

## SENIOR CLASS BOOK 1912.





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Thesis: Determination of the Power Required for the Operation of the Types of Electric Switches and Signals in use at the Chicago Terminal of the C. & N. W. R. R.

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Strong is one of the many students at Armour who have a long and often-times tiresome car ride to and from school but he always manages to get to his classes on time. He comes from that noted town of Oak Park, which as everyone knows has anything but good transportation facilities. He has, however, lived in a city which has an up-to-date traction system, namely, Cleveland, Ohio. It was in Cleveland on the first day of the year, 1890, that Paul A. Strong was born. When but four years old, Paul was sent to kindergarten to learn how to make bridges and houses out of paper. When he was six years old he went to the Sibley Grammar School and there he made his bridges and houses out of wooden blocks. When he graduated from grammar school in 1904, Paul left Cleveland to live in Oak Park. Next he attended the Oak Park High School. Here he forgot about building bridges and houses and commenced to take an interest in electricity. During the third and fourth years of high school, he worked as a meter reader. He entered Armour in 1908, and among other things, his four years of study have won him membership in Tau Beta Pi.

Strong is an authority on electric railway switches and signals, having worked in the signal department of the C. & N. W. R. R. He presented a paper on this subject before the Armour Branch of the A. I. E. E., and is now going into the subject further to prepare a thesis on it.

Although he has one advantage that very few have, namely, that he is able to celebrate the birth of the New Year and his own birthday at the same time, we do not believe that he has ever celebrated this double occasion by looking upon the wine when it is red, as many people do, for he is anything but a rounder. Add this good habit to his many others, and you have the foundation for the success which is bound to come to Strong.