

# Avro-Orenda Union Bosses To See Frost

Premier Frost will meet three officials of the International Association of Machinists — the union that represents workers at Avro Aircraft Ltd. and Orenda Engines Ltd. — this morning, Peter Podger, IAM business agent, said last night.

Mr. Podger said that unless jobs are found for 11,600 former Avro and Orenda workers a big welfare program will have to be undertaken. About 13,800 were laid off Feb. 20 when the Government announced cancellation of the Avro Arrow program.

"We are going to see the premier in his office at 11 a.m. to seek his help in getting them back to work," Mr. Podger said.

He said he felt that Finance Minister Fleming's announcement in the Commons last Friday that about 1,000 design, research and technical personnel would be rehired by Avro and Orenda, in addition to 2,000 workers previously called back, was "much too rosy."

"Our best information is that only 200 additional top design personnel will be rehired," he added.

The union officials who will confer with Mr. Frost are Harry Graham, Jim McQueen and Mr. Podger.

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