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MONROE, MICHIGAN, MONDAY



CENTER OF ACTIVITY — Much of Mrs. Thomas J. Keane's time is spent loading up her 16-foot dining room table for 13 hungry youngsters. Dr. and Mrs. Keane are shown with their children just before mealtime. The Keane children include Mary Angela, 17; Thomas James, 15, Barbara Ann, 14; William Michael, 13; Richard Patrick, 12; Kathleen Ruth, 10; Anthony Joseph, 9; John Paul, 8; Martin Edward, 7; Margaret Ellen, 6; Vincent Donald, 5; Rose Marie, 3, and Therese Michelle, 2. The family lives in Bedford Township and received two awards at a national convention this morning at Detroit.

Dr. and Mrs. Keane, 13 Children

Are Honored at National Convention

(Special to The Evening News)

BEDFORD — Dr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Keane and their 13 children of 1032 W. Temperance Rd. here were proclaimed "Family of the Year" this morning at the national convention of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the American Osteopathic Assn. of Pediatricians at Detroit.

Actually two awards were made to the Monroe County family at the first combined national con-

vention. Mrs. Keane was named 'Mother of the Year' by the osteopathic obstetricians, with the osteopathic pediatricians making the family award. The Keane family was introduced from the convention floor before more than 200 doctors.

It was the first such award made by the osteopathic group at a national convention.

All but 3 of the 13 Keane children missed school today to ac-

company their parents to Detroit. Seven of the children attend St. Anthony's Catholic School in Whiteford Township; two go to St. Mary Academy, and the oldest son attends Catholic Central High School.

Dr. Keane and his wife have marked all but four of their 17 years at Temperance with a new child. The seven boys and six girls range from 17 to 2.

Dr. Keane was graduated from the Kirksville, Mo., College of

Osteopathy and Surgery in 1940. He married Mrs. Keane, a student nurse, and the family spent a year at Frederick, Md., before settling in Monroe County.

Dr. Keane is a trustee of the American College of Osteopathy, president of the Michigan State Osteopathic Society, national convention exhibit chairman, a member of the Southeastern Michigan Osteopathic Society, a member of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists and chief of staff at Toledo's Parkview Hospital.

Locally, Dr. Keane is a member of the Temperance Rotary Club, a fourth degree Knight of Columbus and a member of the Southeastern Michigan Sportsman's Club.

The 21-room Keane home bulges at the seams as the 13 children, Dr. and Mrs. Keane, Mrs. Mary C. Gohl (Dr. Keane's mother)

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Falling Tree Kills Father

**Petersburg Man
Struck Near Home**

A 39-year-old father of

Zero Weather Fails To Halt Construction

(Special to The Evening News)

DUNDEE — A difficult midwinter around-the-clock concrete pouring job was completed on schedule at noon Saturday at the Dun-

dee Cement Co. plant north of the village.

The continuous five-day pour for the crusher building required 1,200 tons of concrete.

The crusher building, 40½ by 39 feet wide with a height of 83 feet



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TIME TO REST — Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Keane of Bedford Township find time to talk over the day's events after their 13 children are tucked in bed. Household duties and a doctor's irregular hours usually make this period late at night. The award-winning family has lived in the township for 17 years.

South-County Family Honored at Detroit

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and Jiggs and Maggi, two bulldogs, lead an active life.

Every minute in the Keane household is an adventure. Mrs. Keane said she has no situations that do not confront families of only one child, except that she has 13 variations of the same problem.

Mrs. Keane has no outside help in caring for her brood. Much of her time is spent around a 16-foot picnic-type table in the family dining area. The problem of feeding active children is all in a day's work for their equally active mother.

A normal chicken dinner includes six hefty fryers and about a peck of potatoes, while a beef roast on Sunday must be of the 10-pound size. Milk and bread are important in any family meal, and the family uses 72 quarts of milk and 25 loaves of bread a week.

Three automobiles take the family to and from work and play. This wasn't always the case Dr. Keane said. Although Bedford Township is the fastest-growing section of Monroe County, he remembers when he first practiced in the then-sparsely settled community, he used sleds, tractors and horses to make his house calls.

Mrs. Keane recalled several embarrassing incidents about taking the children in the car. She invariably counts noses once the car is loaded and several times came out one or two short. The missing son or daughter was asleep in one of the 21 rooms.

Although there are four bathrooms and several showers in the house, the county family still has the problem of a morning race to the bathroom. "They all

like the same one," explained Mrs. Keane.

The Keanes are members of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church at Temperance. Dr. Keane is the church organist and choir director, while four of the sons are altar boys.

Holidays play an important part in the household. Birthdays, Christmas and Easter top the list. Each child has an individual birthday party. Mrs. Keane bakes a lamb cake, the traditional family birthday cake.

The living room floor is crowded at 6 p.m. daily when the youngsters line up in front of the television set for their favorite form of entertainment.

This is probably the last year the Keane family will remain intact. Seventeen-year-old Mary Angela will be graduated from St. Mary Academy this spring. She plans to enroll at St. Vincent's Hospital at Toledo to study nursing.

Dr. and Mrs. Keane are somewhat disappointed the national convention is being held at Detroit this year. Convention time usually means a vacation for the couple. Last year they were at Denver, Colo.

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