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RAIL EXPERT ENDS 8th DAY ON STAND

British Columbia Witness Ranks
High in Test of En-
durance

OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—As an endurance test the examination of D. O. Lewis, the railway expert of Vancouver, before the Railway Commissioners in the freight rates investigation, will rank high in the annals of Canadian courts. Tonight he completed his eighth day in the box; he has been under examination by some of the keenest minds in the legal profession.

Mr. Lewis has been taken up and down the prairies, over the mountains, down the Pacific slope and back again, questioned on every conceivable branch, division and section of railway equipment, operation and maintenance, confronted with one exhibit which appeared to be diametrically opposed to some other exhibit emanating from the same source, claiming one minute that his computations were based entirely on figures supplied either by the railway or by government departments, and the next admitting that the conclusions were his own, prepared at the behest of the principals, the British Columbia government, until bench, counsel, witnesses and auditors were in a condition of mental chaos.

ASKS EVIDENCE EXPUNGED.
The general effect was to produce a feeling of compassion and sympathy for the witness, but in one instance at least this human instinct was heroically stifled, for Mr. Cannon, representing the Quebec government, rose in his place at the counsel's table and calmly moved for the expunging of the entire evidence of this witness from the records on the ground that he had admitted his submission were ineffectual and therefore unreliable.

The Commission, however, ruled that it was not prepared to take any such shortcut to a conclusion and that the testimony must stand for what it is worth.

The Board worked short-handed today, neither Commissioner Oliver nor Commissioner Lawrence putting in an appearance at any stage. Both these commissioners have so far taken keen interest in the proceedings at every stage of this investigation.

RALPH SIFFERLY, comedian, says he thought he was seick as a sailor in "The Blue Eagle," 10 miles out with the Pacific Fleet, but changed his mind after a short sojourn on the hurricane deck of a broncho in "The Canyon of Light."

Muscovite Beauty



A jury of leading artists and beauty connoisseurs adjudged Natalie Barrache the prettiest of all the Russians. That their taste cannot be criticized is evident in this photo showing Natalie arriving in New York, looking westward with expectant eyes toward the California movie lots.

GAGETOWN HEARS FORMER RECTOR

Dr. N. C. Hansen, Portland, Me.,
Returns After 36 Years to
Old Flock

GAGETOWN, Dec. 14.—Dr. N. C. Hansen, a medical practitioner in Portland, Me., and a former rector of St. John's church, was the preacher at evening service in St. John's church on Sunday evening. Dr. Hansen began his duties as rector 36 years ago and served in the parish for nine years.

He took for his text the same words which he had used on the occasion of his first sermon, "He shall be like a tree planted by the waterside, which shall bring forth his fruit in due season." He likened the church here, planted by the riverside by the Loyalist ancestor of the place to the tree of which the Psalmist spoke.

Dr. Hansen mentioned many former prominent members of the corporation of the church who have now passed away after loyal service to the church; and commended the present generation to be optimistic in their outlook.

Dr. Hansen, who was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel DeVeber, leaves on Monday for Portland.

Proceedings Against Tunney Tramped Up

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Convinced that proceedings brought against Gene Tunney, world's heavyweight boxing champion, and six others were "not instituted in good faith," Magistrate Sullivan discharged the defendants today.

Tunney, with his sparring partners in a vaudeville act and officials of the theatre, were arrested on Nov. 29, charged with violating the boxing law by appearing in an unlicensed exhibition.

ARE SELECTING TEAM
Reports relative to the Saint John Fusiliers basketball team are very favorable. The team has practically been selected, but the committee in charge is not yet ready to give out the names. A very good team is promised and it is expected that early in the new year they will begin playing.

LOIS WILSON likes her role in "New York," because in it she pursues the man she loves, makes him love her, proposes to him and finally forces him to marry her.

"I'm tired of playing sweet young things," Miss Wilson says.

Movie Sidelights

By Associated Press.

CLAIRE MacDOWELL is a busy aunt and mother. She played Claire Windsor's aunt in "A Little Journey," has been cast as Joan Crawford's aunt in "The Taxi Dancer," and was Norma Shearer's aunt in "A Slave of Fashion." She was Ramon Novarro's mother in "Ben-Hur" and John Gilbert's mother in "The Big Parade."

ART in motion pictures has been judged by educators worthy of exhibition in the salon of the new Los Angeles public library. Charcoal drawings by leading film artists taken from their work in recreating scenes of the life of Christ for the Biblical picture "The King of Kings," compose the display.

THE eye of the movie camera, keen to expose imitation jewelry, was almost fooled by the film research laboratories. Science discovered that paste gems, if subjected for a time to radium's rays, would out-photograph temporarily the genuine stones. A check of the tests, however, showed the radium necessary for practical application of the discovery would cost more than the precious stones.

VILMA BANKY has mastered the English language so well that she was able to make her first personal appearance in an American film theatre this month.

When Miss Banky came to America about two years ago from Budapest she knew German and French, but only about fifty words of English.

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WHAT'S A MATTER, POP? AIN'T THAT LETTER TO SANTA ALL RIGHT?
SALVATION ARMY DRUM? DOES IT HAVE TO BE A SALVATION ARMY DRUM?
YES, POP—NO OTHER KIND WILL DO!
WELL, WHAT'S YOUR REASON FOR WANTING A DRUM OF THAT KIND?
'CAUSE I WANT TO PLAY IT ON SUNDAYS!!

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES
Oh Well!
By MARTIN
OH! I BET THAT SOME OF TH FELLAS SUREWIND ME LISTEN I'NT IT PRETTY
OH WAIT DEAR—DON'T GO TO THE WINDOW THAT WAY—YOU'LL CATCH YOUR DEATH OF COLD—I'LL GET YOU A WRAP
I WONDER WHO IT CAN BE??

SALESMAN SAM
Just An Off Day
By SWAN
WAKEUP—HERE IT IS 7 O'CLOCK ALREADY, AND I AINT SOLD A WAFFLE ALL DAY.
HEY! WAFFLE MAN!
OH BOY—A CUSTOMER AT LAST
HEY!
YA GOT CHANGE FOR A QUARTER?

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