Polio Strikes SJSC; 30 Girls May Spend Xmas In Quarantine

With the prospect of spending the Christmas holidays in quarantine, 30 San Jose State college co-eds are anxiously waiting to see if any of their number will develop symptoms of poliomyelitis, the dreaded "infantile paralysis."

Dean of Women Helen Dimmick disclosed yesterday that one Spartan woman has been removed to a hospital with polio and her 30-odd house-mates have been quarantined by the San Jose City Health department.

The quarantine went into effect sometime Monday night and city officials could not be certain how soon it could be lifted. If none of the other women develops symptoms of the disease, they may be free to go to their homes around Dec. 21. Otherwise their vacations will be spent in the house.

Dean Dimmick said that the quarantine will not pose any problem for the co-eds as far as final exams are concerned. They will receive incompletes for the time being and be able to make up the exams later.