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Kallstrom had a 3min. 35sec. lead over Lampinen.

At the start of today's stage, the leading British driver was Andrew Cowan (Alpine), winner of the London-Sydney Marathon, who was 10th. Nigel Hollier, of Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire (Alpine) was 12th, and Watford car dealer Brian Culcheth (Escort TC) 16th.

Philip blasts 'poaching gangs'

PRINCE PHILIP warned today of the danger of "commercial poaching gangs" to the diminishing number of wild animals.

He was opening a two-day congress of the World Wildlife Fund of which he is the British national appeal president.

With Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands as president, the fund, and other conservationists, Prince Philip took his place at the Royal Garden Hotel to the sound of a tape recording of Big Ben striking 11.

Peter Scott, vice-president of the fund, told the audience solemnly: "The 11th hour has struck, the 11th hour for all life on earth."

The audience of 750 included explorer Tom Heywood and astronaut Neil Armstrong.

Approval
Prince Philip said of his campaign: "I don't know of any other subject which has gained such universal approval from leaders in all countries."

On the other hand, I know of no other international cause which has such meagre official support, either from governments or from the United Nations.

He said it would not be so bad if more national parks and nature reserves were properly managed.

As anyone concerned with this problem knows only too well, the scars of lack of funds, mismanagement, insufficient wardens, encroachment by ruthless developers, and the operations of commercial poaching gangs keep coming in from all over the world," said Prince Philip.



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Leathrow West Club

BY JOHN MILLER
GUESTS at the Latin Quarter restaurant in Soho got involved in a fight there which ended in tragedy for actress Barbara Windsor, it was

alleged at the Old Bailey today.

The victim was her brother-in-law, David Knight, 20, of Edmonson. Her husband, Ronald John Knight, who runs a club in Charing Cross Road, admitted to police there had been trouble,

Girls 'offered £200 'drug trips'

TWO LONDON sisters were offered £200 each by an international drug smuggler to drive a car to Israel and back. It was claimed at the Old Bailey today.

Mr. Anthony Hidden, prosecuting, alleged that the two sisters were offered more stonoges, particularly girls with driving licences, and a note-book containing particulars in smuggling cannabis into Britain.

The £175 level, 37, an agent, of no fixed address, and Ian Dubey, 28, a director of olive farms, at Twickenham, have pleaded not guilty of conspiring to smuggle cannabis into Britain.

Too greedy
The prosecution alleged that the two sisters were concerned in an international drugs racket in which beautiful girls were used "partly for cover" and "sometimes for pleasure."

The conspiracy came to light, it was claimed, when the smugglers became too greedy and tried to get Mercedes through Customs at Southend Airport without paying the import duty on the car.

In the car's spare wheel and petrol tank was cannabis valued at £40,000.

The girls' names were not given. In the give comparison, two were said to be from one box contained nearly £12,000 in cash, a note-book giving the names and addresses of Lila McFie and her sister who met Levi in November, 1969.

Lila claimed that when he learned that they had driving licences he asked them if they would like to drive a car to Israel and back. They were offered £200 for a week trip. In a second safe deposit at 100, Park Bank, Piccadilly, another £15,000 was found.

Six jailed for migrants' plot

By KENNETH TEW
LEEDS, Tuesday. FIVE Englishmen and an Asian were jailed at Leeds Assize today for their part in a plot to smuggle 40 Indians into Britain.

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Mr. Brian Leary, for the prosecution, said it was "like a bomb" but the girls were a quartet broke out between two groups of boys.

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but said that he was not involved.

Blame for stabbing her brother-in-law was put on another guest, Alfred Zomparré, who is alleged to have murdered him after strenuous efforts to end a row with the bar manager.

Prosecuting counsel told the story when Zomparré, 32, barman of Fellows Road, Finchley, denied murdering David Knight in the Luttrell Bar of the Latin Quarter in Wandour Street on May 7.

He denied, with three other defendants, Ronald John Knight, 36, club owner of Hendon Hall Court, Hendon; John Leonard Knight, 34, snook bar proprietor, of Peabroke Avenue, Hendon; and William John Hickson, 27, scaffolder of Peterstead Close, Stoke Newing, being unlawfully involved in making an affray at the restaurant.

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THE NEWS IN BRIEF

Mothers march to the GLC

YOUNG MOTHERS, some wheeling their children in prams, marched through South London streets today to County Hall to demand to be rehoused.

The women, representing 27 families who live in four-storey blocks of flats due for demolition in Crossfield Street, Deptford, were successful—the tenants' chairman reported afterwards that the GLC Director of Housing had promised they would all be rehoused, and would receive a letter to this effect within a week.

Family divides

MOTHER OF SEVEN Mrs. Elizabeth Headley, 31, of Elizabeth Street, Clarendon, Surrey, is sending five of her children to foster-parents tonight to stay and her husband face eviction from their tied farm cottage and are having to go to relatives.

Wives in court

EIGHT housewives and a man, who with 40 other people formed a human barrier across Fincham Road, Lea Valley, near London, yesterday, in a campaign for a school to be closed and the school closed today in support of the school.

More than 40 mothers formed a human barricade across Wilkes Road, Kilburn, today in a campaign for a school closing.

Water cut off

ABOUT 200 families living at Kingswood Estate, West Dulwich, were collecting their water in buckets today—the fourth since a main fractured.

Strike threat

WORK on London docks could be seriously disrupted because of a strike by stevedores tomorrow. Their threatened stoppage is over a demand for union meetings to be held during working hours. Employers have rejected the demand.

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