

They said it couldn't be done. That the new six-story dormitory building never would be ready for use last fall. Especially considering the building strikes, and the delay in receiving key pieces of kitchen equipment.

But "they" were wrong. The new, air-conditioned dormitory with food service and student lounge facilities is very much in use by a total of 46 women resident students.

St. Ambrose has begun an era of hair rollers and sessions, spray perfumes and calorie counters. The era also includes the feminine viewpoint and an academic challenge in the classroom on a full-time, 100% co-ed basis.

The girls have settled in on the third floor of the dormitory. The fourth, fifth and sixth floors, still being completed, will provide total living quarters for 232 students.

Each room contains twin beds, desks, chairs, wardrobe areas and a lavatory. A bathroom with shower connects each of the adjoining rooms.

A separate suite is occupied by the faculty-member residence, Sister Patricia Kennedy, Ph.D., an associate professor of English.

The building offers a dining room capacity for 700 persons. Day students, faculty, and all boarding students from Davis, Hay, Ambrose and East Halls eat in the new building. The former cafeteria in Ambrose Hall has been discontinued.

The "scramble system", a new concept in food service designed to save time and eliminate food lines, is in operation.

The ground floor of the building contains the student lounge, college bookstore, post office, meeting rooms for faculty, student government association, student publications, infirmary and utility areas.

The new dorm is located on the far east side of the campus. The fellows know — because that's where the girls are.