

Dock Caucus in Third Week

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clerks which could definitely become strike issues.

Key issues which have been or are being considered as **The Dispatcher** went to press include:

Length of contract; wages; guarantee of work opportunity; jurisdiction; pensions; medical and dental coverage; holidays; problems of dealing with the mechanization and modernization agreement.

The length of the caucus is to some extent guided by the fact that there are well over 200 resolutions from locals up and down the Coast, which are being considered in conjunction with the report of the Coast Committee.

Other factors taken into consideration in dealing with the demands

and strategy for negotiations is the report of the Container Fact-Finding Delegation which reported on its visit to container ports of New York, Newark-Elizabeth, New Jersey, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

(The Dispatcher will not be able to report on the decisions of the caucus until it has been concluded and delegates return to their home locals to report on decisions arrived at.—Editor.)

SPEAKERS

Two speakers were introduced from outside the union on two occasions.

One was George Barone, international vice president of the International Longshoremen's Association, who brought greetings from New York to the caucus. The other was UE President Albert Fitzgerald. (See above.)