



THE OLDEST AND the youngest members of the 164th Battalion of Halton and Dufferin who attended the annual reunion at Acton Legion Saturday are Robert Hastilow, 91, and Norm Sanderson. They hold their battalion emblem.

Of 750 in battalion 26 at reunion Sat.

Favorite stories of 59 years ago were retold and memories relived Saturday when 26 veterans from the 164th Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force, gathered for another reunion. Battalion association president Dr. Allan J. Buchanan arranged the heart-warming meeting in Acton Legion and it will be held here again next year. The group didn't even bother with elections this year. They are satisfied with the officer they have, Dr. Buchanan as president and Fred Scott of Toronto as secretary. Mr. Scott is only the second person to hold the

post of secretary since the reunions began in 1928. The first was Quartermaster Graham, who incidentally had been Dr. Buchanan's teacher in high school in Grand Valley. These reunions were originally started in 1928 by the Sergeants' Mess, but now any vets of the 164th are welcome. Start with 750 There were 750 of them in the beginning, handsome young men who had just enlisted to serve their country. There were just 26 clear old friends here together Saturday. Last year at Orangeville there were 33. You never know how many

will come. Dr. Buchanan explains. "You don't hear what's become of them until you all get together." The Legion Ladies had a fine roast beef dinner ready for plenty. The vets spent most of the time chatting and showing old pictures. Oldest The oldest here was Bob Hastilow, Grand Valley, who was a sergeant in the 164th. He's 91. Last year's oldest vet, at 85, wasn't here this year. But his World War I friends learned happily he hadn't died—he was away on a trip. Two of the 164th vets live in Acton now, Dr. Buchanan,

Church St., and Bob Stewart, Rosemary Rd. Dr. Buchanan lived in Grand Valley when he enlisted in 1916. Bob Stewart lived here and worked at the Free Press. He has been away from Acton for years and returned to Acton just recently. He was a bugler. (And he and his wife just won \$1000 in the last Olympic lottery!) Battalion The 164th battalion was formed in 1916 and recruiting began through its area: Acton, Oakville, Georgetown, Burlington, Milton, Orangeville and Shelburne. The whole battalion congregated for the first time in Orangeville fair grounds in

June of 1916 and in July they moved by train to the newly built Camp Borden. In October they set out on foot to march to Hamilton, billeted in towns all along the way. They stayed overnight in Acton, and Dr. Buchanan proudly remembers sleeping in the old United Church basement. They went overseas together in April of 1917 but when they went from England to France they became separated. One of their officers was here Saturday, Lieut. Chambers of Oakville. Honor Dr. Buchanan laughs at the honor of the presidency was bestowed upon him. He missed one of the reunions when Mrs. Buchanan was ill, only to discover he had been made vice president in his absence! Each year the numbers dwindle, but he'll be making plans for another session of handshakes, tales and camaraderie next year.

Grant to region cut

Halton region will receive about \$400,000 less in provincial grants this year than expected, it was revealed at a recent administrative committee meeting.

According to Queen's Park, Halton received \$200,000 more last year than the region was entitled to because the chargeback fee for water and sewage costs

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Old soldiers never die



MEMBERS OF THE 164th Halton and Dufferin Battalion pose for a photograph at their annual reunion at Acton Legion Saturday evening. From left to right are, front row, M. H. Fennell, Fred E. Larter, R. C. Wansborough, Frank Burgess, Robert Hastilow, A. W. Adair, Harold Heath, Joe

Tory, William Wheeler. Row two, Fred Scott, H. R. Gore, H. A. Glover, S. B. Lomas, W. J. Hall, A. W. Allen, J. H. Chambers, and M. S. Marshall. Row three, Jim Eastwood, Dr. Allan Buchanan, Elmer Bryon, Vic Phillips, Frank Ridley, Norm Sanderson, and Bob Stewart.

Ombudsman won't battle

Ontario Ombudsman Arthur Maloney has decided there is nothing he can do to help a group of concerned parents in Halton who are fighting the \$300,000 expansion at the Halton Board of Education headquarters in Burlington.

Concerned parents Betty Fisher and Christine Louth, Georgetown, defeated Halton-Burlington NDP candidate William Johnson and Halton-Burlington MPP Julian Reed met with Maloney and members of his staff in Toronto Thursday to discuss the parents' fight to halt expansion at the board headquarters and other education matters.

In an interview Monday, Reed said Maloney had contacted him and told him the problem was outside the realm of the Ombudsman's office. He informed Reed however that he will send a letter to the parents suggesting various courses of action including hiring a lawyer.

"I went with the group because they are my constituents. All the credit on this must go to them and I think Mr. Maloney gave them a very fair hearing. I am very encouraged and expect a lot of good things to come out of the Ombudsman's office. To the people in the group I am their MPP and it was my duty to represent them at that meeting," Reed said in explaining his role in the meeting.

"This has nothing to do with the Renaissance group and I am here to help people in this region who are seeing their taxes wasted by the Halton

Board of Education," Johnson stated.

Mrs. Fisher, well known education critic and former chairman of Georgetown Concerned Parents and a recently resigned member of the executive of the Halton Renaissance Committee, said the movement among a small group of parents who are picketing the Burlington board headquarters has nothing to do with the Renaissance Committee.

"We met with Mr. Maloney and three legal advisers and communications director for the Ombudsman's office Ken Cavanaugh and we were very pleased with the meeting," she said.

Outlining the topics discussed with Maloney during the two hour meeting she said the lack of education basics, the fear teachers in Halton have about speaking out against the board, and the use of taxpayers money to expand board headquarters instead of spending the money on school children, were all delved into.

"At times the Ombudsman found our evidence was incredible. Often he tested our own dedication to the cause to see what avenues we have followed in our battles with the board. We told him we have tried meetings, surveys, publicity and other means. He promised to look at our case and suggest ways we can fight the board," she stated.

Mrs. Fisher said one thing which really interested Maloney was the problem of teachers being afraid to speak out.

Cabinet shuffle - new ministries

Ontario Premier William Davis' Tuesday morning game of musical chairs in the Ontario Cabinet sent two Halton MPPs into new cabinet posts.

Davis appointed Jim Snow, the former member for Halton East now representing Oakville, as Minister of Transport and Communications. Snow has held the government services portfolio for about five years.

George Kerr of Burlington South riding, former solicitor-general in the cabinet, becomes Minister of the Environment - again. He held that post four years ago until moving to the solicitor-general's seat.

Kerr used to represent Halton West in the legislature until Sept. 18 when redistribution moved him into his hometown Burlington and Jim Snow switched to win the new Oakville riding.

Morrow blasts spending

Halton Hills Councillor Ric Morrow blasted a proposal by Oakville's Terry Mannell that would have encouraged the federal government to spend part of the \$400,000,000 earmarked for the Pickering Airport.

"Some people's ideas about where dollars come from are beyond me," Morrow told

Halton Regional Council at the meeting Wednesday.

He blasted Mannell's idea about seeking funds for urban transit. He went on to say that Canadians are the highest taxed people in the world.

Morrow favored a plan that would see the \$400,000,000 not spent, but returned to the

people in tax reductions. He criticized proponents of a scheme to use the money on urban transit.

"Why do people always try to find ways to spend money on unproductive things?" he asked.

After Morrow's speech the motion was defeated and received very little support.

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