

# ... For they are jolly good Faellas



March 17 last year was a big day for the Faellas of Esdale-st., Blackburn — Mrs. Emma Faella gave birth to quadruplets at the Box Hill and District Community Hospital.

Today was **ANOTHER BIG DAY**, because the two surviving quads, Gina and Elena (held here by Mr and Mrs Faella) were celebrating their **FIRST** birthday. That's brother Aldo on the right.

Although the party was to start at 3 o'clock about 20 children had gathered at the Faella house at 9 a.m.

## Still asleep . .

But Gina and Elena were still asleep, so they had to be content to play with Aldo, aged 8.

The quads awoke at 10.30, and Mrs Faella

dressed them in their white party dresses.

"They won't go back to sleep again today, because everybody is so excited," Mrs Faella said.

"I'm so happy they are beautiful girls and they are so good."

Gina and Elena are pretty, dark and wide-eyed. Gina (3 lb. 10½ oz. at birth) is now 22 lb., and Elena (3 lb. 11 oz.) is 21 lb.

They have a birthday cake each, made in the form of a little girl, with "Gina" and "Elena", made of icing, on them.

The other two quads, Elizabetta and Antonio, died within nine weeks of being born.