

Co-Author Of 'Verdict' Leads Diversified Life

By RON WALLACE
Remember Evelyn Dick, who was acquitted of murdering her husband, only to be convicted of killing her newborn child? How about Wayne Ford, the youngster who killed his mother and dumped her body in a lake? Or the confusion when Richmond Hill Police Chief Robert Robbins "borrowed" seven copies of Fanny Hill from a bookstore and sent them to the Advisory Board of the Ontario Attorney General's Committee on Indecency?

Each of these stories, and it's a real-life case, join eight other revealing Canadian trials in a new book called "Verdict." The book, which is now on sale, is co-authored by John Kettle, 104 Richmond Street, Richmond Hill.

While a major court will provide its own dramatic moments, Kettle, and his partner, Dean Walker, have given their stories more bite with background information, and, in places, a touch of humor.

Kettle, who has had some 20 years in the reporting and journalism field, said the cases in the book were selected to represent the whole of Canadian life. They cover such controversies as civil rights, politics, religion and obscenity.

But Kettle is more than just an author.

He is one of 40 Canadian members belonging to the World Futurist Society. Kettle said the TV series will air comments from about 40 persons throughout the world, all described as futurists. Kettle maintains that the fu-

ture can be decided right now. "Some technologies, such as computers, can't be stopped," he said, "but we could halt further space missions, for example." Kettle will appear on nine of the ten shows, beginning with

the second one January 23. With the new book and now the TV series, one may assume that John Kettle has just about enough to keep him busy.

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RICHMOND HILL AUTHOR JOHN KETTLE

MORE BOOKS
However, the 40 year old freelancer has "a couple more books in the works right now", submits regular articles to magazines, is vice-president and shareholder of Canada Month, and is one of the founders for Canada's first Waldorf School.

Each venture he has undertaken since coming to Canada from England in 1953 is worth a separate story. But the Waldorf School project is his pet. "Of all the things I've done in my life," he said, "I'm proudest of the school."

Few people in this country know the function of a Waldorf School, however such institutions have been flourishing overseas for years. In Willowdale, where the school is located, John's wife Patricia is one of the teachers handling the 73 students. The school has a nursery, kindergarten, and two grades.

In contrast to Canadian elementary schools, the teacher in a Waldorf School follows her students as they advance from year to year. In other words, the teacher you had in grade one could still be with you in grade 13.

SEVEN DIRECTORS
Presently, Canada's Waldorf School has seven directors three teachers and four laymen. However, this will eventually change so that in the future, teachers will make up the board of directors and will own and control the school themselves. Each year the teachers elect a chairman of the faculty, who

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"What we're trying to figure out," Kettle said, "is how to prepare a kid about technologies that haven't even been invented."

The school, the books, the TV shows, are all part of the life of John Kettle.

NEWSPAPERS TRADE MAGAZINES
He worked on suburban London newspapers before coming to Canada, then after he arrived, discovered he couldn't find a job here. Wanting to stay in the journalism field, he began working for trade magazines, such as The Canadian Architect, and Canada Month, both publications which he helped to found.

Markham Council Makes '69-70 Appointments Committees, Boards

Markham Township Council wasted little time at their first meeting of the season in appointing members to the standing committees of council.

The meeting was held Monday afternoon following inauguration ceremonies.

New members of the committees are as follows: Finance, Anthony Roman and Eldred King; Water and Sewers, Allan Sumner and James Jongeneel; Roads, Eldred King and Allan Sumner, and Fire and Property, James Jongeneel and Anthony Roman.

The first name listed after each committee is the chairman. Meanwhile, Donald Matthews of Victoria Square was named as a new member of the committee of adjustment. He will hold the position for three years. The opening became available in December when Hugh MacDonnell of Steeles Avenue East tendered his resignation.

Members of the planning board were also named Monday. They include Councillor Allan Sumner, Frank Brumwell, Victoria Square; Nicholas Belak, South Thornhill; Harry Maynard, Unionville; William Masters, Thornhill; and Napier Simpson Jr., of Thornhill. Reeve Rumble is ex-officio from

year to year. Named to the Markham Township Recreation Committee were George Greer, Thornhill; Art Toogood, Unionville; George Metcalfe, Unionville; Zoltan Berta, Victoria Square; Mrs. L. Greenwood, Thornhill, and Councillors Allan Sumner and James Jongeneel.

In other appointments, Everett Harper of Unionville was named as the Markham Township representative of the Metro Conservation Authority, and James Kearns of Thornhill will begin a three year term on the township library board.

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COMING EVENTS

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JANUARY 21, TUESDAY, 8.30 pm. Wrixon Hall, Bridge and Euchre, auspices of Richmond Hill Chapter O.E.S. \$1 admission, prizes and refreshments. c1w29

JANUARY 24, FRIDAY — Vellore Old Boys' 87th annual dance and euchre, Vellore Memorial Hall, Euchre 8.30 pm. Fergus Lawson's orchestra, modern and old time dancing 9 p.m. Admission \$1.50. Lunch provided. J. B. Plunkett, President; Henry Caseley, Vice-President; Howard Plunkett, Secretary; Jack Williams, Treasurer. *1w29

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Alex Campbell Again Heads Library Board

Re-elected chairman of Richmond Hill Public Library Board for the fourth consecutive year at the annual elections held January 9 was former Councillor Alex Campbell. Mr. Campbell has served on the board for six years. He is a resident of Highland Lane.

Other members of the executive for 1969 will be: Vice-chairman and Treasurer Cam Smith, Chairman of Personnel Committee John Riswick, Chairman Property Committee John Anderson, Chairman Finance Committee Cam Smith, Public Relations and Publicity Mrs. Adele Downey.

Other members of the board include Councillor Lois Haney, Mrs. Robert Fountain, Mrs. Donald Montague and Mrs. Ruth McConkey.

WILLOWDALE: North York Mayor James Service will trade the proposed Avenue Road extension for the Spadina Expressway.

Mayor Service told the Metro Transportation Committee last week he was willing to channel \$7½ million allotted to the Avenue Road project into the Spadina Expressway.

WILLOWDALE: North York Reeve James Service urged the retention of the borough system of government. He said the competition between boroughs to become "top dog" encourages building activity. North York would not have advanced nearly as fast in recent years had it been amalgamated, he said.

Nancy Greene Here Saturday

Nancy Greene, Canada's world champion skier, will be at the Uplands Ski Hole, Thornhill, this Saturday afternoon from 4 to 6 p.m.

Miss Greene winner of the World Cup in 1967 and 1968, will be passing out autographed photographs and talking to visitors about skiing.

The Uplands Ski Hole at the Uplands Golf Club began operations recently and is now open every day and evening except Sunday. The club has three hills equipped with lifts and lights for after work enthusiasts.

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