

SHE CUT THE LACE OFF PANTIES



IF YOU just can't feel well dressed without those frilly underthings, or if your husband swears because his new abbreviated shirttail keeps popping out of his trousers, blame it on Nina Smithdeal, of Washington, chief scissors woman of the nation's war fashions. Once a model from Dallas, Texas, she is now top-flight fashion expert and cloth saver for the War Production Board Clothing Division. She helped persuade clothing stores to cut \$200,000 worth of cuffs off men's trousers already in stock, and turn the cuttings over to manufacturers, who used the reprocessed wool in making 300,000 suits. That's a model wearing a cuffless "victory suit" in our photo. In the last year Nina has outlawed generous lapels and pockets; flowing skirts and sleeves; zoot suits; lace and other pretties on lingerie. Husband's an Air Corps major.

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