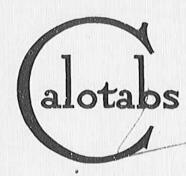
#### **ARMIES OF 14 BIG NATIONS** APPROACH SIX MILLION

feresce on Limitation of Armament. of the fourteen most important na-

tions of the world today include aping to figures obtained here and regarded as reasonably correct. With agenda of the forthcoming conference the figures with which it is expected the assembled commissioners will have to deal.

While China stands first among the nations in this summary of soldiers

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actually under arms, about September These are the Figures that wil lbe 1 last, being credited with 1,370,000 ac- ness and Japan's 300,000 by another Submitted to the Forthcoming Conthe nations not distressed by civil to take the field on short notice. Washington, Oct. 2.—Active armies strife, in the number of men with the colors. The French army strength is nothing in the way of organized replace at 1,034,000 men, the British em- serves behind the regular array exproximately six million men, accord- pire standing next with 740,500 and cept the national guard, the movement Germany last with 100,000. The Uni- for organization of a voluntary reted States stands thirteenth with 149,the inclusion of land armaments in the 500 men in the regular army, exceeding only Germany, while Italy has duction problem which may come up on limitation of armaments, these are 350,000 and Japan 300,000 active at the conference is the proportion of troops.

Russia 538,000; Poland 450,000; Greece available number of males of fighting 255,000; Spain 253,000; Switzerland age in the population. In France, 170,000; Turkey 152,000; and Czecho-Slovakia 150,000.

forces ashore, it is to be assumed, however that the Washington conferees will of necessity take into consideration many other factors than the forces actually under arms in computing the army strength of any action for purposes of discussion. Reserve systems, the extent of which reserves have been organized for quick fore the mobilization in 1917. The namobilization and the degree of training they have received all would be ter the war, is actually weaker, reviewed by technical experts. In many countries some form of universal military service obligation rests upon the entire male population. Japan, Italy, France, Greece, Szecho-Slovakia, Poland, Switzerland and Spain all have in force such laws while among British colonies South Africa, New Zealand and Austria have similar enact-

By these factors the relative figures take on an even wider discrepancy time and again in practice and by exthan the national army strength is viewed from the standpoint of active conditions for the boll weevil to pass armies alone. France, for instance, is the winter successfully are found in estimated to have beyond hr million men in arms, 4,270,000 reservists, the majority of them highly trained as a result of war experience and the

whole body included in a highly organized reserve system that will keep the nations' trained fighting personnel at that point. Italy's 350,000 fighting troops are backed by 4,627,000 reserves in an equal state of prepared-

The United States has at present serve having just been started.

Still another angle of the army reactive and organized reserve person-Figures for other powers include nel to the man power of the nation, the Italy and some other countries, virtually every male fit for army service In considering problems connected already either is in the active army or with attempted reduction of armed has a definite place in the organized and trained reserve.

One thing clearly established by these army figures, military experts said, was that the United States alone among the victor nations in the war, seems to have completely demobilized. The regular army today is little stronger in numbers than it was betional guard, due to reorganization af-

DESTROY COTTON STALKS NOW

Most Important Single Step in Any Fight Against Boll Weevil.

Clemson College, Oct. 3 .- The early fall destruction of cotton stalks is the most important single step in any fight against the cotton boll weevil. So says Prof. A. F. Conradi, entomologist, who adds that it has been shown periments that the most favorable those fields in which the cotton stalks, together with grass, weeds, fallen leaves and other refuse are left undisturbed until nearly time to plant the following season. On such fields the greatest number of weevils will survive, and every farmer should ask himself the question, "Will I permit my farm to be a winter hotel for the

In other words, will the farmer choose to destroy the weevil this faii or have the weevil destroy his cotton next season? The earlier the stalks are destroyed the fewer wevils will survive the winter. In infested fields it is common to find weevils at the rate of five thousand to twenty-five thousand per acre at the time of first frost. It is a well known fact that the weevils developing late in the fall are the ones most likely to survive the winter, as they are not worn out by long flights and the rearing of the young as are the older weevils. For this reason, development of weevils in late fall must be prevented as the first step in making the next cotton crop.

Therefore, we should start now a cleaning campaign such as South Carolina has never before witnessed. The boll weevil is a pest with a terrible amount of fight, and to meet this situation our farmers must develop the best fighting spirit of which they are capable.

Early stalk destruction and clean farming with cover crops, constitute the most powerful gun that can be used against the pest at this time. Whatever method of cleaning is employed, one thing is certain: the weevil's winter hotels must be destroyed. In the words of General Neville before Verdun, "They shall not pass."

AMERICAN LEGION

ASSUMES BIG TASK

Will Undertake Job of Carring for ,900,000 Idle Ex-Service Men. Indianapolis, Sept. 30.- The task of

caring for the 900,000 unemployed exservice men of the country will be taken over by the American Legion, it was announced today at a special unemployment conference at Legion headquarters here. The conference, which was called by Commander John C. Emory, was attended by national officers and members of a committee which had been appointed to investigate unemployment among members of the Legion. Data gathered by the committee and presented at the meeting showed that approximately 900,-000 veterans were out of work two weeks ago. It was shown that 21.5 per cent of the ex-service men are unemployed and that those employed had experienced an average cut in wages of 32.5 per cent since the war.

The findings of the Legion's investigating committe was said to have prompted today's action.

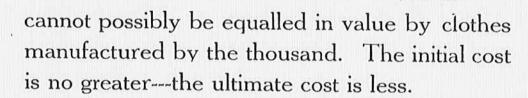
President Harding was notified of the decision and instructions for taking care of the jobless World War veterans were sent to the 11,000 Legion posts. The instructions to the posts asked that every effort be made to secure employment "for our buddies and see that they have food and shelter.

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