refueled is all in favor of having this type of rally take place each week. He and his men pumped about 1,000 gallons of fuel for the cars in the entire caravan.

MacLennan and Peters were scheduled to leave about 4 a.m. this morning.

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Now that Canada (Montreal) has a major league baseball team several things are worth remembering besides the fact that a total of 114 Canadians have played in US major leagues.

In 1887 when the American Association was considered a major league, James E. (Tip) O'Neill of St. Louis, an outfielder from Woodstock led the league in runs, doubles, triples and homers. His batting average of .492 is the highest in the history of baseball. Bases on balls were counted as basehits that season. He played in 1,023 games.

And closer to home, there was Jeff Heath of Fort William. Jeff played in 1,383 games and hit better than .300 seven times in his career. And incidentally, Jeff played for Boston Braves when I played hockey there.

He was here as a guest speaker at the Legion's first Sports Celebrity Dinner in 1955 along with Jack Jacobs, Jim Russell and Nels Stewart.

Other Canadians who were top hitters in major league baseball are Goody Rosen, Frank Coleman, Nig Clarke, Arthur (Doc) Irwin and Windsor's Reno Bertola, brother of Roger Bertola who is with Air Canada here in Fort William.

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Today's Quiz: Who refereed the Western Canada Junior Hockey finals this year between Estevan Bruins and Penticton Broncos? Give up? Roy Lamore of Port Arthur, a referee in the Thunder Bay Amateur Hockey Association.

I bring this up because this fact may have been overlooked.

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Wrestling promoter Laddie Simkanin who was a hockey goalie here in junior hockey some 25 years ago has been appointed a talent hunter in this area for the Los Angeles Kings of the National Hockey League.

Laddie had a tryout with New York Rangers when he was a youngster. The tryout camp was held in Winnipeg and Laddie's roommate for the session was a homesick 15-year-old youngster from Floral, Sask. You may know him. His name is Gordie Howe.

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It's been confirmed. Frank Marseilles of St. Louis Blues will be here along with Phil Esposito of Boston Bruins for the Canadiens Minor Hockey Association dinner Wednesday at Ortona Legion.

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AT LEAST THE VIEW'S GREAT . . .

Spinning off road, Californians Bill Huber and Zeke Lenn had to sit on sidelines and watch some of the action in cross-Canada car rally. Their car ran off

road during speed section of rally, near Winnipeg. Rally, which started in Calgary, ends Friday in Halifax. (CP Wirephoto.)

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MacLennan, Jones Pace '68 Rally Manufacturers

FORT WILLIAM, Ont. (CP) — The outcome of the cross-Canada rally may depend on a decision from France because of the actions of an Irishman in an English car.

Paddy Hopkirk of Ireland Monday added a new wrinkle in cooling systems to his Mini-Cooper, installing a radiator on the front bumper to boost the car's cooling capacity.

Whether the move is within regulations is under question. If it is not, Hopkirk will be disqualified.

Rally organizer Jim Gunn held a meeting with Robin Wright, steward for the Canadian Automobile Sport Clubs, governing body of motor sport in Canada.

Gunn and Wright discussed the two radiators and talked with Hopkirk and officials of British Motor Holdings, sponsors of the car.

REACH NO DECISION

No decision was reached and Gunn said he will discuss the matter with other manufacturers running cars in the rally and phone the world governing body of auto sport in Paris for

an interpretation of the rule regarding additions to cars.

He said a decision probably will be reached before the rally ends Friday in Halifax.

Hopkirk had problems with his engine overheating on the first leg—from Calgary to Regina—and added the new radiator shortly after the cars left Regina for the Lakehead on the second leg.

At this overnight stop he had lost only four points and held a four-point bulge on Scott Harvey and Ralph Beckman, both of Detroit, in a Barracuda.

Paul MacLennan of Toronto and Jim Peters of Burlington, Ont., in a Rambler American, were third with 16 points.

DROVE WITH FLAT

On a speed section, MacLennan, Canada's best rally driver, went nine miles with a flat rear tire at speeds up to 75 miles an hour.

MacLennan and Harvey lost no points on the 900-mile-plus run here.

Tom Jones of Port Arthur, Ont., and John Medwell of Toronto, in a Rambler American, are fourth with 18 points.

Ewold van Bergen of South

Africa lost four points but held on to fifth place in a Datsun with 24 points.

Tony Fall of England and Denis Johnson of Montreal, in an Austin 1800, slipped to eighth place with 50 points after rolling the car in Saskatchewan.

Both escaped injury and the car was able to continue the race.

DROP TO 62ND

Klaus Ross of Montreal, and John Bird of Toronto, in a Datsun, dropped from sixth to 62nd place. They had transmission problems and had to drive a speed section with only fourth gear.

They went as quickly as possible to Winnipeg and had the transmission fixed, but after the repairs, realized they couldn't make a check-point at normal speed without being disqualified.

Bird called the Winnipeg po-

lice and got an escort which took him through five red lights at speeds up to 60 miles an hour in the downtown area.

However, they lost 1,300 points and now have a total of 1,331.

American Motors holds first place for the manufacturers award with 85 points. Norfolk Enterprises of Hudson, Que., is second with 294 points and the Datsun team is third with 1,433 points.

Fritz Hochreuter of Toronto and Ron Carney of Huntsville, Ont., have 49 points and are tied for first place in the private category in their Porsche with the husband and wife team of Haydn and Sylvia Gozzard of London, Ont., in a Renault.

The rally today goes to Sudbury for its next overnight stop.