



FALL OF AN ARROW

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In a senseless act of vandalism the six flyable Arrows were hacked into scrap. Just two months earlier Prime Minister Diefenbaker had cancelled the entire Arrow and Iroquois project—a political blunder whose enervating effects on Canadian industry are still in evidence twenty years later.

As though to dispose of evidence that might be used against them later, the government ordered the destruction of everything associated with the project, including the six completed aircraft. The last of these, the first Arrow to be fitted with the powerful Iroquois engine, could clearly have captured for Canada the world's speed, altitude, and climb records.

