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## 'No Other Work For Makers of Arrow Or Engines'—Ottawa

By BRUCE MACDONALD  
Star Staff Correspondent  
Ottawa, Feb. 20.—The federal government has scrapped the Avro Arrow and its Iroquois engine, Prime Minister Diefenbaker announced in the House of Commons today.

At the same time the prime minister made it clear that the government has no alternative air defence system planned to take the place of the supersonic jet interceptor, raising the threat that thousands of employees of the A. V. Roe and Orenda Engine companies will be thrown out of work.

**Commons Hushed**  
Mr. Diefenbaker, making the announcement to a hushed House of Commons at the opening today, indicated the government's decision to abandon the Arrow was due to a rapidly diminishing need for interceptors and the estimated \$7,000,000 cost each for 100 aircraft.

**\$400,000,000 "Shot"**  
With the death of the Arrow and the Iroquois engine designed to fly it at world record speeds, some \$400,000,000 in development costs will go down the drain.

But this cost is not final because the government will have to pay Avro Aircraft Limited and Orenda Engines Limited a cancellation fee for termination of the contract.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker also disclosed that the government is also negotiating with the U.S. for the right to acquire nuclear warheads with which to arm the Bomarc ground-to-air guided missiles.

**For Full Potential**  
The full potential of these defensive weapons is achieved only when they are armed with nuclear warheads, the prime minister asserted.

The government is, therefore, examining with the U.S. government questions concerning the acquisition of nuclear warheads for Bomarc and other defensive weapons.

He was replying to a Commons question by Lionel Chevrier (L. Montclair-Laurier) concerning the increases announced last night by the CNR and the CPR to take effect March 15.

The increases, filed with the transport board, would boost commuter fares by amounts ranging from about 17 to 37 per cent. They would apply mainly in the Montreal and Toronto areas.

**Against U.S. Law**  
At present U.S. law prohibits the U.S. government from making the warheads available to Canada. The only way they now could be supplied is if they were under the control of Canada.

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## MAY MEAN END OF ORENDA FIRM—AVRO SISTER

Special to The Star  
Malton, Feb. 20.—Contractors and sub-contractors here see the cancellation of the Arrow program as meaning the end of Orenda Engines Ltd., a sister company of Avro Aircraft.

The Orenda company, which has been loaned to produce engines for the Arrow, is with Avro Aircraft, a subsidiary of A. V. Roe (Canada) Ltd.

At the Avro plant a blackout was imposed on news and a hurriedly called meeting of senior executives went into session.

The public address system gave out one brief announcement. Employees in the sprawling plant were told no official word had been received but it appeared the government was dropping the Arrow.

It was stated a second announcement would be made this afternoon.

This was taken by many employees to indicate Avro might announce plans for a new project.

A pretty Avro receptionist was close to tears when she hurriedly called the cancellation. Most employees, however, accepted the announcement without showing emotion.

There were no shouts of protest.

**Charges Sell-Out**  
Pete Podger, business representative of the International Association of Machinists representing 12,500 Avro and Orenda workers, charged that Prime Minister Diefenbaker had sold out the Canadian aircraft industry.

The government's decision to cancel the Arrow program was a violation of the very platform of national development which put Mr. Diefenbaker into office.

Mr. Podger declared that the cancellation of the Arrow was a "sell-out" of the Canadian aircraft industry.

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## Shock For 15,000 As Ottawa Drops Arrow

Officials of Peel county municipalities where many of the some 15,000 Avro and Orenda aircraft workers make their home were jolted today by an Ottawa announcement that the Arrow jet interceptor program is to be terminated immediately.

Reeve Mary Pix of Toronto township was shocked by the report.

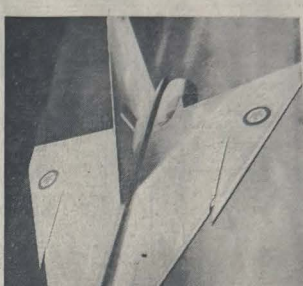
"It is very bad news," she said. "We had hoped all along that production wouldn't have been cut off all at once."

Reeve Pix said she wasn't in a position at this time to say how the effect it will have on the township.

**Hope Other Project**  
"We can only hope now that the government will see fit to provide another defense project to keep the Malton plants in production," she said.

Robert Speck, deputy reeve of Toronto township, said Malton is now at the crossroads. "Its future now depends on an alternate program," he said.

He said it is a terrible blow to the aircraft industry as a whole. "It's a Canada-wide," he said.



## DON'T COME TO WORK MONDAY WORD AT AVRO

All but one or two thousand of Avro's 13,800 employees will be jobless by Monday, authorities at the Malton plant said today.

Company officials said they expected to have an announcement ready "within hours" this afternoon, advising most employees not to come to work on Monday.

Informed sources said the number probably to be laid off would be 11,000.

The lay-off follows on Prime Minister Diefenbaker's statement in Ottawa today that the Arrow program is finished.

A few special projects will keep some hundreds of employees at Avro and Orenda working. These include a \$6,000,000 order for Orenda engines for West German Sabres and some maintenance work for RCAF squadrons.

A few employees will continue maintenance on the "flying saucer" project underwritten by the U.S. air force.

Today was pay day at the Malton plants. Most workers will have one more pay day to pick up the money coming to them for the days worked since the rolls for today's pay-lists were closed.

That rule will be all for the foreseeable future.

## Down The Drain Give Roberts Names On Gambling--Mackey

Metropolitan Police Chief James Mackey said today he is prepared to give Attorney-General Kelso Roberts the names of the organization sponsoring social clubs which are controlled in their directorates by professional gamblers.

The attorney-general asked the Metro chief to meet him and discuss comments the chief made in a panel discussion Wednesday night. Chief Mackey suggested gamblers operating full-scale under the guise of private clubs.

Mr. Roberts told The Star he would take action to suppress a club's license if the chief had sufficient evidence.

Chief Mackey suggested he may also bring up the subject of wire-tapping. He said he would reiterate his private view that the police might in certain cases run down gamblers by getting a flat or some other legal instrument which would allow them to tap telephone wires.

Before the conference began Mr. Roberts said he believed Chief Mackey was merely pointing out the difficulties of enforcing anti-gambling laws when he mentioned Wednesday night at a panel discussion that bona fide clubs become dens for gamblers after under-standable charter exchanges.

The two men met, CCF leader Donald C. MacDonald said that if the attorney-general was going to look into this question, he should also inquire into the activities of professional operators who have gained control of bingo clubs in the province.

"I can see no reason, either morally or legally, why any organization engaged in public service of wholesome kind should be denied the right to raise funds through bingo parties," he said.

"But this situation has gotten out of hand. In some instances, it has grown to be big business, with the operation of the party now in the hands of professionals. As a result, the evening 'take' may reach as high as four or five thousand dollars," he said.

Mean yesterday's 3, 21 below average.

## U.S. Strips Costello of Citizenship

New York, Feb. 20.—UPI—Gambler Frank Costello, 68, has been stripped of his American citizenship today by federal court order.

The alien gambler is currently in Leavenworth serving a five-year sentence for tax evasion.

Federal Judge Archie Dawson held Costello "misrepresents his character and a 1915 conviction for carrying a concealed weapon."

The action paves the way for the government to proceed with deportation plans.

**STOP THE PRESS NEWS**

A. V. Roe stock at mid-afternoon sold at \$11.62.

Windsor—Flu, measles near-epidemic in schools.

Substantial pay increase for provincial police to be announced Wednesday.

Ottawa—Labor Minister Starr says 25,000 persons put to work under winter works program.

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## WEATHER—SUNNY, MILDER

FRIDAY-SATURDAY  
The Toronto and vicinity forecast is: Mainly sunny today. Saturday cloudy with sunny intervals and milder. Occasional periods of light snow from early morning on. Winds light, veering to morning, westerly 20 Saturday.

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THE SIEGE ENDS. Caledon youth, Jim Torrance, 18, is subdued by reporter Russ Cooper and an OPP officer to end wild four hours at his farm home.

Watching capture at right is his mother. Rifle lies in foreground. Bolt which came out during struggle can be seen beside the provincial officer's foot.

## Farm Youth Holds Parents, Reporters Police At Gun-point

Special to The Star  
Caledon, Feb. 20.—An 18-year-old youth climbed a four-hour police tear-gas siege of his home yesterday by threatening to kill his parents, an OPP officer and three Star newsmen.

Moments before he was subdued, the youth aimed a rifle at the backs of Star reporters Juan Lavery and Ron Layner, and told them to "start walking down an isolated country lane in nine-below-zero weather."

Standing to one side, hands raised, were his father and mother, P.C. Wilmet Ferris and Star photographer Robert Landale.

"We couldn't move an inch," said P.C. Ferris later.

Russell Cooper, a Telegram reporter who is also a special Peel county constable, and was usually armed, was prowling around behind the home when he suddenly came upon the tense scene and was also told to "start walking."

Cooper, who lives nearby, was acquainted with the youth. He started for the laneway, but suddenly grappled with the boy when he found himself within arm's reach.

P.C. Ferris grabbed the gun and a baseball bat the youth was holding and then handcuffed his hands behind his back.

Earlier in the day, the quiet Caledon youth, who is 15, ended a four-hour siege of a farmhouse with police, cars, tear-gas, officers' borders of reporters and newspaper aerial photo planes.

It started with an argument between the youth and his father over a sick horse. When the father threatened to shoot the animal, the boy ran about the house shouting and searching for a rifle which he hid under an upstairs bed.

His mother, alarmed, fled to a neighboring house, where she called police.

Port Credit OPP officers Stanley Knight and Ken Suda, who were nearby, answered the call. They were first driven away from the doorway when the boy threatened them with a baseball bat, and then radioed for help when he aimed the rifle at them, threatening to "blow off your heads," police said.

Six police cars arrived on the scene. Armed with riot-guns, tear-gas shells and revolvers,

## MAY SUSPEND RISE IN FARE FOR COMMUTER

Ottawa, Feb. 20.—(CP)—Transport Minister Hees said today there is a "good likelihood" the board of transport commissioners would suspend a boost in railway commuter rates pending a hearing, if there were a protest to the board.

The boy returned to the house once more, only to be overpowered and handcuffed.

The youth was questioned in the home by police then taken in a cruiser to Peel county jail in Brampton. He will be given a mental examination.

His parents said he had been subject to moody spells and headaches ever since he was hit on the head by a baseball bat at a game three years ago.

They had been in the house only a few minutes when the youth returned, held them all a gun.

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## GOING TO SHOOT YOU? 3 Star Newsmen Escape 'Last Walk'

By IVAN LAVERY AND RON LAYNER  
Caledon, Feb. 20.—It was all so homey and pleasant. Except for the lingering smell of tear gas.

Moments before we had been with a force of 15 provincial policemen as they ended a four-hour siege of a farmhouse with police, cars, tear-gas, officers' borders of reporters and newspaper aerial photo planes.

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