Center Opening Still Indefinite

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As the days slowly pass into weeks and the weeks into months, the question continually arises: What about the Student Center that was supposed to open two weeks ago from last Saturday afternoon, or whenever it was?

The latest word from Mr. John Kennedy, manager of the Center is that “It looks like we may not be able to get into it officially until after the Christmas holidays. It might be sooner, and it might not.” The question hinges around last-minute finishing jobs which haven’t quite been finished.

Mr. Kennedy stated that the keys to the building, in the hands of the contractor, still have not even been turned over to the Rice Institute. He also stated that even if the building were open, there would be, at this time no one there to be around all the time.

The Rice Associate’s Dinner, held in the Center Wednesday, was a catered affair because the kitchen facilities are not yet ready for use.

Other scheduled events in the building, such as the Follies dance on December 13 and the Colleges’ Christmas party on December 19, will probably but not definitely be held in the Center, but students will not be able to move into it permanently until all the work in the interior has been completely finished.