Wintermeyer Asks Committee Preserve Avro

John Wintermeyer, provincial Liberal leader, said last night he would ask the Legislature Monday to set up a non-partisan special committee of the House to meet with Avro officials to determine ways of preserving the aircraft industry for Ontario.

Such a committee, he explained, should take immediate steps to investigate how to save the large body of trained workers left unemployed by the Arrow's cancellation. Every effort should be made, he added, to see that these skilled workers were not lost to the industry by moving away.

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Regardless of whether the Arrow or any other military aircraft were manufactured, Mr. Wintermeyer declared, it was vital to Ontario and Canada that the industry be preserved. He suggested the Provincial Government make immediate representations to the Federal Government for the same purpose.