

Glasgow was the British starting-point for cars leaving for the Monte Carlo Rally --- and, as always, competitors were prepared for icy conditions on the roads. Over three hundred cars were taking part altogether and more than a hundred were British entries --- among them a team from the Hendon Police College. Preparing for the ice, they took a tip from the circus camel and carried their own sand.

Now --- into the checking-in point, before the start of a mid-winter drive of nearly four days and nights. The Neil sisters were just two of many women drivers cheerfully setting out on the arduous journey. Mrs Richardson was another.

First car away was No. 146 --- a Sunbeam, driven by L. Potter of Berkshire.

There go the Neil sisters.

And this is W. Todd's Ford Zephyr from Northern Ireland.

Almost a non-starter was Dr Mitchell --- who collided with a bus only two hundred yards out --- but for the others it was Monte Carlo --- here we come!