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Ford. And it sometimes appears that the men in charge of the transportation lines themselves are not fully alive either to the responsibilities or possibilities of their positions.

Leadership in Democracy

Senate Vote on Panama Canal Tolls Bill Shows Its Need
(From the Boston Transcript)

The passage of the Panama tolls bill, we are told, shows the failure of senate leadership. Both the republican and democratic leaders deprecated such action by the senate, but were impotent to prevent it.

Such is the facile comment of the thoughtless, or of the malicious; the comment of those who maintain the assumption that the republican and democratic leadership in the senate is not so much leadership as dictatorship.

In that predicament, they chose, apparently, to pursue not merely the course of least resistance, but also that course, which, in the last analysis, is most accordant with the principles of democracy and of republican government.

Leadership in a democracy is not an easy thing. It cannot properly assert itself through coercion or dictation, any more than through physical force. It is essentially intellectual and moral in its attributes.

There have, indeed, been some rare cases in which it seemed not only justifiable for a single leader or for a minority to obstruct, by any available means, the effective work of the majority incumbent to do so.

Young People and Amusements

How hard it is to find the golden mean! Just when the more liberal elements in the Methodist church clamor for the lifting of the bans imposed by the Book of Discipline on amusements, 14 Episcopal congregations in Louisville make a simultaneous drive against what are coming to be known as jazz amusements, jazz music and jazz dances.

The proposal that the United States guarantee the safety of Germany from attack would have had a queer sound during the late war, or even before the war.

Perhaps you noticed that Babe Ruth did not succumb to the call of duty until it was made plain to him that the \$1,000 a day he expected as an outlaw was not to be forthcoming any longer.

Politics in Portugal continues to hold something of interest, if only to the officials, who wonder when their turn will come to be assassinated.

Why wouldn't it be wise to let the railroad managers and men make a truce, and then proceed as Sinn Fein and Lloyd George are doing?

German chemists say the mixture which caused the explosion at Oppau was wrongly compounded. Evidently.

Opening of corn husking season has had a marked effect on unemployment in this neck-of-the-woods.

It was decent in the railroads to wait till the world series was over before setting off the fireworks.

How to Keep Well

By Dr. W. A. Evans
Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by members of The Bee, will be answered personally, subject to space limitations, where a stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed.

EPES RANDOLPH IS DEAD.
Epes Randolph, president of most of the Southern Pacific interests in the far southwest, died recently at Tucson.

When about 25 he laid out the Southern Pacific main line west of San Antonio. Later he built and managed the electric system of the Los Angeles and California.

When the Colorado river had burst its banks and was flooding the Imperial valley converting it into the Salton sea, private corporations and even the federal government were called upon to help.

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Children's Weights

Table with 2 columns: Age, Weight. 10 years... 55 to 71 pounds, 11 years... 61 to 78 pounds, 12 years... 67 to 85 pounds, 13 years... 73 to 91 pounds, 14 years... 79 to 97 pounds, 15 years... 85 to 103 pounds.

Send for Pamphlet.
M. D. writes: "I have great trouble every month owing to painful menstruation. I am 18 years old and have been suffering for the last 16 months. Will you kindly advise me what to do?"

Bran Bread is Good.
Mother writes: "I. What should be the weight of a little girl 3 1/2 years old? Her height is three and one-third feet. 2. She often complains of her stomach hurting. What foods would be best for her?"

THE NEW GODS.
The old gods, the gay gods, the gods of Rome and Greece, forgotten all their oracles.

Old King Corn may go to market like a monarch yet.

Women's Rights in New England.
Women's rights were vindicated in about a hundred thousand Massachusetts households the other day.

Uncle Sam is a busy old person these days.

The Bee's Letter Box

Also Admires Dudley.
Omaha, Oct. 21.—To the Editor of The Bee: I want to join A. Leo Stevens in his praise and recommendation of Traffic Officer Dudley.

There can be no such thing as the disarmament parley. One for each of her dreadnaughts.—Nashville Banner.

Women's and Men's Hope.
A hat for every month in the year is desired for women. It is a man's unfulfilled longing to have a necktie for every day in the year.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

THE SPICE OF LIFE.
Rambo—"Locky heah, boy, den' yo' all mess wid me, 'cause Ah's hard! Ah' week Ah falls in a buss sav an' Ah busts it—com-plate-ly!"

Not a Peck of Ashes to the Ton
If You Burn
Petroleum Carbon
The Ashless Fuel

ALL HEAT... NO WASTE
PETROLEUM CARBON is the carbon of the crude oil --it is not made from coal as is the case with all other cokes.

The fire is as easily regulated in mild weather as on zero days.

THE SHERIDAN COAL COMPANY
Wholesale Distributors
Douglas 2226 W. O. W. Building OMAHA, NEBR.

Economics and Long Skirts

(From the New Haven Courier-Journal.)
We have paid little or no attention to the decree of the Paris dress-makers that longer skirts must take the place of the short skirts this winter and spring.

It appears that we are wrong and that as a matter of fact it is of economic importance whether at this time the skirts are to be short or long. The government experts have been studying the problem and have concluded that if the Paris decree is obeyed—from which we had supposed there was no escape—25,000,000 yards of cloth will be manufactured and sold over and above the demand of last season.

Women Expect Too Much.
The tendency of college women not to marry came in for a goodly share of criticism at the eugenics congress.

Garages Come First.
Perhaps the reason there are more garages than houses built is due to not having enough money for a house after the garage is paid for.

Do Valera's Greatest Trouble.
In spite of liberal remittances from America, Mr. De Valera's greatest trouble in Ireland continues to be the qualifications of possible ministers to the Philadelphia North American.

Base Ball Fans Human.
The base ball fan may appear to some persons as a curious species, but he is intensely human; perhaps more so than some of his critics.—Harrisburg Patriot.

One Horror of the Future.
The greatest horror about the next war is the armistice that will follow.—Boonville Mo. Republican.