Top beet growers in sugar per acre at the Grant Great Western dumping station were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Washa of Grant, shown receiving their award from agriculturist Don Bernhardt (left).

Washa Tops Producers

Charles Washa, farming land owned by Noel Bullock, was top sugar beet producer for the Grant area it was announced this past week at the annual Great Western High Ten Banquet honoring the top sugar producers, held at the Ogallala Elks Club January 26.

Washa averaged 22.78 tons per acre, sugar content 18.94, with an average of 7,263 pounds of sugar per acre.

The highest production of sugar per acre went to Audrey Crawford, of Lexington, whose yield was 19,664 pounds of sugar per acre. The outstanding yield in excess of 10,000 pounds is in itself a milestone for beet growers in the GW company. It was the first contract in the Ovid district to exceed this mark.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kuroki were among honorees last week at the Great Western Sugar Company's annual High 10 banquet held at the Ogallala Elks Lodge. They were honored for having the highest yield of sugar at the Hershey receiving station and are shown receiving their high station certificate from Great Western agriculturist Don Bernhardt. J. Fred Reitz won the highest yield honors at the Sarben station. Ray Nelson of Roscoe won high station honors for the Ogallala area.