ANTARCTIC PEPEDLY ON

Outward bound for three years of high adventure, the motor vessel "Theren" prepares to leave Millwall Dock with the advance party of the British Trans-Antarotic Espedition. Nove than 300 tons of stores are being shipped to equip the base at Vahsel Bay.

The "Theren's" ceptain and his wife chat with one of the explorers while the expedition's Auster aircraft is made secure on the deck.

A special snow tractor is also on board. Aircraft and tractors are very useful but on Polar snow you still can't do without the healy dogs. And for the watching crowds, the buskies steal the show. On the quayside, a vet gives a last-minute ineculation.

Here to see them off is Everest here Sir John Hunt talking to Flight Lieutement Healey who will pilot the Auster. The expedition's leader, Dr. Vivian Fushs, will be joined at Montevideo by Sir Edmund Hillary and a New Zeeland party. Good luck to them all!