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To Members of INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS CLUBS
in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi,
North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee
and Virginia:

The SOUTHEAST IRC CONFERENCE will not meet this year. The date had been decided upon and plans were under way but the urgency of the appeals of the Office of Defense Transportation and of the Director of War Mobilization - stressing the emergency need for space for wounded soldiers and for those returning on leave who have been in active service perhaps for two years overseas, the shifting of troops, the deterioration of the rolling stock of the railroad companies as well as the need to preserve it, and many other demands - has made it evident that the suspension of the Conference is nothing short of a patriotic duty.

Disappointing and serious as this decision is, I feel sure you will accept it in the spirit in which it is made. The Conference has always been the outstanding feature of the IRC year, and its loss will be keenly felt. But we can "take it." The war crisis has now touched us too closely for us to fail. Discussions must go on. Let each Club do its part. The enclosed topics which had been suggested for the Conference Round Tables may well be used as a guide for individual Club programs so that all association with the Conference may not be lost.

The representatives of HUNTINGDON COLLEGE, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, who had so generously invited us to meet on their campus are in complete agreement with the decision to suspend the Conference, and both they and we here look forward to a happier future when the Conferences may be resumed.

Sincerely yours,

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