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And, last but not least, as a tip to

newspaper men in Washington who

will find Senor Najera a distinct ad-

dition to the diplomatic colony of the

Nation's Capital, the new Mexican

Ambassador likes good beer and good

bridge-and he has more than a

the Manchurian affair.

Dr. Castillo Najera Noted for His Work With League.

Follows Members of Other Delegations to Washington.

BY ALBIN E. JOHNSON.

ENEVA. — Europe's interna-tional colony, which con-verges at Geneva, lost one of its most popular members when Senor Dr. Castillo Najera, Mexican Minister to Paris and delegate to the League of Nations, was promoted to represent Mexico City as

Ambassador at Washington. One of the leaders of the Latin American group, an accomplished diplomat and statesman, a sincere protagonist of the League idea, Najera almost since the very day of his arrival upon the Geneva scene, late in 1933, has been a big figure in League circles, particularly in questions dealing with the troubled South American affairs. In going to the United States he is joining an already large group of foreign notables who have passed on and off the Geneva stage-Ferdinand Veverka, Czechoslovakian Minister at Washington: John Pelenyi, Hungarian Minister: Michael Mac-White, Irish Free State Envoy Extraordinary; Eero Jamefeldt, who has just succeeded Mr. L. Astrom as Minister for Finland: Salvador de Madariaga, ex-Ambassador of the Spanish Republic: Signor Augusto Rosso, Ambassador, and Signor Andrea Ferrero, secretary, of the Italian Embassy; E. d'Arcy McGreer, secretary of the Canadian Legation, and many others. Even the Japanese Ambassador and Chinese Minister, Hirosi Saito and Alfred Sao-ke Sze, are "graduates" of Geneva, having served on various delegations at one time or another.

#### Exceeded by None.

But, without exaggeration, it can speaking acquaintance with good honestly be said that none of his predecessors who have taken the route that leads to Washington have exceeded Castillo Najera in popularity, and it will be a long time before another statesman enters the League spotlight to outshine him. Lavish praise-but ask any of Najera's colleagues of the past two years what they think of him! In handling the Leticia Commis-

sion, which adjusted the quarrel between Peru and Colombia, and as president of the Chaco Commission, which is still seeking to end the internecine strife between Paraguay and Bolivia, Senor Najera has been able to preserve a united front of South American and Latin American states almost continuously. He also served as president of the extraordinary assembly recently convened to deal with the Chaco affair, presiding with such skill that the League was able to obtain a practically unanimous agreement upon applying the arms embargo and in determining the "aggressor.

Senor Najera has stood out among presiding officials who at various mes have directed the league commissions, conferences and assemblies chiefly because he has a complete disregard for the so-called niceties of parliamentary procedure Not that he rides rough-shod over verbose delegates, but because he believes in getting things done. There perhaps never has been seen on the Geneva stage as forceful a chairman as Najera. No delegate-not even the clever French diplomats or suave British spokesmen—has cluttered up conferences over which the Mexican Minister to Paris presided, with technicalities or inconsequential side is-

#### Popular With News Men.

Najera also has been exceedingly popular with the newspaper men who frequent Geneva, so popular, in fact, that he was made one of the few honor guests of the Cercle de la Presse shortly after his first visit to the League. On leaving for his Washington assignment he was again feted, diplomats, League officials and members of the Geneva Latin-American colony joining the International Association of Journalists in a fare-

well banquet.
Prentiss Gilbert, the State Department's liaison officer with the League, in paying tribute to Najera, said: "My personal feelings for Senor Najera go far beyond mere official

sentiment. He has, I feel, permitted me to share his friendship. I have, moreover, discovered through this friendship that Senor Najera, coming from a great country neighboring my own, possesses a peculiarly clear understanding of our institutions and our It is such an understanding which he carries with him to Wash-ington, and which, added to his great personal qualities and distinguished diplomatic attainments, presages for him eminent success. I am certain that this will be of outstanding value not only to his country but also to my own, and I therefore, somewhat selfishly perhaps, am unable to share entirely in the regrets at his leaving us here in Geneva.

Aside from his official qualifications. Najera's popularity in Geneva arose from the fact that he was what is known as a "regular fellow." A bon vivant, he was a familiar figure at the many out-of-the-way auberges and village restaurants which surround Geneva-mostly across the frontier in France-where statesmen and newspapermen gathered to wine and With a command of at least languages, he is a fluent lin-

#### Poet of Ability.

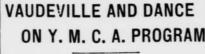
Belying his looks Senor Najera is a poet of no mean ability. Besides publishing a volume of folklore poetry of his own people he has translated from the French into Spanish a "100 years' anthology of Belgian poetry." He was at one time Mexican Minister to Belgium before being transferred to the

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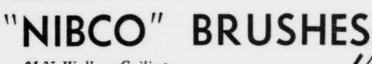
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