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OUR NEW PRESIDENT

Dr. E. E. Sparks, the Newly Elected President of the College,
Will Assume His Duties Next June

At last Friday's meeting of the Board of Trustees Dr. Edwin Erle Sparks, of the University of Chicago, was formally elected president of the college and on Tuesday of this week came the word of his acceptance.

For almost two years our college has been without a resident President, General Beaver having acted as executive during that time. It is, therefore, with a great deal of satisfaction that the faculty, alumni, and student body welcome the news that a president has been elected.

Edwin Erle Sparks, A.M., Ph. D., was born in Licking County, Ohio, in 1860. He graduated from the Ohio State University in 1884, receiving the Master's degree at that institution in 1891. In the year 1900 he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Chicago, with which institution he has been associated since 1895.

Dr. Sparks has had wide experience as an educator. He taught at his Alma Mater immediately after graduation. He was principal of

the Portsmouth, Ohio, High school; Superintendent of Public Schools at Martins Ferry, Ohio; Principal of the Preparatory Department of the Pennsylvania State College; and finally Professor of American History at the University of Chicago.

During his association with the University of Chicago, Dr. Sparks achieved great distinction as a lecturer in University Extension work and is known throughout the United States west of the Alleghany mountains as a most popular lecturer and a fluent after dinner speaker. His fame along this line of work has brought him in contact with the best minds of the country, and he comes to us especially well prepared in the art of handling men, and in the solution of complex situations.

As an executive, Dr. Sparks has had a wide experience. His connection with University Extension work has been of especial service to him along this line. He is well fitted to grasp the essentials of any situation, and having once decided on a course of action his resolute purpose and strength of character enable him to carry out all plans to a successful termination. On the other hand his wide experience with men has given him a training which enables him to be thoroughly impartial in his selection of details which might have any influence on his course of action in any particular situation.

Dr. Sparks as a man with college men is a most desirable president. His naturally social nature and his diplomatic training make him a man who will win the respect and admiration of the student body. His

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