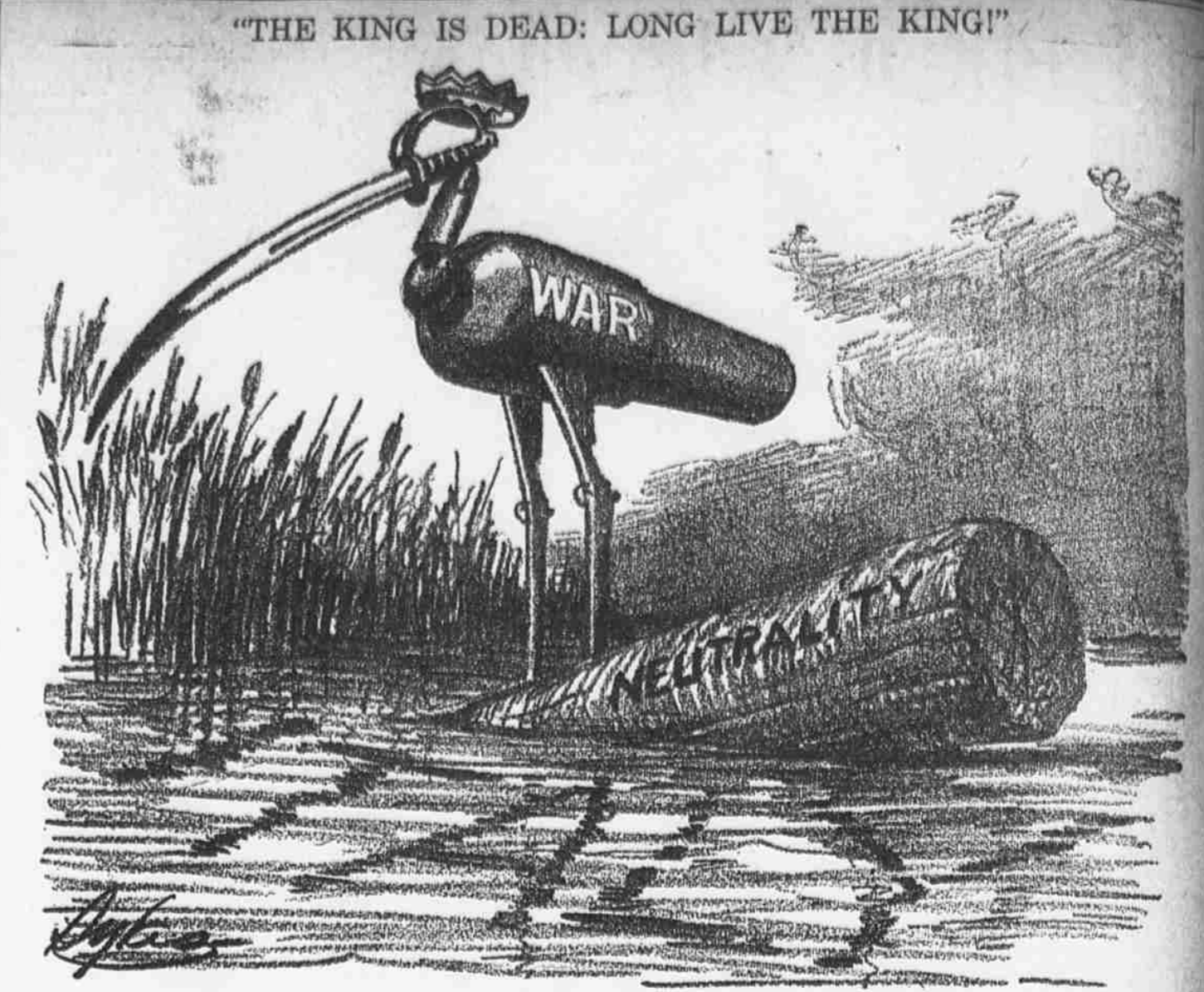


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ing of the sun through ice crystals in the upper air.
Those who accepted the scientific explanation without any lingering doubts were, of course, in the majority, just as a thousand years ago the portentous significance of the rainbow about the sun would have been admitted so generally that the man who disputed it would have been in danger of death for his impiety.

WHAT CAN ITALY DO IN THE GREAT WAR
Nation Faces Colossal Task in Attacking Fortified and Mountain-protected Frontier — Army Has Reputation to Make.
By FRANK H. SIMONDS
AT THE outset of the discussion of the Italian phase of the great war it is well to dispose of certain obvious misapprehensions.



Thank God for the Ocean!
THERE are eight great Powers in the world. When placed in alphabetical order the list stands like this:
Austria-Hungary,
France,
Germany,
Great Britain,
Italy,
Japan,
Russia,
United States.

Country Favors Austrians
Today all four of these towns are Italian. Verona is strongly fortified; the 26 miles between the city and the Austrian frontier are covered by modern forts. But the nature of the country is against the Italians. Austria has kept her hand on the slopes and hills which in fact command the gates of Italy.

So Far So Good
THE necessary ordinances for pushing the rapid transit plans to completion have been reported to Councils, and the ordinance authorizing an advertisement of the contemplated loan has been passed and the advertising is likely to begin today.

By CHARLES M. CHAPIN
DAEDALUS, who for many centuries held the world's record for overcast flight, would doubtless be greatly interested in the improvements effected in wings since his day. Imagine his circling about Niepoul last Monday, when a huge Zeppelin was attacked by a cloud of British aeroplane-hornets and stung until she fled for her life.

WHAT AVIATION OWES TO THE WAR
Marvelous Developments in Military Aircraft and Their Manipulation—War Brings Its Wonderful Gifts to the Age of Aerial Travel.
It is full of the joy of discovery. To well-instructed friends I should be ashamed to confess that, busy for many years with books and ideas, I knew not annals from perennials. Biennials are still a puzzle; though the theoretical meaning is clear, I find it hard to discover the moment of bloom.

Merely a Guarantee of Good Faith
THE appropriation by the General Assembly of \$500,000 for the development of this port must be considered merely as evidence of the interest of the Commonwealth in its sea trade.

Italy's Colossal Task
But if Germany and Austria remain on the defensive Italy's task will still be colossal. Every point of military value in the broad circle of mountains from Lago di Garda through the Dolomites and the Julian Alps to Fiume has been heavily fortified in recent years.

ARMIES AND ALCOHOL
From the Independent.
The hostility of the late Lord Roberts of Krishna toward liquor was the only grudge that Tommy Atkins had against his favorite leader.

L'Italia nel Vortice della Guerra
LA CAMERA italiana ha dato, dunque, pieni poteri all'on. Salandra, cioè si è dichiarata concorde con il Paese, in favore della guerra per completare l'unità nazionale.

Million Men Ready
A great deal of guessing has been done about numbers. Presumably Italy will put in the field about 24 army corps—that is, approximately, 1,000,000 men.

AMUSEMENTS
THE MARQUET ST. ABOVE 10TH P. O. U. R. E. S.
Stanley ALL THIS WEEK "THE MOth AND THE FLAME"
Also ADELAIDE-HUGHES Dance Pictures.

Who cares whether the Liberty Bell breaks so long as the Councilmen have their junket?
It will be hot enough when it does get warm, so endure your blessings while you have them.

EDMUND BURKE
Burke had thought of a great statesman and uttered them with unapproachable nobility; but he never wielded the power of a real statesman.

HEART'S DESIRE IN GARDENS
No Need to Tramp the Andes or Traverse the Rings of Saturn.
The charm of blossoming things growing out of the green needs no apology.

May the war game in which the Atlantic fleet is now engaged never be changed from play to earnest.
The war is costing Great Britain \$150 a second or about \$450 while you have been reading this paragraph.

PRECAUTIONS
It is one of the undisputed functions of government to take precautions against crime before it has been committed.

FORREST—NOW
SIR DOUGLAS MAWSON'S MARVELOUS MOTION PICTURES
GARRICK—10c, 15c, 25c

Switzerland, with 1,000,000 foreigners within its borders, will not suffer this year from lack of American tourists.
The members of the Poor Richard Club are pledging themselves to protect the birds, but this is not understood to mean that they will deny themselves the pleasures of the table.

THE BLESSING OF LIFE
Must we count Life a curse and not a blessing, summed up in its whole amount. Help and hindrance, joy and sorrow.

GLOBE
MARKET AND JUNIPER PHOTOPLAYS, 11 to 11:30
"The Island of Regeneration" Salisbury's "WILD LIFE" Pictures.

The sign in the heavens was regarded by some as a warning of the approaching end of the world, just as an eclipse of the sun is supposed in certain parts of the country to forecast the end of all things.

Backward Russia, however, has furnished the sensation in flying craft, for she has brought out a type which gives promise of revolutionizing aerial traffic.

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At the present time there are more than 4000 miles of sea on the west of us. The cold salt water leaves our shores and tempests whatever war spirit there may be.

Our garden, however, is not so much a matter of orderliness and tidiness as it is a matter of growth and expansion. It is almost at times as if it too had feet, and shared our sense of triumph or mood of failure.

Trocadero
"Step Livey, Please," and the Girl in Red

Sir Ernest Cassel, though born in Germany, has qualified as an Englishman by writing to the newspapers that he feels a deep sense of horror at the manner in which the Germans are waging war.

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