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Occasionally we strike a person who is really so interested in his work that he has eyes, ears, or thoughts for little else. Such an earnest student is P. L. Bradford, and his particular and only hobby is electricity. Practically all of his past time was, and surely his future will be, devoted to the study of the intricacies of the mystic "juice." He has already enrolled in the General Electric Company's Student Engineering course.

"Brad" is a simon-pure, all-wool-and-a-yard-wide, Yankee from New England. He was born at Winchester, Massachusetts, on June 15, 1885, so, you see, he really does not look his age. When he was at the tender age of three, his folks migrated to the land of sunshine, California. Mr. Bradford, Sr., is the proprietor of several orange orchards in the neighborhood of Fullerton in Southern California, and it is amid such pleasant surroundings that the fair-haired boy grew up.

The "Peerless Leader" has been mixed up with several colleges, besides engaging in telephone construction work and power plant operation. Not satisfied with results, he decided to take a course in a real technical school, and joined us just in time to help demolish the Freshies. Bradford has toiled hard and accomplished much. We need but recall the Bradford System of Automobile Lighting (Patented).

Having become convinced that a direct current rotary transformer which would really transform would be a considerable addition to the sum total of electrical achievements, "Brad" has been busy since last summer in getting such a machine to operate, or in trying to at least. Together with his shadow, "Jimmy" Fletcher, he has dismantled and rebuilt an old D. C. machine and made it perform a variety of stunts, so as to present a thesis on them to the Powers That Be. From what we know of these two embryo engineers we predict a successful issue to the venture.

"With But a Single Aim in Life."