General electric was expressed throughout the Building. A. E. B. Richardson, head of the Department. For 14 years he had served as Head of the Agriculture Department. During that period he had added many new buildings, and had seen the University expand from seven to over forty acres of land. In 1926, he was elected President of the University, and in 1928, he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Science by the University of Sydney. He was also a distinguished athlete, having represented Australia in the Olympics in 1924.

The new building was a remarkable achievement in itself. It was constructed of reinforced concrete, and was designed to accommodate the growing number of students and faculty members. It featured a large lecture hall, laboratories, offices, and a library. The building was located on the eastern side of the University campus, adjacent to the main building.

The building was officially opened on October 26, 1927, with a grand ceremony attended by the Governor-General of Australia, Sir John Monash, and other dignitaries. The ceremony included speeches by the Governor-General and the Prime Minister of Australia, and the presentation of a plinth to the building. The building was named after Sir John Monash, in recognition of his contributions to Australian education and science.

The new building marked a significant step forward in the development of the University. It provided the necessary space and facilities to support the growing number of students and faculty members, and it helped to establish Australia as a major player in the global scientific community.