

Brief ceremony marks Aitken Centre opening

By J. DAVID MILLER

It seemed an auspicious occasion, yet it also seemed sort of anticlimatic, the opening ceremonies of the University of New Brunswick Aitken Centre.

An obviously cold John Anderson, rubbing his hands together, started the brief ceremony by announcing to the about 50 people present, "I'm John Anderson, president of UNB and we are here to officially open the Aitken University Centre."

The crowd consisted of several

members of the University Board of Governors, both vice presidents (and their secretaries), members of the Alumni association, and representatives of the architect and construction company. Very few students witnessed the occasion.

The President, in his short speech, when on to describe the building as "quite unique" for several reasons. Firstly, he said, no other building on the campus was financed entirely by private subscription.

In addition, Anderson started that no other building could

accommodate "enormous variety of events".

Anderson described in brief terms the genesis of the building. In 1973, the Mayor and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Lady Beaverbrook Rink, J.W. Bird, asked for and received money to add a second ice surface to the L.B.R. The idea then arose to add a completely new facility to the UNB campus, in the form of the Aitken Centre. The next phase was the commitment of a "generous annual donation" from the associated alumni. The crystallization came, according to Dr.

Anderson, when Dr. Garnett Copeland agreed to donate \$100,000 over five years.

The President noted several people instrumental into the completion of the building. From the university, he specially noted the contributions of the various user committees, Professor Eric Garland and Dr. John Meagher. He paid tribute to the expertise of the architects Murray and Murray and Partners, represented by Mr. Pat Murray. The President also made special note of the fact that the architects construction supervisor Mr. J.C. Richard had come a

long way to witness the opening ceremonies. Note was also made of the "great efforts and skill" of the construction company, Diamond Construction.

The ribbon cutting affair was in 4 parts. Representing the Board of Governors, Dr. B.L. Jewett, and representing the students, Mr. Jim Smith, the ribbons on the first two doors were cut. Mayor Wilkins and Mr. Richard Clark of the associated alumni cut the third and fourth ribbons. Representing the Administration and the faculty respectively, Garland and Meagher cut open the fifth and sixth

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1 Gym 8:30-4:00	1 Head Hall 8:30-6:00	1 Lady Dunn 4:30-6:00
1 Tilley 8:30-4:00	1 New Science Building 8:30-4:00	1 Maggie Jean 4:30-6:00
1 MacLaggan 8:30-4:00	1 McConnell 11:30-1:00 4:30-6:00	1 McLeod 4:30-6:00

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By DERWIN G
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