

### Tobin Rejects Offer of Labor Cabinet Post

INDIANAPOLIS, July 31-(AP)—An associate of Daniel J. Tobin, president of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (AFL), said today Tobin had rejected an appointment by President Truman as secretary of labor.

Thomas E. Flynn, Tobin's executive assistant, said the teamsters' chief also had declined the appointment from President Roosevelt.

"Never before has publicity been given to Mr. Tobin's refusal to become a cabinet member, not once but twice," Flynn wrote in the August issue of "The International Teamster."

The article said President Truman called Tobin to the White House last June 29 and offered him the post vacated by the death of Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach on June 10.

"Mr. Tobin declined the appointment from President Truman as he had declined a similar appointment from President Roosevelt in the fall of 1943," Flynn said.

Flynn added that Tobin also declined to recommend anyone to the president for the vacancy.

"Mr. Tobin's rejection of the offer by President Truman does not indicate a lack of appreciation of the confidence of the president," the article went on. "Nor can it be construed as opposition to President Truman or the democratic party."

"Instead it was in conformity with Mr. Tobin's determination to remain strictly neutral until the campaign gets under way and the position of both parties and their candidates has become clear."

### Nine Selections On Band Slate

Nine musical selections make up the program of the seventh municipal band concert Monday night in Willson park beginning at 8 o'clock.

The concerts are held each Monday and Thursday nights and will be completed in two weeks. Maurice Brennen leads the Salem Municipal band in this year's series.

Monday night's program includes: March of the Champions — Huffer; Springtime Overture — Leiden; Goldman Band March — King; Waggy for Woodwinds — Walters; Father of Victory March — Ganne; Selections From Carmen — Bizet; Irish Tunes — Granger; Africa to Harlem — Bennett; On the Mall March — Goldman.

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### Weatherman Predicts More High Readings

Temperatures are expected to remain in the 90's today as a blazing sun sent the mercury reaching for record readings Saturday in Salem and over the rest of the state.

In Salem thermometers touched 92 degrees as thousands quit the hot cities for cooling mountains and beaches. U. S. Weather Bureau at McNary field predicted early this morning little change in temperatures is expected until Tuesday, when clouds are predicted.

The Dalles reported Oregon's highest reading of the year Saturday — 103 degrees. The Associated Press said. High temperatures over the state forecast a serious forest fire danger. The beach, however, with an expected 65 degrees today, promises heat relief to visitors.

Throughout most of Oregon temperatures Saturday were higher than the previous day. Ontario recorded 97, Medford 95, Pendleton, Portland (and Salem), 92, and Eugene and Roseburg, 90.

In a month-end report the McNary field weather bureau reported that July's rainfall in the Salem area was nearly twice the normal amount. A total of 0.60 of an inch of rain fell during July; the average July precipitation is 0.39, the weatherman said.

Curiously enough, however, it was reported that June rainfall was 0.22 of an inch under July and far below the June normal which is listed at 1.21 inches.

### President Flies Home to Cast Primary Vote

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., July 31 (AP)—President Truman came home tonight for a brief rest and to cast his vote in the Missouri democratic primary Tuesday.

He flew into the Fairfax airport base in nearby Kansas City, Kan., from the dedication of New York's Idlewild airport in which he and Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, his republican rival for the presidency, shared the same platform.

The big DC-6, the Independence, landed at 8:51 p.m. (EST).

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### Canada Cuts Austerity Tax On Durables

OTTAWA, July 31-(CP)—In a series of surprise announcements, the Canadian government tonight abolished the special austerity taxes and the fourfold series of edicts dealing with bread, oils, fats and mutton.

Effective at midnight tonight, the special excise taxes, ranging up to 25 per cent, cease to apply on a broad list of durable consumer goods. The taxes were imposed in the currency-conservation program last November 17.

Effective Tuesday, all export controls will be lifted from sheep and lambs going to the United States.

Abolition of export permits on sheep and lambs was announced by Agriculture Minister Gardiner. It means that, after Tuesday, farmers and dealers will no longer have to obtain permits to ship livestock out of Canada.

Mr. Gardiner made no reference to the embargo on beef cattle shipments to the United States.

Finance Minister Abbott said continuing improvement of Canada's exchange position, the increasing effectiveness of direct measure of control over imports and the positive efforts to increase exports seem sufficiently encouraging to justify removal of the taxes and edicts.

### West Nations Challenged to Accept Terms

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, July 31 (AP)—Andrei Vishinsky, the Soviet delegate, challenged the western powers today to accept eastern bloc decisions in the Danube conference or take a walk.

The take-it-or-leave-it choice to Britain, France and the United States in the 11-nation gathering was offered in these words:

"The door was opened for you to come in. The door is open for you to go out."

That was his defiant answer to the stand taken a few minutes before by France against committing herself to any recommendations which disregard her existing and "acquired" rights in the Danube.

Adrien Thierry, chief of the French delegation, had declared his country intended to reserve all its rights under past Danubian conventions.

The French position was supported by Britain and Austria.

Vishinsky had served notice that "we are going to have a Danube conference here and we are going to put it to work even though a small minority may disagree with us."

### Tells of Getting Secret Data



WASHINGTON, July 31 — Elizabeth T. Bentley, former Soviet agent, tells a house committee in Washington, D. C., that she got secret wartime information for the Russians from U. S. government officials. Two she named were Lauchlin Currie, one time aide to the late President Roosevelt, and Harry Dexter White, former assistant secretary of the treasury (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman).

### U.S. Thanked for Quick Efforts in Farben Explosion

LUDWIGSHAFEN, Germany, July 31-(AP)—The French sent an official note of thanks today to the Americans for their "previous and immediate help in the Farben chemical plant disaster here Wednesday."

The governor of the French zone Palatinat province said French authorities and the German population "deeply appreciated" the efforts of American fire-fighting and rescue teams which worked through the night. The note was sent to Gen. Lucius D. Clay, American military governor, and other officials.

The number of known dead rose to 168 tonight. Officials said they expected the eventual death toll to reach at least 200.

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### Transient Pair Feared Victim Of Foul Play

VALE, Ore., July 31-(AP)—City Marshal Harry C. Smith said today that Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Perkle, both about 30, transients, had "disappeared" after their 1931 model car was found burning on the city dump near here.

Police said it was definitely established that the car, found July 25, had been deliberately set afire and that gasoline apparently had been poured over the vehicle before it was ignited.

State police at Ontario and Sheriff C. W. Glenn, who were alerted in a search for the Perkle's, said it seemed "they just vanished."

Authorities were checking for any evidence of foul play.

State police said the car had been sold recently to Perkle by Don W. Chamberlain at Burns, Ore.

### MOVIE ACTRESS WEDS

LONDON, July 31-(AP)—Irene Manning, Hollywood stage and screen actress, was married at St. Marylebone registry here today to Clinton H. Green of Providence, R. I. Green is a member of the New York Times London staff.

### CANAL SITE STUDIED

WASHINGTON, July 31-(AP)—Government officials said today the United States has asked and received permission from Colombia to send an army mission to make engineering studies of a possible new interoceanic route through the South American country.

### First Bust of FDR Dedicated in Little Pennsylvania City

SUGAR NOTCH, Pa., July 31 (AP)—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt unveiled today the first bust of the late president to be dedicated in the United States since his death more than three years ago.

The statute honored Roosevelt as one of the service dead of the tiny coal mining town of Sugar Notch in eastern Pennsylvania. His name headed the list of 23 Gold Star names from Sugar Notch.

More than 5,000 persons witnessed the ceremony, although Sugar Notch itself has a population of only 2,300.

"My husband," Mrs. Roosevelt told the gathering, "strove for two definite things — first the democracy of the United States and second to lead the world to peace."

"That," she added, "is something we still have to do."

### Arab Nations Still Advocate War Measure

CAIRO, July 31-(AP)—The secretary-general of the Arab league said today each Arab country should build up its army on the assumption the Palestine question will be settled only by force.

Abdel Rahman Azzam Pasha told a news conference the Arab governments should use the present truce period to strengthen their forces.

Azzam Pasha said that Arab demands for a fixed time limit on the truce, stopping of Jewish immigration and repatriation of Palestine Arab refugees had been sent to County Folke Bernadotte, U.N. mediator, for submission to the U.N. security council.

### STASSEN TO SPEAK

PORTLAND, July 31-(AP)—Harold E. Stassen probably will be the main speaker at the republican state central committee's September meeting here.

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