



Appropriate Way To Open Santa Clara Swim Center

There is a marked lag between the needs of Santa Clara Valley's rapidly growing population and the area's major sports facilities. There are plans, of course, and some highly promising talk.

Spartan Stadium is to be enlarged. San Jose State College is to get track facilities that are more in keeping with the stature of its teams in this sport. There is discussion of a regional sports arena.

But it was the City of Santa Clara that scored a breakthrough by producing

a major facility—the new International Swim Center. It is a gem.

Santa Clara, of course, has been turning out champion swimmers for some years. Santa Clara Swim Club Coach George Haines' athletes now have facilities worthy of their talents.

The Center will get the sort of inauguration it deserves with the Internation-

al Invitational Swim Meet July 7-8-9. Sponsored jointly by the Swim Club and the San Jose Mercury-News, the event is attracting the best swimmers from all over the world.

Competitive swimming has a large following now in Santa Clara Valley. The opening of the Santa Clara facility and the excitement of the International Invitational are sure to intensify interest here and attract wide attention to this area as one of the principal swimming centers of the world.

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