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make it so that Switzerland will do all it can to further the forces of an economic reconstruction of Europe. For the same reasons that Switzerland is an ardent promoter of continental reconstruction, it is also obliged to stay away from political co-operation, with whatever political constellation. Co-operation might be proposed, unless such political co-operation be not merely in the form of a regional union, but of a world wide one. The principle of Armed neutrality, and of determined hostility against all possible violators of that principle are, from the Swiss point of view, the best guarantee for survival. In addition to this, history proved and proves that the principle of neutrality has not only been applied by the Swiss in their own interest, but that application has served the best interests of other nations as well."

This article could not have been written in a different way had it been written by a Swiss writer instead of a British one.

That the Swiss people are agreeing to the attitude adopted by their Government with regard to the status of neutrality, can be seen from this following fact: The Federal Parliament was recently in session, but neither in the National Council, nor in the State Council is there any bill or motion deposited that does as much as touch upon a questioning regarding Swiss foreign relations.

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