Commander MacLane called with respect to strike of crew of American ship ARTHUR ORR, owned by the Canada Atlantic Transit Company. The ship is loaded with grain at elevator in Calumet and in its present position is blocking elevator. Tug boat company is willing to move ship but union threatens retaliatory action. The master and officers would be able to move ship to anchorage if ordered to do so and owners do not object. The blocking of the elevator is no more serious than tie-up for business in any other strike. There is no immediate danger to ship or harbor, but cargo might be damaged if delay continues too long. Cargo is destined for Canada and Canadian owners of cargo may request action through State Department. Dispatch reporting situation will be forwarded to Headquarters.

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