

JULIUS H. BARNES IS U. S. WHEAT DIRECTOR

Head of Grain Corporation Accepts Appointment.

BILLION TO BE HANDLED

President Cables Tribute for Services Already Rendered and Thanks of All America.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Julius H. Barnes, president of the Federal Grain Corporation, has been appointed wheat director of the United States by President Wilson, it was announced tonight at the office of the food administration in this city.

Mr. Barnes will direct the handling of the entire 1919 wheat crop and will administer the \$1,000,000,000 fund appropriated by congress to take care of the crop under the government guarantee price. He was selected for the place, it was announced, upon recommendation of Herbert Hoover.

Barnes' Work Appreciated.

In addition to the administration of the \$1,000,000,000 fund, Mr. Barnes will remain president of the 150,000,000 government grain corporation which will continue to function as the commercial agency for carrying out the government policies and which also acts as the purchasing representative of the American relief administration.

President Wilson said in his cable to Mr. Barnes, requesting him to become wheat director:

"Your responsibility will be directly to myself after Mr. Hoover's retirement as chairman of the grain corporation on July 1. The experience which you have gained in the handling of the wheat and cereal crops under the food administration has been so generally recognized by expressions from the different sections of the country that I feel it would be a national loss if you could not have your services continued until the completion of this most important national undertaking.

President is Grateful.

"I should like to take this occasion to express the high appreciation and gratitude which I have for the services performed not only by yourself but by the directors, vice-presidents and other members of the grain corporation. The sacrifice which these gentlemen have given in times of national emergency, the skill and integrity with which they have carried through so difficult an economic undertaking, is one which I am sure the whole of our people must appreciate. I am in hopes that these gentlemen will remain with you in this service and I would be glad if you would convey to each of them my personal gratitude for the exhibition of sacrifice and willingness to national service which is so promising to the future welfare of our people."

Responsibility Accepted.

Mr. Barnes in his cabled acceptance, replied: "I appreciate most gratefully your expression of approval of the work of myself and my associates in the grain corporation for the past two years under Mr. Hoover and I shall convey with great pleasure and pride to those associates the high appreciation you so generously express. We have no misconception regarding the scope of the problems to be met in administering justly the national wheat price guaranty this coming year.

"I accept the responsibility you tender with a sincere desire on my part to discharge its duties to the interests of our whole people, and I shall endeavor to carry into that service also my present associates possessing all ready, as I believe they do, the public confidence."

WILSON MAY SAIL MAY 15

(Continued From First Page.)—Military experts under direction of Marshal Foch have been charged with drafting a report on what should be done if Germany refuses to sign the treaty of peace. It is indicated that the methods of coercion may include occupation of more German territory, blockade of enemy ports and discontinuance of the dispatch of food supplies to Germany.

PARIS, April 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—The plan of the council of four to have Belgium present the former German emperor on the charge of responsibility for the war in meeting with objections which are again bringing up the whole subject for revision.

Offenders are Classified.

Those who have the matter in hand divide the question of war responsibilities into two distinct classes. The first class includes military and naval offenders, like General Lindendorff and Admiral von Tirpitz, and those accused of various excesses against the usual rules of warfare. The second class includes former Emperor William, Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg and others whose offense is chiefly of a political nature.

Concerning the first-class, that of military offenders, it is agreed that there is no international court martial suitable to undertake such military trials, but it is pointed out that every country has its own system of courts.

There's something about them you'll like.

Tareyton London Cigarettes advertisement featuring a portrait of a man and the brand name.

BELLANS Hot water Sure Relief advertisement for indigestion.

BELLANS FOR INDIGESTION advertisement.

EGGY advertisement.

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Women's Pumps and Oxfords advertisement with price list: PATENT LEATHER MARY JONES FOR MISSES AND CHILDREN, WHITE CANVAS MARY JONES FOR MISSES AND CHILDREN, ALSO EMMY LOUS. Sizes 5 to 12, at \$1.75 to \$2.25.

Dress Accessories for Easter advertisement: New Vests, New Marabou Capes, \$7.50 to \$25, New Plush Capes and Stoles, \$6 to \$40.

New Veils and Veilings advertisement: All the very newest veilings in black—taupe, navy and brown. Drape Veils, 75c to \$3.00 each. Circular Veils, 25c to 50c Each.

Silk Envelope Chemise advertisement: Beautiful and Exquisitely Trimmed Garments at \$1.59, \$1.98 and \$3.19. See Our Special Display in Third St. Window.

MULTNOMAH HOTEL advertisement: PORTLAND, OREGON. Music and Dancing, Garage in Connection, Special Easter Sunday Dinner \$1.50 to 8 P. M.

Roberts Bros. advertisement: Store Opens at 8:30 A. M., Saturday at 9 A. M., Store Closes at 5:30 P. M., Saturday at 6 P. M. The Most in Value—The Best in Quality.