

Hearing no end to hell

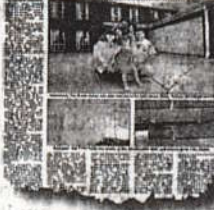
A THREE-HOUR hearing at the Domestic Building Tribunal this week has still not solved the problems of East Keilor's Brian and Susan Dwyer.

The couple had hoped this hearing, which came after three years of dispute between them and Orlit Homes builder Jim Thompson, would stop what they described as "a nightmare".

However, the hearing, conducted by barrister and Domestic Building Tribunal member Roger Young, was unable to resolve the differences between the Dwyers, the Housing Guarantee Fund and the builder.

Another hearing has

A nightmare for home buyers



Our report last week.

been set for December 15.

Brian Dwyer, 35, his wife, Susan, 32, and their four daughters moved into the two-storey, four-bedroom brick home in April 1994.

Six months later

cracks began to open inside and outside the house and a string of experts agreed the foundations were moving.

Lawyers for the Dwyers and for the builder told the *Sunday Herald Sun* the Dwyers, who have been forced to pay \$10,000 in legal and other bills, should not have been involved in the action.

The Dwyers say they are exhausted, and all they want is for someone to fix their house.

After we published the Dwyers' story, the *Sunday Herald Sun* received letters and calls from other consumers with complaints about builders. We will have further reports soon.