WEARING COLLARS AND THES WHILE AT WORK.

A recent circular letter from the General Office calls attention to the fact that too large a proportion of students enrolled in a few trade schools, school shops, and farm schools wear ties and stiff collars while at work, and points out how nearly such a matter borders on the ridiculous. It further states that while it is not believed necessary to issue any orders forbidding the wearing of such apparel during hours of manual labor, such habits should be discouraged. The circular closes with the request that all inspecting and supervisory officials of this Bureau make note of any cases of this kind which they may happen to see, and mention them in their reports.

If the relatively few students to whom the foregoing applies could but "see themselves as others see them" it would not be necessary to bring up a matter of this nature.

INDUSTRIAL WORK IN THE NEW NORMAL COURSE OF STUDY FOR PROVINCIAL HIGH SCHOOLS.

At the beginning of the present school year, a four-year normal course for intermediate graduates was established in six of the provincial high schools of the Philippine Islands. The purpose of establishing such a course was to secure more trained teachers with suitable training and especially those capable of filling more responsible positions. The graduates of this course ought to make good principals of central schools and it is hoped that many of them will fill such positions.

In addition to work along academic and professional lines. industrial work is a prescribed subject for a double period each day in the first year of this new course. The aim of the course is first of all to help students to comprehend the industrial policy of the Bureau of Education and the ends it seeks to accomplish. This is a matter which, it is believed, is not sufficiently understood even by many of those who are engaged in some form of industrial instruction. Furthermore, a good idea of the content of the course of study in industrial work for both the primary and intermediate grades will be given the students. They will also be instructed in the administration of this course, including a knowledge of the accounting regulations and the forms used in making reports. The actual work done by these students will in every case depend upon the needs of the division. This matter, as well as the general organization and conduct of the course, will be under the immediate direction of the industrial supervisor for the division