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It is a great pleasure and honour for me to be charged with the official opening of the new wing to the Chemistry Building of the University of Western Ontario. The Chemistry Department of this University has established a very fine reputation which goes far beyond the boundaries of this country. It has been able to attract first-rate people who I am sure will make very good use of the facilities in this building.

This is a very difficult time for university research since inflation has eroded the funds available from the federal government and the federal government has not yet been persuaded to compensate for this erosion. By the provision of this new building the faculty of the Chemistry Department will at least have enough space for their research and teaching, and one can only hope that soon also new funds for research will be made available so that the building can come into full use.

I hope that in this building many promising students will have their first initiation into research and that, together with their professors, they will be able to contribute to the development of chemistry and to the solution of both pure and applied problems.

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