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Today we inspected and accepted two units of the Indian Quadrangle, Adirondack and Cayuga Halls. These augment our on-campus residences by approximately 200 students for the Fall semester. The units were in a lesser state of readiness than previous buildings we have accepted, but they are usable and occupiable, to provide the essentials at the outset, to include laundry room and luggage rooms. The acceptance of course is subject to a punch list of items that remain to be completed, which will be pressed forward as soon as possible. Fortunately, few of these items are in the bedrooms or bathrooms, but are located in such areas as hallways, lobbies, lounges, etc., and therefore will not compete with the sleeping and studying requirements of the students.

It is estimated that full completion of the units cannot be expected until six to eight weeks have elapsed.

All safety requirements have been met, including fire extinguishers, fire alarm systems, hand rails in the stairwells, exit signs and lights, fire hose, etc.

In view of the fact that the steel door company has been on strike for over six weeks, we will start the semester without regular doors in some locations, but provisions are being made for plywood doors which will be fitted with the regular lock system, so that residents may be secured. Draperies will be installed next week and carpet is anticipated shortly after the students take occupancy. However, since carpet goes mainly in the halls and lounges this does not constitute a serious shortcoming for opening.

The residence people have thoughtfully assigned only male students to these two halls, which will vastly facilitate the completion of the buildings with minimal interference with the students. Only the top three floors of residence were accepted as the basement is not yet ready. The acceptance included the electric rooms and the mechanical equipment rooms which are necessary for the use of the building. Surveillance and responsibility for these rooms will be vested in the University effective next Wednesday, 26 August 1970, at 9:30 am, when an orientation, indoctrination and demonstration of the units will be provided for our maintenance staff. All keys have been provided and turned over to the University, suitable sidewalks, connecting the halls in question with the regular University network on the

southeast corner of the podium are now being prepared and should be ready prior to occupancy on 30 August. That portion which we have accepted is now being separated from that portion still under construction by a high cyclone fence, to provide for safety of the students, and for clearance of the work area for the contractors.

Personnel from the Residence Office were invited to attend the acceptance inspection and have been duly briefed on all these matters. Cleaning of the accepted portions has already commenced and the installation of furniture will commence tomorrow.

In summary, the main stumbling blocks on these two halls are now behind us, and we can safely say that these halls can be counted on for occupancy as planned, on 30 August.

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