Mr. JARMAN. Thank you very much.

The CHAIRMAN. Mr. Keith.

Mr. KEITH. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Are you by chance, sir, familiar with the so-called Bonner bill of 3 years ago? Mr. Bonner was chairman of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee and he filed a bill providing for settlement of disputes in the shipping industry.

Mr. WOLFE. I am familiar with the bill, sir, but not sufficiently to discuss it intelligently. I did see it. I heard it discussed some years ago. I do not have a sufficient recollection of it to discuss it.

Mr. KEITH. I would appreciate it if you could discuss this informally with me, comparing it to the Pickle approach to see if there couldn't be some contribution made from that to this particular approach.

Mr. WOLFE. I would be very happy to do the best I can.

Mr. SPRINGER. Would the gentlemen yield?

Mr. KEITH. Yes.

Mr. SPRINGER. I want to see if I can reduce this or compress it further so that we can understand, Mr. Wolfe. I want to get your side on the record.

I read from the second Special Panel appointed by the President these words on page 3 of this mimeographed sheet:

> Indeed, it is our considered judgment that if the duration and the size of the general wage rate increase expressed in percentage terms could be resolved, the amount of adjustment to correct the wage inequity could readily be solved. Our mediation has, of course, concerned issues in dispute as a whole, but the most intractable problem now concerns the duration of the agreement and the amount of the general wage increase.

Is that your belief?

Mr. WOLFE. I believe the general wage increase has been a serious problem. It still is.

I believe the duration is a problem.

But I do not agree that there isn't a very serious problem still in existence in regard to the correction of inequities.

Mr. SPRINGER. So then you disagree with the second Board, at least I take it that you do. You agree with them in two parts but you add one further reservation which you believe is in dispute and it is serious.

Mr. WOLFE. Yes, sir; I do.

Mr. SPRINGER. First, the duration of the agreement. That is one thing. The amount of the general wage increase is the second. And you think there is also a third, a serious difference in the adjustment of inequities.

Mr. WOLFE. Yes, sir; I do.

Mr. SPRINGER. I thank the distinguished gentleman from Massachusetts.

Mr. KEITH. No further questions, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN. The gentleman from California, Mr. Moss.

Will the gentleman yield?

Mr. MOSS. I would be very happy to yield, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN. I would like to briefly ask the witness, Mr. Wolfe, if he would briefly give your understanding of the collective bargaining.