Croughton woman earns praise

Gayle Phillabaum, wife of Sgt. Dan Phillabaum and president of the 2130th wives group, was recently given the honor of representing the Croughton Wives Club at the annual spring council meeting of the Northamptonshire Federation of Women's Institutes (WI).

At this meeting, Mrs. Phillabaum accepted on behalf of the Croughton wives the "Town and Country Project Award." The award was presented by Mrs. D.S. Cockram, county president, for the cultural exchange program developed between Croughton and Towcester wives.

This was the first time that a WI in Northamptonshire has won the award and the first time that an American group has been selected in recent years.

A trip to Lady Hesketh's home at Easton Neston has been arranged for the Americans in May.

An Easter revue performed by Towcester members was the highlight of the group meeting for which they were hosts.

Toys through the ages was the topic of a talk given to the WI by Mr. Nicholls at the April meeting. He was thanked by Mrs. Sue White.

A plant was presented to Miss Clarke in gratitude for the fine workmanship she put into an embroidered cloth for the president's table.

The Institute also received a letter of thanks from the Churchill Hospital, Oxford, for its donation to the artificial kidney machine fund.