

2-825101

CYPRUS... THE TRUTH.

Another stage is reached in the tangled course of Palestine events. From the British ship **EMPIRE RIVAL** the first parties of illegal Jewish immigrants disembark to landing craft. They are in Famagusta Harbour, Cyprus. Sailing from Haifa, under British Government orders the immigrants are to be kept in camps, pending a decision on their future.

Ancient, hitherto unruffled Cyprus, now enters the troubled orbit of the Palestine problem. To the refugees, there is an inevitable and tragic irony to this enforced internment. It comes at the end of their long journey from European persecution, and when they were within sight of the land they look upon as a National home. Many accept their situation philosophically. More aggressive spirits gather to demonstrate against the authorities. Jostled around in the flurry, the camera records the urgency and unrest which personifies the unhappy question of Palestine.

Through it all, British troops stand by.

Looking on at a quarrel which is none of his making, few will envy Tommy his job in Cyprus.