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IN THE R other world war. Poland was set up by the peace conference as a buffer state to stand between Russia and
nany. Now the bolsheviki armies are overrunning little Poland and it is reported their peace terms call for military occupation of the country for five years. That would mean the Russipnization of Poland and the elimination of the buffer state.
A sinister aspect of the affair is that the Germans and Russians seem to be working together. It is known that Lenine and the rise of bolshevism in Russia has been traced directly to Ret lin influences. What would be more natural now than a Ger-
man-Russian alliance for the future, if the way is left clear for man-Russian alliance for the future, if the way is left clear for
such a combination? What is the meaning back of Germany's refusal to allow allied troops to pass through German territory
en route to Poland's aid? How secure would be the peace of the world if Russia and Germany should act together under inevitable German domination and should seek revenge for the defeat suffered in 1918? If world peace should be disturbed
again, could the United States keep out any more than it was again, could the United States keep out any more than it was
able to keep out in 1917? Could this country afford to see France and England
Such alarm may be groundless and again it may not. The menace in the present situation may be greater than people realize. It is very evident at least that the fires of warfare are
not extinguished and meanwhile the United States senate has Hlocked the effective organization of a proper fire department.

## GRAIN INSPECTION DISTRICTS

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A ACCORDANCE with the provisions of the United States Grain Standards Act, the secretary of agrieulture has re rters points.
The United States has been divided into 33 supervision dis-
tricts, eaeh of which will follow state and county lines entirely. Thicts, each of which wilif follow station of supervision districts by numerals and many of the former dividing lines based upon railroad routes have been discontinued. Under the new arrangement entire counties are included in one or another of the districts. named. These grain trade and licensed inspectors, especially in the case of rigion of counties inta two or more districts.
The redesignated districts and their headquarters points are enumerated alphabetically in Bureau of Markets Service and
Regulatory Announcement No. 63 shortly to be issued by the United States department of agriculture.

## CHILDREN IN EMPLOYMENT

THE preliminary report of the permanent committee o ployment, appointed by the children's bureau of the U.S tment of labor, is announced.
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The report consists of two parts-general recommendations apd minimum standards of physical fitness for children entering
and working in industry. The general recommendations adyo and working in industry. The general recommendations advo-
eite a minimu mage of 16 years for entrance into industry on the ground that the period of pubescence, not completed in the
majority of cases until-the 16 th year, is a time of special strain
for the child. No child, accordin to the recommendations, for the child. No child, accordin to the recommendations, physical examination, and has been declared physically A re exainination for children when changing occupations and pe riodical examinations for all working chiddren are deemed necmedical officers of occupations in which children are likely to
be employed is pointed out, and further scientific study of the be employed is pointed out, and further scientific study of the
effeet of different kinds of work on the physique of boys and girls in their 'teens is declared to be essential. The fields which
in the opinion of the committee are in need of special resarch are grisin
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necessity for further study, states the committee, is urand the exper, on the basis of scientific studies already made and the experience acquired in administering child labor laws it is possible to formulate certain tentative standards. These is expected will aid materially in safeguarding children from the is expected will aid materialts of premature and umsuitable work.
the suggested standards cover normal development, indicate what constitutes sound health and physical fitness for spe cific occupations, and emphasize points to be observed and
methods to be employed in physical examinations. Defects for methods to be employed in physical examinations. Defects
which ehildren should be permanently refused certificates of which children should be permich temporary refusals should
reemployment and those for which
be made are insted. A record form for the uise of physicians in examining children and carefur instructions for filling in this
PLarm are appended to the report. ON FILGH TO NORTH

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