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Three score and four there were gathered, comrades all, three score and four tried and found true on many battlefields; comrades of mess, field and bivouac, and the result was mirth and good cheer which time cannot efface. Perfectly carried out on elaborate lines, no detail overlooked, the feast itself but a part of the evening's program of oratory, wit, music and good fellowship, without a break from greetings to good nights.

Cigars had barely followed coffee when President Kellogg rapped for order, presenting Mr. Hunter as toastmaster, and with his opening remarks, it was apparent that the selection had been well made; his introductions sparkling with delicate wit and repartee and his stories as new and as bright as the emblem of the organization. The honor speaker was Mr. Tufts, who referred, in opening, to the early history of the Club "from which has developed", as he expressed it, "one of the greatest golf organizations in the country, and which has certainly been the greatest 'Booster' of 'The Game' Pinehurst has known." In conclusion his tribute to the work of Professionals Donald and Alexander Ross was greeted with prolonged applause. National Amateur Champion Fownes, was next called upon and while he said little, under protest—"I'm not a speaker and never was. I've got nothing to say and I'm not going to say anything"—was sufficiently terse to make a hit.

Mr. W. L. Hurd, who followed, was easily the star of the evening, his verses containing sly pokes at the various members, ("translated from an ancient Scotch manuscript brought across the water by Professional Donald Ross,") a masterpiece which brought down the house; and which we hope to print later on in response to numerous requests.

Mr. E. C. Fownes followed with several inimitable dialect stories, after which the toastmaster called upon Professional Donald Ross as "one whom we may admire much for his golf, but whose character and splendid manhood we admire

more." Donald's talk was a plea that golfers act as missionaries in aiding those in charge of golf courses to enforce necessary regulations without which the game would be lost. In closing he thanked the Tin Whistles for the cordial support they had always given and referred to Mr. Tufts as the man "behind the gun" who was always first and foremost in his stand for golf in its truest and best sense.

Rev. Mr. Cheatham's remarks struck the keynote of the evening when he said: "Pinehurst has needed just this sort of thing; the element of good fellowship which is exemplified tonight and which is, in reality, the most important factor of the game. The Tin Whistles are men who realize that there are limitless possibilities in golf and who are deriving from it increasing pleasure in consequence, thus playing an important part in further spreading Pinehurst's fame as the leading golf center of the world."

Mr. E. G. Chandler, who was introduced as a "barbarian," and devoted his time to the gun instead of the golf club, said that there was no place on the earth where the air was so pregnant with golf as at Pinehurst and that none more fully demonstrated just what a wonderful, game it was. "Your number two course", he concluded, "is a world beater, but if you really want to hear golf, the nineteenth holes in the hotel lobbies are the place."

Mr. Prestley S. MacLaughlin followed, his talk a series of rapid-fire stories which kept the company in a continuous roar of laughter. Mr. Foot, the closing speaker, referred to the wide range of territory represented by the Club's members, at the conclusion of which Toastmaster Hunter called for three cheers for the committee of arrangements which were given with a zest equal to that which greeted the first speaker. Then "Auld Lang Syne", good nights—and—pleasant memories.

Arranged in the form of a U, the tables brought the company together as a unit, friends at your elbow and across the table; the boutonniere of violets at each plate suggestive of the sentiment of the occasion, the Club pins and menus appropriate souvenirs, and the orchestral selections a happy diversion to which "Mac" added his part by sending caricatures around the board and Mr. J. D. Foot, as leader in the evening's singing, contributed much.

Occupying positions of honor at "key" table were President J. E. Kellogg and the guests: the Hon. Robert Hunter, toastmaster of the evening; Mr. Leonard Tufts, owner of Pinehurst; Herbert L. Jillson, Editor of THE PINEHURST OUTLOOK; Professional Alexander Ross, Mr. Prestley S. MacLaughlin, known to fame as "Mac, caricaturist"; Mr. Evan G. Chandler, a non-golfer; the Rev. T. A. Cheatham, Resident Minister; Professional Donald J. Ross, Mr. William L. Hurd, former President of the Whistles and its revered historian; ex-president James D. Foot, and the Club's choir master; National Amateur Champion William C. Fownes, Jr., and his uncle, Mr. E. S. Fownes.

Members gathered at the left wing included Messrs. Irving S. Robeson, Charlton L. Becker, Henry C. Fownes, George

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