

TO THE BOYS.

Make a note of this boys—those of you who belong to the Argus-Leader family, and who read these pages:

Of the ninety-eight students who have been dropped from the Leland Stanford university on account of poor scholarship, ninety-eight of them were cigarette smokers!

Does this mean anything to the young man who is trying to get an education that he may be equipped for the battle of life? Does it mean anything to you that many of the great railroads and other corporations absolutely refuse to employ in any clerical or operative position a young man who smokes cigarette? It is the testimony to every educator that the cigarette habit ruins the intellect, and it is the opinion of business men that the young fellow who is addicted to cigarette habit is a good chap for his competitor to employ. The deadly cigarette weakens the will, injures the general health, deadens the sensibilities, and wrecks the nervous system. Of the annual number of suicides in this country a great percentage of them are smokers of cigarettes.

This is not a sermon. It is just a passing comment on facts as they are in the matter of fact world. The conclusion is inevitable. If you want to do the best yourself that is possible, if you want to equip your mind for work, and to have it backed with a strong body, cut out the cigarette.—Argus-Leader.

WORK FAITHFULLY.

Some boys do not seem to realize the necessity of grasping the splendid opportunity offered to master a trade and secure an education. Their only thought seems to be in how to finish the task,

whether it be study or work, in the shortest possible time and with the least possible expenditure of energy. Young man now is the accepted time. If you do not make the most of your advantages while you are young no one can be blamed but yourself. While you have an opportunity to secure an education and learn a trade do so. You may not fully realize the necessity of it, now, but if you fail to take advantage of it, the time will come when with regret you will think of this as the one great opportunity of your life.

Nobody can be depended upon who does not finish the task he sets out to do.

However disagreeable your work, do it thoroughly. Do it better than the average boy would do it. In that way you will become a dependable boy. Men everywhere are looking for capable, honest, gritty, dependable boys. The sooner you let people know you are that kind of a boy the sooner you will get a better job. And don't be in a hurry to give up the work you already have. Be sure something better is offered.

Wait a while. Do your work well. Promotion will come.—Des Moines News.

L O S T

Somewhere on the Chemawa grounds, a pair of glasses in a black case. Finder will please bring them to the printing office.

George Horn is working on the farm. He is a good worker. He says he will be a farmer when he returns home.

Henry John is getting to be a good checker player. He is hard to beat.

The gardeners are almost through sorting potatoes.