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which the general public has not realized -a new ecoWhich the general public has not realized-a new eco-
nomic era in which the balance between agriculture and nomic era in which the balance between agriculture and
other industries must be more carefulf safeguarded, said
Senator Arthur Capper of Kanas in a recent
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CAOPmal times. "The 'bloc' is trying to shape
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its policies and govern its action in a way to bring about a better understanding between all worthy elements of our population," he declared. "It is
working for honest industry, honest flance, honest agriworking for honest industry, honest flinance, honest agri-
culture, honest labor, and it wishes to promote co-operation between all of these elements. We must never forget that
fermin is farming is our biggest industry.
"Prices received by the farmer for his products are all
out of balance with the price of nearly everything he must out or balance with the price of nearly, everything he must
buy. This big industry has been sick since 920. secretary
Wallace says that more than one million farmers quit the fallace says that more than one million farmers quit the
farm last year. He also states that 23
per cent of the farmers in firteen wheat-producing states are either bank-
rupt or have been saved frour actual bankruptcy only by rupt or have been saved fronr actual bankruptcy only by
the leniency of their creditors. I am glad to say that condititons are improving.
"Cooprative marketing is growing in a wonderful way
all over the country, and will help both producer and consumer. Nineten million people in this country traffic in the products of $34,000,000$ farmers. The $19,000,000$ make two dollars for the farmer's product to the farmer's one. A searching inquiry by the last congress discovered that of
the consumer's dollar manufacturing, wholesaling and re the consumer's dollar manufacturing, wholesaling and re
tailing get 31 cents, distribution gets 49 cents, and the producer, the farmer, only 20 cents.
"Farmers are not asking the government to make good their losses or to subsidize the industry or to fix an for more credit to continue his operations at a loss. What he needs and must have is a market for his crops at a
price that will give him cost of production and a fair profit. I am not saying that congress or Washington can Ido say it is up to this congress to give its first attention and its best attention to the problem of agriculture. Big business should be aididing instead of opposing the efforts of
farm blocs' in congress."

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[^0]:    A February pennants are won by the sporting writers in A. February and March, and Bill Bunkum, our baseball expert, already is in the south digging up dope for us that will be descovered by Damon Runyon, Grantland Rice,
    Norman Brown and other millionaire scribes later Borman Brown and other mililionaire scribes later on.
    Bitter (he's so sure his stuff is exclusive that he never takes the trouble to telegraph) disappoints us somewhat. He has not discovered a single embryonic Cobb or Mathewson. He devotes himself exclusively to
    statistics: "Sixteen teams will begin the march to the pennant early.
    "Sixteen promising first basemen, 16 promising second
    besemen, 16 promising shortstops, 16 promising men, 16 promising catchers, 32 promising outtielders, 48 promising pitchers will be found by the sporting writers in the spring training camps. All of them, however, will need 'a little more seasoning before they are fit for the big
    league grade, Manager league grade, Manager
    leagues will wire back home for the edification of the palpitating fans.
    "Cold will intrude itself into 16 training camps. Fortyeight exhibition games will be postponed on account of rain.
    "Twenty college pitchers will hold major league teams to two hits, and hat stores will report a brisk upward turn in business.
    Two managers will announce 'We're going to repeat.
    "Twelve managers will announce 'We're ging top when the curtain is rung down on the season.' be on

