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A globe-trotting member of the North Wales Model Engineering Society gave his colleagues a fascinating look at the world of steam power, when he showed a selection of cine films at Colwyn Bay.

Martin Harrison, 36, of Prestatyn, is presently home on leave after three months in the Caribbean as second engineer on the Cunard Countess.

His main film was "Steam Trains in China and Japan." Two shorter films on the Blackpool and Fleetwood Transport Festival and the Great Western 150th anniversary run from Swindon to Gloucester, were followed by a film

of the QE2's passage through the Panama Canal.

• Picture: Martin Harrison with a souvenier of one of his earlier steam-chasing adventures — a whistle from a South African 14CRM loco which was being broken up for scrap.