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## ANOTHER TRIUMPH IN THE ALPS -

The outstanding reliability of the Triumph was again demonstrated in the 19th International Alpine Trial, when the highest placed British car was a works-prepared Triumph TR-3 driven by Keith Ballisat and Alain Bertaut. Ballisat was awarded one of the coveted Coupes des Alpes for covering without penalty the 2,350 miles of Alpine roads, often over loose gravel surfaces, in adverse weather conditions, yet keeping to nearly impossible schedules. He finished first in the 1600 c.c. - Unlimited Class, fourth in the General Classification, and was awarded the Cup for the fastest climb of the notorious Stelvic Pass.

Backing up Ballisat in the most arduous motor competition for man and machine on the International Calendar were two Irishmen, Desmond Titterington and Brian McCaldin, who came in second in the Class and eighth in the General Classification in their TR-3. Only 58 cars started as some competitors withdrew before the start in view of the conditions to be faced on the route, and only 25 cars actually finished the course.

These successes carry on a Triumph tradition in this event - in the last Alpine Rally in 1956, Triumphs put up the best performance of any Company in the history of the event. Five cars gained five Alpine Cups, took the top five places in their class and won the Manufacturers' Team Award.

## PHOTO CONTEST -

Pictures are coming in by the dozens in the photo contest for participants of the 1958 Triumph Rally of Europe. Wedgewood tea services are the top prizes, so don't delay in getting your pictures to us if you went on the Rally. The contest closes on Friday, August 15th, and photos received after that date will not be considered eligible. So shoot the shots to us.

## MICHELIN RECAPS -

We have just been informed that the following companies are equipped to recap Michelin X tires: U.S. Tire Supply Corporation, 1162 Grinnell Place, Bronx 59, N.Y.; Hal Moody's Tire Service, 4698 San Fernando Road, Glendale 4, California; Murphy's Inc., 841 Fifth Avenue, Oakland 6, California; and Harbor Tire and Supply Company, 2190 Main Street, San Diego 13, California.

## NORTHWARD HO -

Just to prove that the pioneer spirit isn't dead, TSOA'er R.G. Reid of Newfoundland (St. John's) decided to drive his TR-2 to Alaska and back. He shipped the car to North Sidney and started from there, heading via Edmonton on up to Anchor Point, Alaska which, chums, is just about as far as you can go in North America without pontoons. Road conditions cannot be described in this family publication (sic!) so let it just be said that rocks, nails, pieces of steel from grader blades et al made the trip a truly rough one. Our man says he doesn't think he'll do the trip again - some 12,357 miles in a month - 311 gallons of gas - which he figures gave him 39.733 mpg!!



*It's A Triumph!*

