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a Schedule of the Rooms



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WOMEN'S RESIDENTIAL HALLS

GENERAL SUPERVISION

THE general supervision of the women students of Cornell University, whether they live in the residential halls or elsewhere, is entrusted to the Dean of Women. All undergraduate students except those who live in their own homes are required by the University's rules to live in the residential halls. Permission to live elsewhere in Ithaca is granted to an undergraduate student only upon written application to the Dean of Women, and then only in very exceptional circumstances.

Graduate students and special students of mature years can obtain rooms in University houses reserved for their exclusive use. (A list of those houses can be obtained at the office of the Manager of Residential Halls.) The Dean of Women may permit a graduate student or a special student to live in a house not under the Dean's direct supervision if the conditions are found to be satisfactory.

The University wishes to assist all students, including those who do not find accommodation in its own halls or houses, to obtain satisfactory rooms. But the University can not assume any responsibility for the selection of a room in any outside house, not even in a house that is on its approved list. Before leasing a room, the student and her parents should consider carefully all the details—the situation of the house, its distance from the campus, the possibility of finding a good boarding place nearby, the heating, lighting, ventilation, and furnishing of the room, the fire escape, the roommate if there is to be one, and the price and terms of the lease. A standard form of room contracts can be obtained at the office of the Manager of Residential Halls.

THE UNIVERSITY'S HALLS AND HOUSES

The residential halls and University houses which are to be described in this booklet are:

The Residential Halls: Sage College, Prudence Risley Hall, and Balch Halls.

The University Houses: 9 South Avenue, 5 East Avenue, 7 Central Avenue, Risley Terrace, at 308 Wait Avenue, and Risley Cottage, at 613 Thurston Avenue, in the grounds of Risley Hall.

-7 Central Avenue is reserved for graduate women only.

Sage College, opened in 1875, is the oldest of the University's residential halls. The Board of Trustees built it and named it in honor of the late Henry W. Sage, who had given a generous sum of money to provide for the higher education of women at Cornell. It is situated on the campus, in attractive surroundings and within easy reach of all the other University buildings. It accommodates one hundred and ninety students. It is protected from fire by a complete automatic sprinkler system. An electric elevator runs to the upper floors. The common rooms include a drawing-room and six reception rooms, a students' reading room, and dining rooms. The gymnasium and swimming tank for the student women of the University are in this building. The students living in the building are under the immediate charge of the Warden of Sage College.

5 East Avenue is located across the street from Sage College and accommodates eighteen students. On the first floor there are two reception rooms, a suite for the chaperon and a suite with bath accommodating three students. On the second floor there are study-bedrooms for students and two bathrooms. On the third floor there are two single rooms and a suite consisting of a large study and a bedroom accommodating three students. The residents take their meals in Sage College and are subject to the rules and regulations that govern residents of Sage College.

15 East Avenue, directly across the street from Sage College, accommodates twenty students. The residents are subject to the rules and regulations that govern the residents of Sage College. Students living in this house take their meals in Sage College. The house contains four bathrooms—one on the first floor, two on the second, and one on the third. There are two reception rooms on the first floor.

9 South Avenue is situated on the campus within three minutes' walking distance of Sage College. This house accommodates seventeen students. On the first floor there are living rooms and a suite for the chaperon, accommodations for four students and a bath. On the second floor there are accommodations for nine students with two baths. On the third floor there are accommodations for four students with two baths. Students living in this house take their meals in Sage College and are under the same rules and regulations as the residents of Sage College.

Prudence Risley Hall, the gift of the late Mrs. Russell Sage to the University, was opened in the autumn of 1913. It accommodates one hundred and ninety students. It is a fireproof building, beautifully situated on the north bank of Fall Creek Gorge, within easy reach of the main University buildings. Almost every one of the rooms is designed for a single occupant, and the building was so planned that every room in which a student lives receives sunlight at some time in the day. An electric elevator runs to the upper floors. On the first floor are three large drawing rooms, a large recreation room, and

dining rooms. The students living in the building are under the immediate charge of the Warden of Prudence Risley Hall.

Risley Terrace, at 308 Wait Avenue, within two minutes' walk of Risley Hall, accommodates seventeen students. The residents take their meals in the Risley dining room and are subject to the rules and regulations that govern the residents of Risley Hall. There is a bathroom on each floor. Students living in the house have the use of two reception rooms on the first floor.

Risley Cottage, situated within the grounds of Risley Hall, at 613 Thurston Avenue, accommodates ten students. There is a bathroom on each floor and a reception room on the first floor. The residents take their meals in the Risley dining room and are subject to the rules and regulations that govern the residents of Risley Hall.

The Balch Halls for Women, accommodating three hundred and eighteen students, were opened in the autumn of 1929. The University owes its possession of them to the generous interest of two Cornellians, Allen C. Balch and his wife, Janet Jacks Balch, of Los Angeles. The halls are situated north of Fall Creek Gorge, near Prudence Risley Hall. They are built of native stone in the English Collegiate Gothic style, and are thoroughly fireproof and of modern construction and appointment. They are in four units, each unit under the charge of a warden and each having its separate reception hall, living room, and dining room. In addition to ample bathrooms in all corridors, each room or pair of rooms has a hand lavatory with running water. In some cases the lavatory serves two rooms which communicate with it on either side but which are otherwise separate from each other.

FOR GRADUATE WOMEN

7 Central Avenue is located just south of Willard Straight Hall and accommodates eight students. It is reserved for graduate students only. There are two bathrooms, one on the first floor and one on the second floor. There is a reception room on the first floor. Residents are subject to the rules and regulations that govern the residents of Sage College.

FURNISHINGS OF THE ROOMS

All the buildings have steam heat and electric lighting. Every room is completely furnished. Four single or two double all-wool blankets are supplied to each student. Students who wish additional covering should supply it themselves. Each student furnishes her own towels and soap and makes her own bed. All other service and supplies are included in the charge for residence. The student is advised to bring with her a comfortable, a hot water bottle, and an inexpensive napkin ring.

Telephone service is available to every room. There is no charge to students for incoming calls. A charge of five cents a message is made for outgoing local calls. Each student is responsible for the

payment of all telephone calls made from her extension. The regular toll rates are charged for all long distance calls made through the dormitory switch board. The dormitory switchboard serves Balch, Prudence Risley, and Sage Halls for women, the Baker Group, Founders, Boldt Hall, Boldt Tower, Memorial, Mennen Hall, Lyon and McFaddin Halls for men, together with the offices of the Dean of Women, the Manager of Residential Halls, the Treasurer, and the Medical Advisers.

APPLICATION FOR ROOMS

Applications for rooms are received only at the office of the Manager of Residential Halls, Morrill Hall, Ithaca, N. Y.

Students matriculating in or after 1928.—An application for a room, if made by or on behalf of a candidate for admission to one of the colleges of the University in 1928 or afterward, will be entertained only after that candidate has deposited with the Treasurer of the University the \$25 which the University requires all such candidates to deposit. Under a rule effective in 1928, the Treasurer holds \$15 of the deposit, after the student's matriculation and until graduation or permanent withdrawal, as a guaranty fund, which, among other purposes, serves to insure the return of keys and to cover any damage to building or furniture beyond ordinary wear and tear by a student occupying a room in a University building.

Students matriculated in or before 1927 and graduate students.—An application for a room, if made by a student matriculated before 1927, must be accompanied by a deposit of \$10; the application will not be registered unless the deposit accompanies it.

If the lease is executed and the student occupies the room, the deposit is held until the end of the year to insure the completion of the lease and the return of keys and to cover any damage beyond ordinary wear and tear. *If the application is withdrawn before September 1 for any good and sufficient reason beyond the student's control, the deposit is returned. After September 1 no deposit will be returned.*

ASSIGNMENT OF ROOMS

Rooms are assigned strictly in the order of application. No double room can be held by one person, even though she may be willing to pay the full price. The University reserves all rights in connection with the assignment or reassignment of rooms or the termination of their occupancy.

CHARGES

A single charge of \$525.00 is made for residence for the academic year. This charge covers the items of room, board, and the allowance of laundry and service in Sage College, Prudence Risley Hall, Balch Halls and the cottages, excepting 7 Central Avenue. Owing to the unsettled condition of prices for food and labor the University reserves the right to increase this charge during the year if the

Trustees believe such an increase to be necessary. Students living in either Sage College, Risley Hall, or Balch Halls are required to take their meals in the dining room of that building. These dining rooms are conducted by the University. Students living in 9 South Avenue, 5 East Avenue and 15 East Avenue take their meals in Sage College. Students living in 308 Wait Avenue and 613 Thurston Avenue take their meals in Risley Hall.

PAYMENTS

Payment of the charge for residence is made in four equal installments. The first of these is due and payable by September 1. *A failure to pay the first quarterly installment by September 1 will be regarded as a surrender of the lease.* The second installment is due on November 25 and must be paid not later than December 5. The third installment is due on registration day of the second term and must be paid not later than February 15. The fourth installment is due on April 5 and must be paid not later than April 15.

ADJUSTMENTS

The charge for residence covers the period beginning on the day before the first registration day of the first term and ending on the last day of work of the second term, and it does not include the Christmas Recess or the Spring Recess. Students who arrive before the day next preceding the first registration day or who remain during the Christmas Recess or the Spring Recess will be charged extra at the rate of \$1 per day per room.

Entering students who must come to Ithaca for examination before registration day may arrange for rooms in the dormitories at the charge of \$1 per day.

No deduction is made for an absence of ten days or less. For an unavoidable absence of more than ten days an equitable adjustment will be made by the Treasurer of the University in consultation with the Dean of Women. Absence from the dining room or failure to send in the full amount of laundry allowed each week does not entitle the student to any deduction. The allowance of laundry is purposely made as generous as possible and it is expected that every student will use the full allowance every week.

LAUNDRY

Every piece sent to the laundry should have the owner's name plainly marked on it with Payson's indelible ink or with an embroidered name tab. Marking with a rubber stamp or with the so-called indelible pad is not effective.

The laundry allowance is fifteen pieces every week, according to the following scale:

1 Bloomer or Step-in	count	1 piece
1 Blouse	2	
1 Brassiere	1	
1 Combination	1	
1 Dress	4	
4 Handkerchiefs	1	
1 Nightdress	1	
1 Pajamas	2	
1 Skirt (plain)	2	
1 Slip (plain)	2	
1 Smock	2	
1 Stockings (pair)	1	
1 Towel	1	
1 Vest	1	

Fifteen pieces are allowed each week. Only two blouses or two skirts or one blouse and one plain skirt or one plain dress or fancy pieces are included in the weekly allowance. Blouses, skirts or fancy pieces in excess of lists cannot be substituted for plain articles on list. Outside laundrymen or washerwomen are not allowed to call at the dormitories.

DAMAGES

Lamps, shades, or other furnishings broken or missing, and all damage to a room or its fixtures or furniture beyond ordinary wear and tear will be charged to the occupant or occupants of a room. Articles may not be tacked or fastened or pasted with stickers in any way to the walls, furniture, or electric light fixtures. Pictures and other ornaments may be suspended only from the picture molding. A printed card containing an inventory of the articles in the room is presented to the student at the beginning of the year for verification and signature, and after that the occupant is held responsible for any damage or loss of those articles.

GOVERNMENT OF THE STUDENT WOMEN

Under the Statutes of the University, the Dean of Women has the general charge of the interests of women students and advises them in regard to all matters, subject to the statutes and rules and regulations of the Board of Trustees and of the general and special faculties. She is recognized as the representative of the University in all matters related to the conduct, the social life, and the self-government organization of the women students.

Wardens, under the direction of the Dean of Women, are in charge of the several halls and houses of residence. Each Warden is the adviser of the students under her care and is responsible for the conduct and the social life of the hall or house which she supervises.

The students are allowed as large a measure of self-direction as possible through their organization, the Self-Government Association of the Women of Cornell University. Every woman who registers as a student in the University becomes *ipso facto* a member of this association. The Self-Government Association, through its Judiciary

Committees, tries any charge of misconduct. If the charge is sustained, the Association either imposes and enforces a penalty or, if the offense is so serious as to call for university action and be made a matter of university record, reports its findings and its recommendations to the general disciplinary committee of the University, the Committee on Student Affairs.

Every student, upon assignment to a room in the residential halls or houses, signs a contract agreeing to abide by the rules established by the University and by the Association. Any student who wilfully and persistently disregards any of these rules renders herself liable to dismissal from the University.

THE HEALTH OF STUDENTS

The University has a Medical Adviser of Women, who is a doctor of medicine. Every entering student receives a physical examination, and every student is recommended to make free use of the privilege of consulting the Medical Adviser, who keeps regular daily office hours for that purpose. The University Infirmary has a normal capacity of seventy-five beds and the number can be doubled in an emergency.

The gymnasium for all the women students of the University is in Sage College. Physical training is required of all students in the first two years. The Medical Adviser prescribes corrective exercises for students whose health requires them. All the gymnasium and athletic work is carried on under the direction of the Department of Physical Training.

WHERE TO APPLY

All applications for rooms and all requests for further information should be addressed to the Manager of Residential Halls, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.

THE SCHEDULE OF ROOMS

On the following pages is a schedule of all the rooms in the University's residential halls and houses for women.

SAGE COLLEGE

In each column below are (1) the number by which the room is designated, (2) the point,—north, east, south, or west,—toward which the windows face, and (3) the number of students that the room accommodates.

<i>First Floor</i>			<i>Second Floor</i>			<i>Third Floor</i>			<i>Third Floor</i>		
6	N	one	31	W	two	56	E	one	87	N	two
7	S	one	33	W	one	57	S & E	one	89	N	two
8	N	one	34	E	two	58	N & E	one	90	S	two
9	S	one	35	W	two	59	S	two	91	N	two
10	N	one	36	E	two	60	NO	two	92	S	two
11	S	one	37	E	two	61	S	two	93	N	two
12	N	one	38	E	two	62	N	two	94	S	one
			39	W	two	63	S	two	95	N	two
<i>Second Floor</i>			40	E	one	64	N	two	<i>Fourth Floor</i>		
13	S & E	one	41	W	one	65	S	two	101	S & E	two
14	N & E	one	43	W	two	66	N	one	102	S	one
15	S	one	45	N & W	two	69	S	two	103	W	two
16	N	one	47	N	two	70	S & W	two	104	S & W	two
17	S & E	one	49	N	two	71	W	two	105	W	one
18	N & E	two	50	S	two	72	E	two	106	E	two
19	S	one	51	N	two	73	W	one	107	W	two
20	N	one	52	S	two	74	E	two	108	E	two
21	S	one	53	N	two	75	W	two	110	E	two
22	N	two	54	S	two	77	W	two	111	W	two
23	S	two				78	E	two	112	E	two
24	N	two				79	W	two	113	W	one
25	S	two				80	E	two	115	W	two
26	N	two				81	W	one	117	N & W	two
29	S & W	two				83	W	two	118	N & E	two
30	S	two				85	N & W	two			

SAGE COLLEGE ANNEX

<i>Second Floor</i>			<i>Third Floor</i>			<i>Fourth Floor</i>			<i>Fourth Floor</i>		
3	N	one	5	N	one	2	S	one	18	S & E	two
5	N	one	6	S	one	3	N	one	20	W	one
7	N	one	7	N	one	4	S	one	21	E	one
9	N	one	8	S	one	5	N	one	23	E	one
11	N	one	9	N	one	6	S	one	24	S	one
			11	N	one	7	N	one	25	W	one
<i>Third Floor</i>			13	N	one	8	S	one			
1	N	one	15	E	one	9	N	one			
2	S	one	16	E	two	10	S	one			
3	N	one	18	W	two	11	N	one			
4	S	one	19	E	one	13	N	one			
			21	E	one	15	N	one			
			23	E	one	17	N & E	one			

BALCH HALLS

The whole number indicates the floor, unit, and room number, e.g., 2135 = second floor, unit one, room 35. The room number is followed by the exposure and the number of tenants.

	<i>Unit One</i>		5118-47	NE-SE	two	5244-46	NE	two
2132	NW-NE	one	5145-43	SW	two	5253-55	SW	two
2133-35	NW-SW	two	5149	SE	one	5254-56	NE	two
2139	NW	one	5152-54	NW	two	5257-63	SW	two
3112	NW	one	5153-55	SE	two	5265	SE	one
3114	NW	two	5156	NW	one	5267-73	SE	two
3113-15	SW	two	5157	SE	one	5272	NW	one
3117-45	SW	two				5274-76	NW	two
3143-27	SW-SE	two				5275-77	SE	two
3125-23	SE-SW	two	<i>Unit Two</i>			6242	SE	two
3122-24	SW-NW	two	3223-25	SE	two	6244-46	NE	two
3126-37	NW-SW	two	3227-33	SE	two	6253-55	SW	two
3135-33	SW-NW	two	3224	NW	one	6254-56	NE	two
3132	NW-NE	one	3237	SE	one	6257	SW	one
3136-38	NE	two	3253-55	SW	two	6263	SW	two
3147	SE	two	3257	SW	one	6267	SE	one
3149	SE	one	3269	SE	one	6272-74	NW	two
3152	NW	one	3273-75	SE	two	6273	SE	one
3154-56	NW	two	4212	NE	one	6275	SE	two
3153-55	SE	two	4213-15	SW	two	6276	NW	one
3157-59	SE	two	4217	SW	one			
3165	SW	one	4223-25	SE	two	<i>Unit Three</i>		
3163	SW	two	4224-28	NW	two	2332	SW	two
3162-64	NE	two	4227-29	SE	two	2333	SE	one
3166	NE	one	4232-34	NW	two	2335-37	SE-SW	two
4112-4312	NE	two	4233-35	SE	two	2336-38	NW-SW	two
4113-15	SW	two	4243	SE	one	3313	NE	one
4114-16	NE	two	4242	SE	one	4312-4112	NE	two
4118	NE	two	4244-46	NE	two	4313-15	SW	two
4117-45	SW	two	4253-55	SW	two	4314-16	NE	two
4143	SW	two	4254-56	NE	two	4317-23	SW	two
4125	SE	one	4257-63	SW	two	4318-22	NE	two
4123-22	SE-SW	two	4265	SW	one	4325	SW	two
4124	NW	two	4267-73	SE	two	4334	NW	one
4135	SW	two	4272	NW	one	4336-37	SW	two
4133	SW	one	4274-76	NW	two	4333-35	SE	two
4132	NW	one	4275-77	SE	two	4342	SW	one
4134-36	NW	two	5223	SE	one	4343	SE	one
4147	SE	two	5224	NW	one	4344-45	SE	two
4152	NW	one	5225-27	SE	two	4346-48	NW	two
4154-56	NW	two	5226-32	NW	two	4347	SE	one
4153-55	SE	two	5233-35	SE	two	4352-54	NW	two
4157-59	SE	two	5237	SE	one	4353-55	SE	two
5112-5312	NE	two	5243	SE	one	4357	SE	one
5114-16	NE	two	5242	SE	one	4363-65	SE-SW	two

<i>Unit Three (Cont.)</i>			<i>Unit Four</i>					
4364	NW	one	3438	NE	one	4483-85	SE	two
4368-72	NW	two	3442-44	NE	two	5412-14	NW	two
4375-77	SE	two	3462-64	SW	two	5413-15	SE	two
4374	NW	two	3465	NE	one	5432-34	NE	two
5312-5112	NE	two	3469	SE	one	5442-44	NE	two
5314-16	NE	two	3472-74	NW	two	5443	SW	one
5318	NE	one	3473	SE	one	5462-64	SW	two
5323	SW	two	3475-78	SE	two	5466-68	SW-NW	two
5325	SW	one	3476-82	NW	two	5467	NW	two
5343-44	SE	two	3483-85	SE	two	5472-74	NW	two
5345	SE	one	4412	NW	one	5476-82	NW	two
5346	NW	one	4414	NW	one	5475	SE	one
5347	SE	two	4413-15	SE	two	5477-85	SE	two
5348	NW	two	4432-34	NE	two	6416	SW	one
5352	NW	one	4442-44	NE	two	6432	NE	one
5353	SE	one	4443	SW	one	6434-44	NE	two
5355	SE	one	4462-64	SW	two	6435	SW	one
5362-64	NW	two	4466-68	SW	two	6462-64	SW	two
5363-65	SE-SW	two	4467	NE	one	6466-68	SW-NW	two
5372	NW	two	4463-73	SE	two	6465	NE	one
5373-75	SE	two	4474-76	NW	two	6467	NW	one
5374	NW	one	4475-77	SE	two			
			4478-82	NW	two			

HOUSES NEAR PRUDENCE RISLEY HALL

In each column below are (1) the number by which the room is designated, (2) the point,—north, east, south, or west,—toward which the windows face, and (3) the number of students that the room accommodates.

RISLEY TERRACE, NO. 308 Wait Avenue

<i>First Floor</i>			<i>Second Floor</i>			<i>Third Floor</i>		
4	S & E	two	201	S & W	two	301	W	two
6	N & E	two	202	S	two	302	S	two
			203	S	one	303	E	two
			204	N	one			
			207	N & W	one			

RISLEY COTTAGE, 613 Thurston Avenue

<i>First Floor</i>			<i>Second Floor</i>			<i>Third Floor</i>		
1	East	two	4	S & W	two	8	East	one
2	West	two	5	East	one			
			6	West	one			
			7	N & E	one			

HOUSES NEAR SAGE COLLEGE

5 EAST AVENUE

<i>First Floor</i>			<i>Second Floor</i>			<i>Third Floor</i>					
105-6	N & E	three	201	W	two	301-2	N & W	three			
			202	W & S	two				304	E	one
			203	S	one				306	E & N	one
			204	S & E	two						
			205	N & E	one						
			206	N	one						

15 EAST AVENUE

<i>First Floor</i>			<i>Second Floor</i>			<i>Third Floor</i>		
5	S & E	two	201	N & W	two	301	N & W	two
			9	N & E	one			
203	S & W	two	304			S & E	two	
205	S & E	two	309			N	two	
209	N & E	one						

9 SOUTH AVENUE

<i>First Floor</i>			<i>Second Floor</i>			<i>Third Floor</i>		
105	S	two	201	N & E	one	303	N	two
108	E & S	two	203	N & W	two	305	S	two
			204	S & W	two			
			205	S	two			
			208	E & S	two			

GRADUATE HOUSE, 7 Central Avenue

<i>First Floor</i>				<i>Second Floor</i>			
101	S & E	\$220	one	201	S & E	\$180	one
102	S & W	234	one	202	S & W	220	one
103	N & W	234	one	203	W	170	two
				204	W N E	170	two

This price is for room only.

