Images of the Month

February, 2011

Aerial Photographs

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County Government Center, September 20, 1956. The bottom of the picture shows the construction of the San Jose City Hall. The airport can be seen at the top left corner.

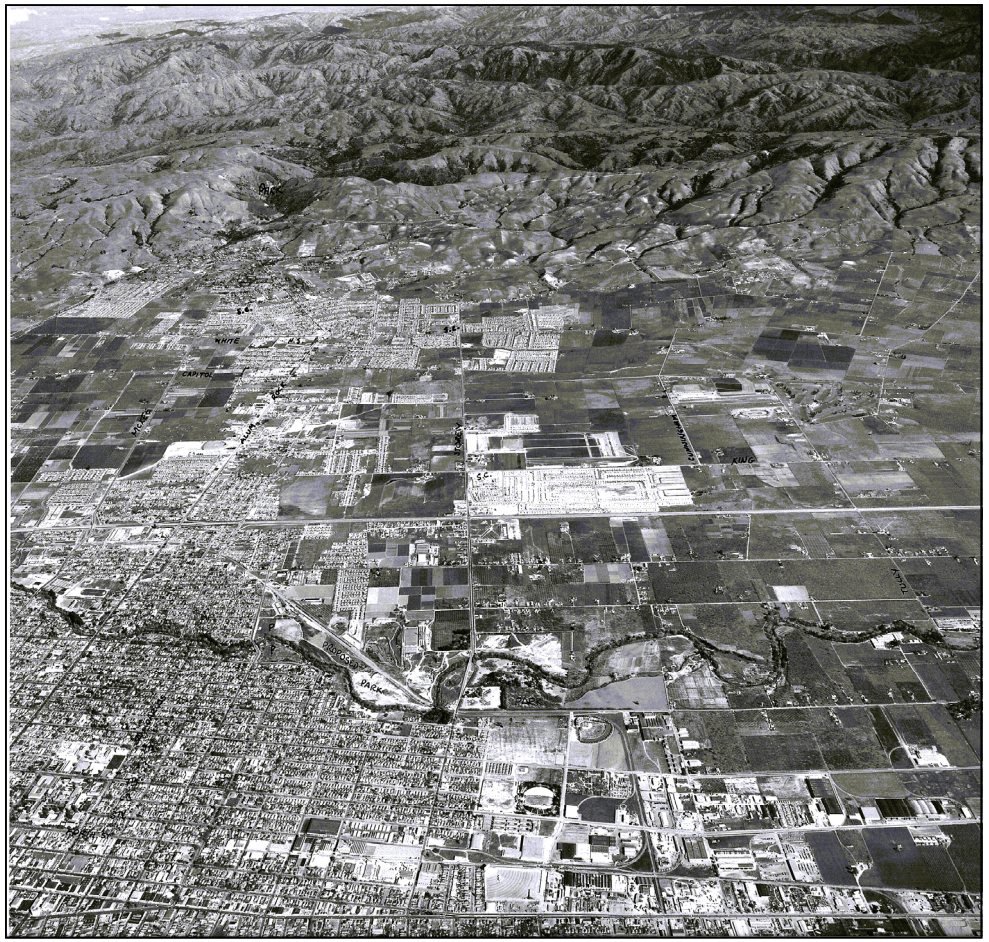
The County Government Center three years later, January 20, 1959. The San Jose City Hall is complete.

Campbell, November 10, 1959. Highway 17 goes through the center of the photograph, with Winchester Blvd. below it. The diagonal street at the top left is Camden Ave.

Campbell, September 4, 1961. Campbell Ave. is on the left hand side, Poplar Ave. on the bottom.

Downtown San Jose, April 4, 1958. St. James park is at the top left corner, and St. Joseph's Cathedral is in the center.

Alum Rock area in San Jose, February 1, 1959. Kelly Park, Spartan Stadium and San Jose Municipal Baseball Stadium can be seen below Coyote Creek. The 101 runs through the center of the photograph.

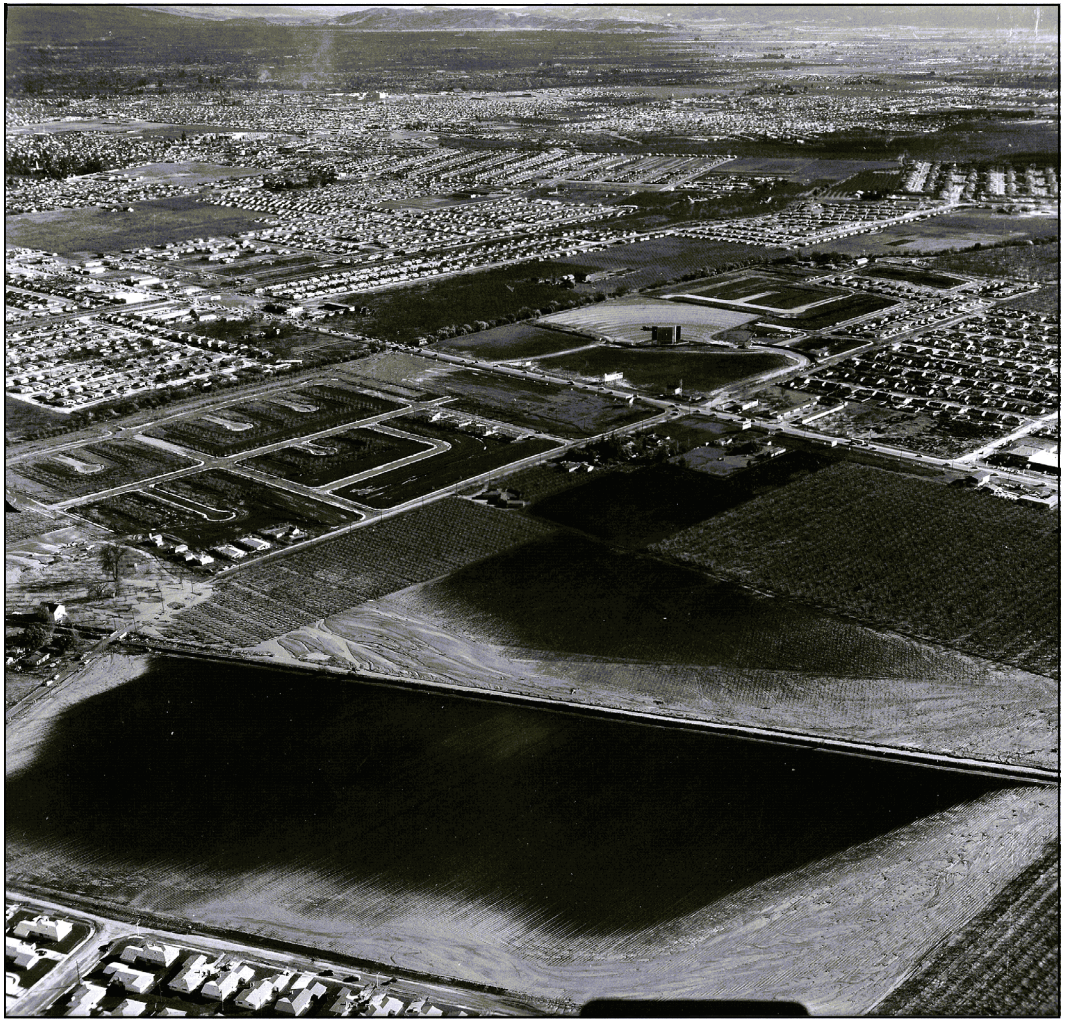


Almaden Valley area, San Jose, 1957. The three roads that create a triangle are Coleman Ave., Redmond Ave., and Almaden Rd. (Now the Almaden Expressway.) The patch of forest in the center is now the Guadalupe Oak Grove Park.

Downtown Saratoga, August 26, 1959.

Los Gatos, circa 1960s. Highway 17 is under construction in the center of the photograph.

Mountain View, April 21, 1958. Moffett Field is at the right hand corner. The El Camino Real runs through the center of the photograph.



Santa Clara, December 24, 1955. The center of the photograph is the intersection of the El Camino Real and Kiely Blvd. The drive-in theater in the center of the photograph no longer exists.

Santa Clara, May 7, 1961. Downtown Santa Clara is at the left. The road separating the fields from the town is Coleman Ave., and Brokaw Rd. intersects through the fields. The fields are currently industrial parks and a Costco.

Downtown San Jose, July 15, 1969. The construction of Interstate 280 can be seen on the center left hand side. The Guadalupe River runs through the left side of the photograph, and the Coyote Creek through the right side. The Los Gatos Creek meets up with the Guadalupe river near I-280. The 101 is to the right of Coyote Creek. The old County Fairgrounds race track is visible near the bottom of the photograph, to the right of Oak Hill Cemetery.