

Mr. BRACKEN: Will the minister indicate later how many persons left Nova Scotia under that plan prior to the time the 2,600 left?

Mr. MITCHELL: I shall be glad to give my hon. friend the numbers, and where they went, perhaps tomorrow.

Mr. GRAYDON: May I ask the Minister of Labour a supplementary question with respect to the movement of labour from Nova Scotia? Does he not think that this would be a good time, when there is need of work in that part of the country, to begin construction of the Canso bridge?

HUMAN RIGHTS

REPLIES RECEIVED FROM PROVINCIAL ATTORNEYS
GENERAL AND LAW SCHOOLS TO LETTER SENT
OUT BY COMMITTEE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. J. G. DIEFENBAKER (Lake Centre): I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Justice. In regard to the replies which have been received since November 1 to the letters sent out by the committee on human rights and fundamental freedoms to the attorneys general of the various provinces or to deans of law schools, will he table these replies?

Right Hon. J. L. ILSLEY (Minister of Justice): Yes, some additional replies have come in, one as recently as three or four days ago. Tomorrow I shall table all the replies that have been received.

VETERANS AFFAIRS

COMMITTEE TO INQUIRE INTO BRAEFoot PROJECT

On the orders of the day:

Mr. G. R. PEARKES (Nanaimo): Will the Minister of Veterans Affairs give an answer to the question I asked on January 27 regarding the appointment of a special committee to inquire into the Braefoot project?

Hon. MILTON F. GREGG (Minister of Veterans Affairs): Mr. Speaker, the persons who are carrying out the investigation are meeting in Victoria today. I shall give the hon. member a further reply tomorrow.

BARBARA ANN SCOTT

WINNER OF EUROPEAN, OLYMPIC AND WORLD
WOMEN'S FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. J. T. RICHARD (Ottawa East): Mr. Speaker, I think it is only fair that before I put my question to the Prime Minister I

should pay particular tribute to a lovely lady from Ottawa who has become the queen of the skating world, Barbara Ann Scott. As the member for an Ottawa seat, the one in which the Minto skating club is located; and also as the owner of the first pair of fancy skates worn by Barbara Ann Scott. I am proud indeed to pay tribute to the fairest lady of this country. My question to the Prime Minister is whether any suggestions have been made to him with regard to the tribute to be paid to Barbara Ann.

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, when Miss Barbara Ann Scott won the European championship and the Olympic championship I sent her a telegram on behalf of the government and people. Yesterday I sent another one to her, this time on the winning of the world championship. Hon. members would, I am sure, wish it to appear on *Hansard*. It is as follows:

Dear Barbara Ann: All Canada is prouder of you than ever. Once more warmest congratulations upon winning for the second time the world championship in figure-skating contests. Your triumph is shared by all your fellow-Canadians who now await your return to accord you a truly national welcome. I extend these congratulations on behalf of the government as well as on behalf of the people of Canada. In the world arena of sports you have indeed brought high honour to our country and to yourself.

W. L. Mackenzie King

I may say to my hon. friend that I have had some suggestions as to the recognition that might be given to Miss Scott when she returns; among others the communication from himself, received only a few minutes ago, and no doubt there will be other suggestions made. By the time Miss Scott returns I hope it may be possible to have general agreement on the form of recognition by the capital of Canada, representing the people of Canada, which it would be advisable she should receive.

Mr. McIVOR: I should like to ask another question. Would it be possible for her to appear before the House of Commons or the Senate?

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: Mr. Speaker, I think I might promise to take my hon. friend and introduce him privately to her any time he wishes.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. RODNEY ADAMSON (York West): On Friday night there was some debate as to whether Bill No. 3 or Bill No. 7 would come