1974 may not be year 1973 was economically in Montana

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JOHNSON NOTED THAT IN SPITE OF THOSE GAINS MONTANA'S PER CAPITA INCOME--AVERAGE INCOME PER PERSON--IS WELL BELOW THE NATIONAL FIGURE, AND THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE STATE REMAINS CONSISTENTLY HIGHER THAN THE U. S. RATE.

JOHNSON POINTS OUT THAT THE FOLLOWING FACTORS MAY INFLUENCE THE STATE'S ECONOMY THIS YEAR:

--BUSINESSES CATHERING TO THE FARM AND RANCH TRADE WILL BENEFIT FROM LAST YEAR'S HIGH AGRICULTURAL INCOME.
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--The large gains in agricultural income in 1972 and 1973 may not be repeated in 1974.
--Western Montana's wood products industry may be adversely affected by the national slump in residential housing.
--Curtailed travel as a result of gasoline shortages plus the national recession will create problems for motels, service stations, restaurants and bars, activities which have been expanding rapidly in recent years.

Other articles appearing in the winter 1974 MBQ include "Coal Mining Taxes in Montana" by Marie Gillespie, an instructor in accounting at UM, who is a certified public accountant; "The Impending Review of Local Government in Montana" by Peter Koehn, assistant professor of political science at UM, and James Lopach, director of field research for the 1973-74 Montana Voter Review of Local Government Forms.

Also, "World Trade and Montana Agriculture" by Malcolm D. Bale, assistant professor of agricultural economics and economics at Montana State University, Bozeman, and Roland R. Renne, president emeritus and adjunct professor at MSU; and "The Ambiguous Image of the American Scientist" by Maxine Van de Wetering, assistant professor of humanities and history at UM.

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