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Scramble for High Places Includes Dozen for Japanese Envoy.

BERLIN IS SCORNED

London, Paris and South American Capitals Are Much Sought.

500 LETTERS DAILY GRIST

President-Elect Invites Coolidge to Seat in Cabinet and Place Is Accepted.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD. MARION, Ohio, Dec. 16.—The rush for high places in the American diplomatic service under the new Administration is almost comparable to the scramble for postmasterhips in the days when civil service was only a dream of reformers.

Among the five hundred letters that Senator Harding receives every day of the week, not a few come recommending Mr. So and so for the post at the Court of St. James's or the equally distinguished honor of the Ambassadorship to France.

Applications for South America, especially for the Argentine, Brazil, Chile, Peru and Venezuela, come winging in since the great posts in the South American capitals have grown vastly in the last twelve years.

Herrick's Aspirations.

As regards hopes and aspirations of men whose friends urge them for various diplomatic posts abroad, it may be said that Myron T. Herrick of Cleveland, formerly Governor of Ohio, later Ambassador to France, is put forward as a candidate for Ambassador to Great Britain.

Another possibility for Great Britain is Gov. Frank O. Lowden of Illinois, who came so near to the nomination at Chicago. It is reported from out Chicago way that the Governor would be pleased to be named Ambassador to some first rate European Power.

New York Men Ambitious.

Charles H. Sherrill of New York city is said to be willing to shoulder the responsibilities of Ambassador or even Minister. Mr. Sherrill was Minister to the Argentine under President Taft.

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President-elect Harding's only visitor to-day was the Vice-President-elect, Calvin Coolidge. Gov. Coolidge came this morning and remained until the middle of the afternoon.

He wanted him, as Vice-President, to take a place in the Cabinet. "I desire not only to do something toward restoring the office of Vice-President to the dignity and stature meant by the Constitution," Senator Harding said.

In reply Gov. Coolidge told Senator Harding this afternoon that he honored by the invitation, but that he felt a little reluctant to accept. He raised the point that some people might not think the Vice-President held a right in the Cabinet that it might create some animosity.

Returning to Senator Harding's home from the Marion Club, Gov. Coolidge chatted with the newspaper correspondent. "Of course," he said, "it is gratifying to me, as it is to all Americans I am sure, to see the fashion in which Senator Harding is taking up the honoraries of his administration. He is very plainly bringing the national mind to agree to a course that may be a great blessing to the country."

"Quite aside from its relationship to my own state, I have been gratified at Senator Harding's declaration that he intends to make the Vice-President a more significant part in the Administration. To whatever extent it may be possible for me to be helpful, it will be a great pleasure to me, and I will be very sure that my part can be played in all sincerity and all single-mindedness."

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Soviet 'Ambassador' Declared by Secretary of Labor to Be Unwelcome Alien.

MUST GO BACK TO RUSSIA

Red Government Accused of Advocating Overthrow by Force of American Rule.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD. New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.

Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, Soviet Ambassador to the United States, has been ordered deported as an undesirable alien by Secretary of Labor Wilson.

Decision in the Martens case, which has attracted international attention, was made by the Labor Department after months of hearings and arguments. During all this time Martens has been on parole in custody of his counsel, former Representative Hardwick of Georgia.

It is significant that the Labor Department in its findings in the case declares that the Russian Soviet advocates the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force and violence.

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Martens is an official of and therefore a member of or affiliated with the Soviet Government, an organization that entertains a belief in, teaches or advocates the overthrow by force or violence of the Government of the United States.

"The question of whether Martens is a Russian or German does not affect the consideration of his presence in the United States in violation of law. For the purposes of the immigration laws, his citizenship only relates to the country to which he shall be deported, and for that purpose it is held that he is a citizen of Russia."

URGES FREE PHILIPPINES.

Fear Tells House Armed Soldiers Should Be Removed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Philippine independence was advocated to-day in the House by Representative Fear, Republican of Wisconsin, who declared the United States should not continue its hold of the island by armed soldiers stationed there.

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BONUS IN 1923, BEST PROMISE IN HOUSE

Legion Men Learn That U. S. Debts May Cause a Wait Even Two Years More.

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