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**1972 To Be Good Year For**

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**Prediction Bright On Beet Harvest**

Scottsbluff, Neb. (UP) — Officials of the Great Western Sugar Co. predict another good year as the sugar beet harvest gets under way.

The harvest officially began Wednesday and slicing operations begin today. Most stations here in Gering have opened to accept beets, along with some stations in outlying areas.

The harvest will last about 130 days and cover 66,000 acres. Manager Bill McGuffey of Great Western said he believed it may be one of the largest crops since 1933.

**GW United Corporation releases operating results**

DENVER—Robert G. Everett, president and chief executive officer of Great Western United Corporation, this week reported operating results for the first quarter of the 1973 fiscal year, which ended Aug. 31, 1972.

Net income from continuing operations for the first quarter of fiscal 1972 was $1,029,000, compared with $2,306,000 for the first quarter of the 1972 fiscal year. Net sales and operating revenue for the first quarter were $55,132,000, compared with $57,240,000 for the same quarter of last year.

The first quarter income of $1,029,000 was not sufficient to cover the preferred dividend requirement of $1,158,000, resulting in a loss of $129,000, or $0.06 per share of common stock for the first quarter of fiscal 1973, compared with earnings of $.50 per share from continuing operations for the first quarter of the prior fiscal year.

Everett said fiscal 1973 first quarter results reflected an increase in repossessions at Great Western Cities and a decline in sales, principally at California City, one of Great Western Cities' three community developments.

Everett said the first quarter operating profits of the corporation's two other subsidiaries, The Great Western Sugar Company and Shakesy's Incorporated, were up substantially from the first quarter of fiscal 1972. Sugar prices and sales continued to be strong during the first quarter and Shakesy's continued its expansion at a good pace.

While earnings for the first quarter were disappointing, Everett said, there were a number of positive results, including an overall reduction of corporate debt by about $2 million, continued improvement of the cash flow situation at Great Western Cities and a positive cash flow at the corporate level for the quarter.