

MEN'S SHORTS COMING BACK

OPA Allocates Cloth for Badly Needed Garments.

Male Indianapolis may soon have cause to rejoice—the short shortage may abate shortly. The last word is used with caution.

But nevertheless currently vacant counters where men's undies once reposed perhaps will be filled again—partially. According to department store officials, OPA directives have gone through to allocate material specifically for the manufacture of these precious apparel.

On the masculine casualty list right across from the feminine column where nylons have maintained top scarcity rating, shorts have been listed for a year.

Back beyond the "blitz" Hoosier men, as most others, selected these garments in all sizes, materials and colors, not to mention price ranges swooping down to a 35-cent low, a \$0.75 cent medium, and up to \$1. good.

Shorts for a Few

Today, if you're lucky, that is, wear size 34 or 36, for around \$2 you may get shorts—if you're also fast. A couple dozen come in every now and then, says rumor. And in all fairness if these gems come in such materials as Oxford cloth, you may expect them to exist a normal pre-war period.

Explanations for the crisis are standard: Labor and material shortages, armed forces requirements, and the fact that the manufacturers in some cases find it more profitable to produce shirts instead of shorts.

But novelty arises even in the midst of vacuum. For instance: A few new pairs, which have appeared artistically spotted with tropical flowers. And lest males imagine these to be not so masculine as their solemn predecessors, from reliable sources it is alleged, Adm. Halsey wears these walking shorts.

SET HAMBURGER RITES

Rites for Mrs. Sara B. Hamburger, 1855 N. Alabama st., who died Monday, were held at 2 p.m. today in the Flanner & Buchanan mortuary. Cremation followed. She was 86.

Surviving are a daughter, Myra L. Hamburger, and a sister, Mrs. Clara B. Dreifus, Elmonte, Cal.

Medal Presented To Hero's Father

THE BRONZE STAR medal, posthumously awarded Pvt. Robert T. Munsell, was presented to his father, Ollie Munsell, R. R. 5, recently at Ft. Harrison by Lt. Col. William B. Weston, director of operations and training.

Pvt. Munsell, a member of the airborne-infantry, was killed in the landing on Manila Feb. 8. He single-handedly attacked and destroyed an enemy machine-gun position which was pinning down his squad.

A graduate of Technical high school, Pvt. Munsell had been overseas since October, 1944.

KEEP CREAM FRESH BY NEW METHOD

By Science Service
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 4.—Processed cream will be fresh and tasty after being kept at room temperature for a year or longer, thanks to a new method which sterilizes the cream. Now being used exclusively in the production of processed table cream and whipping cream for the armed forces overseas, the new method just announced results from six years of research by the California Milk Products Co., Gudine, Cal.

Only four minutes is needed to process the product, known as "Avoset." Instead of being pasteurized (unsuitable for such a process because it does not kill all bacteria), which requires that the cream be heated at 145 degrees Fahrenheit for 30 minutes, the mixture is preheated and sterilized at temperatures varying between 260 and 280 degrees Fahrenheit for about four minutes.

Prior to processing, a small amount of vegetable "stabilizer" is added to the sweet, fresh cream, to keep the milk solids in the finished product from separating out on long storage. After sterilization, the mixture is rapidly cooled and passed into a sterile holding tank, ready for bottling.

Air in the bottling and capping room is kept virtually free of dirt and bacteria by the Precipitron, an electrical air cleaner, developed by the Westinghouse Electric corporation.

CITY RIGHTS WRONG DONE THOMAS PAINE

NEW ROCHELLE, N. J., July 4 (U. P.)—Thomas Paine, who gave the United States of America its name and, in some measure, the fighting courage of its convictions, was restored to citizenship in this suburban "city" today—136 years after his death.

"An injustice" our city did him 139 years ago while he was yet alive, was formally reported and corrected by Mayor Stanley W. Church at Fourth-of-July ceremonies on the farm the Deed the Revolutionary patriot by the grateful state of New York.

New Rochelle denied Paine the right to vote in 1806, maintaining he had lost American citizenship by becoming an honorary citizen of France.

Today Mayor Church proclaimed: "I do re-instate posthumously Thomas Paine, first citizen of America, to full citizenship and the rights thereof in this city from July 4, 1945, onward..."

Engraved copies of the proclamation restoring citizenship to the author of "Common Sense," "The Crisis" papers and "The Rights of Man" were presented to the first used. The rings are not in Thomas Paine memorial committee.

Rubber Rings for Canning Need Not Impart Bad Taste

By Science Service
ITHACA, N. Y., July 4—Home-makers can use almost any type of red or black jar rubber on the market this season without fear that the food inside the jars will taste of rubber. Rings manufactured in 1945 will be "practically free of odor and most of the older rings can be treated to prevent objectionable flavors.

The simplest treatment, reports Prof. Marion C. Pfund of Cornell university is to boil one dozen well-washed rings for 15 minutes in one quart of water containing one tablespoonful of baking soda, or one teaspoonful of soap powder, or one unpreserved medium-sized potato, sliced, or about the same amount of potato parings. After boiling, wash the rings again in clear hot water.

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MEETING CANCELLED

The meeting of the ladies auxiliary, Indiana Firemen's association, scheduled for tomorrow, has been cancelled.

GREW ASSURES U. S. FRIENDLY TO RUSSIA

WASHINGTON, July 4 (U. P.)—Acting Secretary of State Joseph Grew reiterated assurances of official American friendliness to Russia in a letter released yesterday by Rep. John Coffey (D. Wash.).

"I can assure you that since President Roosevelt's death there has been no shift in the American policy of friendliness toward the Soviet Union," Grew wrote.

During a personal interview with Coffey and other congressmen more than a month ago, Grew was reported to have said the state department "was bending over backward" to avoid offending Russia. In his letter he also covered the opposite pole of criticism.

"Conversely, there is no truth in the assertions made by some that we are 'playing into the hands of the Soviet Union' to the detriment of the British Empire or any other nation," he said.

He told Coffey it was regrettable that when diplomatic differences arose between nations, "one group of opinions or another often endeavors to build these differences into fundamental issues which are difficult to solve in an atmosphere of mutual understanding."

'Just Lucky,' Says Ship Survivor

"I WAS just lucky." His escape from the suicided-bombed fighting ship, Bunker Hill, drew this comment from Emerson Smith Jr., 22, aviation ordnance man 2-cl. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Smith, 1215 E. Vermont st.

Assigned to the Bunker Hill in May, 1943, the young sailor "went over the side" and spent some time in the water before being picked up by a destroyer.

A graduate of Ben Davis high school, Smith is a former employee of the mall room at the Indianapolis Union Railway.

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'LOONEY HEART,' 64, HELD ON MAIL COUNT

CHICAGO, July 4 (U. P.)—Mrs. C. Mildred Hill, 64, waived examination yesterday for removal to Washington, where she is wanted on charges of using the mails to defraud by conducting a "lonely hearts" club.

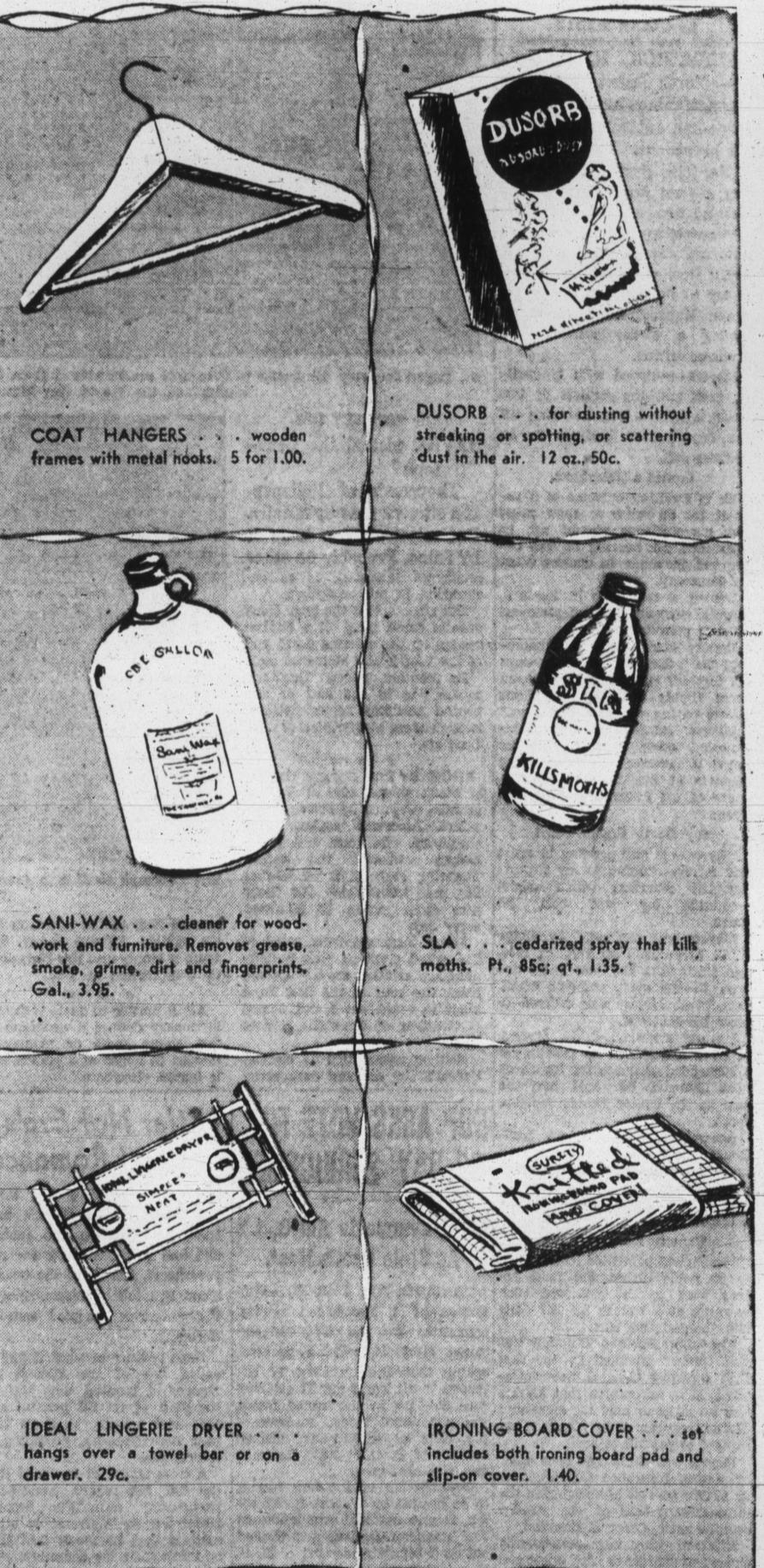
The stout matron, who allegedly posed as a girl in her early 20's when writing to men throughout the country, was placed under \$2500 bond by U. S. Commissioner Edwin K. Walker.

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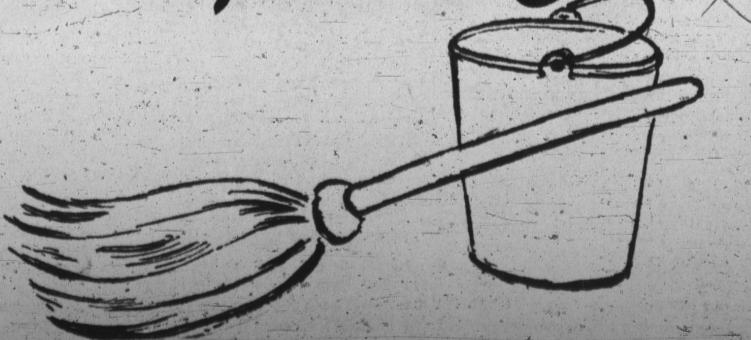
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