

Churches

First Baptists Break Ground



Wielding the shovel, above, is Laurance Thorp, chairman of the First Baptist church building committee. Members of the church broke ground last Sunday for a new sanctuary and administration building. Participating in the ceremony were Rev. Richard Ice, associate executive minister, American Baptist Churches of Northern California, Inc.; Rev. George Flora, president of the Santa Cruz County Council of Churches, and Eugene Fleming, vice-mayor of Santa Cruz. Roy Thuringer, moderator of the church, presided. It is anticipated that construction will begin around the end of May with buildings ready for occupancy about the end of 1966, according to Rev. Erik C. Madsen, church pastor.