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Mathematics and the First World War

Following the declaration of war in 1914, scientific communications were interrupted. This occurred formally, so that (for example) German journals were no longer sent to libraries or individuals in enemy states. There was also an informal side, with many individuals deciding to cease correspondence with colleagues on the other side. This talk will give some examples of consequences internationally both during and after the war, as well as discussing activities by a few people who chose to resist this path.