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How the Iniquitous Order Was Originally Organized.

SUPERSTITIOUS PEOPLE, NOTE.

Were Thirteen Charter Members and the Initial Meeting Was Held in Yell Everett's Saloon, in January, 1885. Another Story Says on Bald Knob.

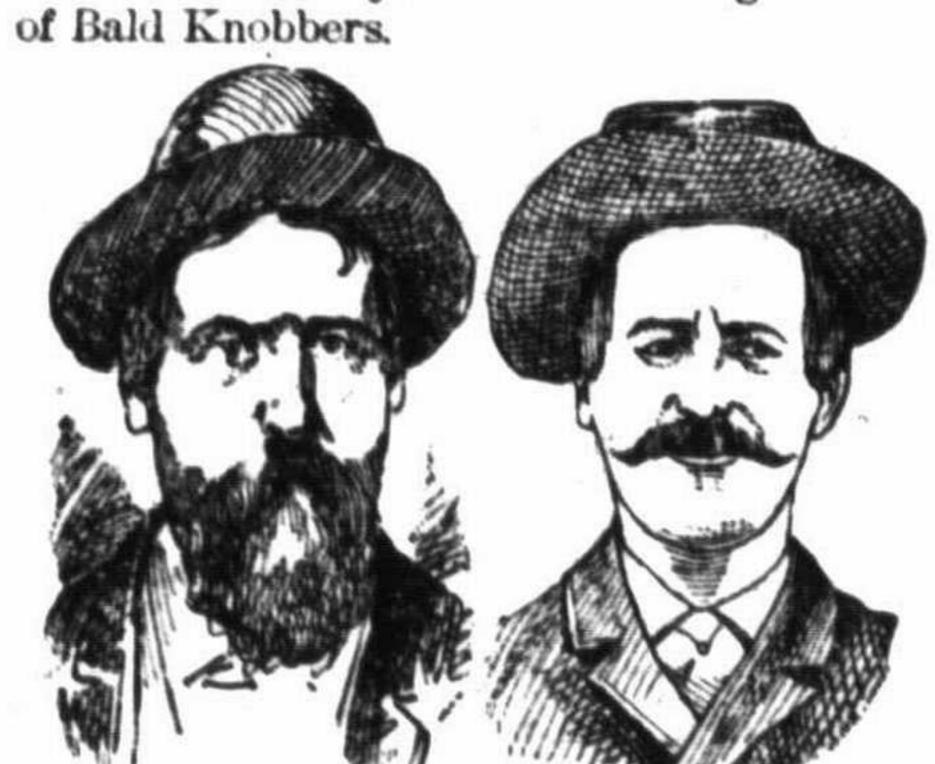
Here is an interesting account of the forming of the Bald Knobbers, that mysterious oath bound society that has so long terrorized Missouri. Its forms part of The New York Sun's comprehensive history of the order and is specially timely in view of the recent cutting of the walls of Ozark jail, wherein were confined four Bald Knobbers condemned to death, two of whom, Bill and Dave Walker, refused to go.

ORGANIZED AS A SECRET SOCIETY. It is commonly believed throughout this country, says The Sun's historian, that the first meeting of the Bald Knobbers as a secret organization was held on the big bald peak that eventually gave its name to the society. The fact is that thirteen men met in Forsyth first at the saloon formerly owned by J. M. Everett, but which was then run by his brother Yell. Those who are superstitious will see in the number who were present a portent of what was to come. Among the charter members were Capt. N. N. Kinney, Col. A. S. Prather, Yell Everett, J. B. Rice, T. W. Phillips, Capt. J. R. Van Zandt, Capt. P. F. Fickle, Lawyer J. J. Brown, G. E. Branson, J. K. McHaffle and J. A. De Long. Editor Patterson says he was notified to attend, but having been told that it was to be made an oath bound secret society, he declined to do so. This meeting was held in January, 1885. It was there formally voted, Capt. Kinney being in the chair, to make the order secret. Lawyer J. J. Brown was appointed a committee to draw up the form of an oath for members, and Capt. Kinney to prepare the constitution and bylaws.

J. A. De Long, who was captain of a company of forty-four Bald Knobbers afterward, says the next meeting was held on the great bald peak, the bald knob of the county, which is situated about eight miles west of Forsyth. It was held in April, but he declined to give the day, which was April 5. Capt. Kinney went there alone very early in the morning.

This peak was chosen because it commanded a view of the country for miles around, and no one could get within half a mile of the summit from any direction without being seen by any one there. The members were. thus enabled to say that they met openly where any one could see them, but the fact is that no one who had not been invited was allowed to approach, and three farmers who came uninvited were told that if they wanted to come in they must wait until the next meeting. In Mr. De Long's paper of Sept. 27, 1888, is an article describing this first meetin. He says, as a charter member, that is accurate.

With fear and trembling a few of the most venturesome approached the spot in terror lest they should be led into a trap. As they cautiously appeared at the edge of the opening they found a man who was typical of the cause in which they were expected to enlist. This was Capt. N. N. Kinney, a man who was as fearless as he was active, a giant in stature and as straight as an arrow. He had been a pioneer all his life, and was the owner of a large cattle ranch, and had been a sufferer from the depredations of the lawless men who infested the section until forbearance ceased to be virtue. With only a half dozen of the best citizens of the country around him he then and there planted the seed which grew into what is today known as the organization



CAPT. KINNEY. The reférence to half a dozen men going there in fear and trembling makes the opponents of the Bald Knobbers snort with disgust. They say that the men rode up to the peak on horseback, and that each one was greeted by Capt. Kinney in person half way

down the peak. When all who had been invited were present, the throng numbered nearly a hundred. Capt. Kinney made them a speech to brace them up. This speech, as near as those who heard it can recollect, was a blood stirring oration over the bloody shirt of J. M. Everett and the crimes and immorality that had been allowed to go unpunished It ended thus:

"What will become of our sons and daughters? Our lives, our property and our liberty are at stake. I appeal to you, as citizens of Taney county, to say what we shall do. Shall we organize ourselves into a vigilant committee and see that when crimes are committed the laws are enforced, or shall we sit down and fold our arms and quietly sub-

There was a motion in due form that a "vigilant committee" be organized. "Are you ready for the question?" said

Chairman Kinney. "Boys, she pops," said a facetious member of the crowd. The saying is common enough among the mountaineers, but it struck the fancy of the crowd at this time, and "Boys, she pops," was thereafter adopted as the "Aye" of the members. This was the second time they had agreed to organize.

Lawyer Brown then brought out the oath he had prepared and read it over aloud. It was approved by all. Then the men joined hands in groups of thirteen each and repeated

it as follows: THE OATH. Do you, in the presence of God and these witnesses, solemnly swear that you will never reveal any of the secrets of this order, nor communicate any part of it to any person or persons in the known world, unless you are satisfied by a strict test, or in some legal way, that they are lawfully entitled to receive them; that you will conform and abide by the rules and regulations of this order, and obey all orders of your superior officers or any brother officer under whose jurisdiction you may be at the time attached; nor will you propose for membership or sanction the admission of any one whom you have reason to believe is not worthy of being a member, nor will you oppose the admission of any one solely on a personal matter. You shall report all theft leave any unreported on account of his being blood relation of yours; nor will you willfully report any one through personal enmity. You shall recognize and answer all signs made by lawful brothers, and render them such assistance a they may be in need of, so far as you are able or the interest of your faffilly will permit; nor will you willfully wrong or Cefraud a brother, or permit it if in your power to prevent it. Should you

willfully and knowingly violate this oath in any

way, you subject yourself to the jurisdiction of

twelve members of this order, even if their decision should be to hang you by the neck until you are dead, dead, dead. So help me God.

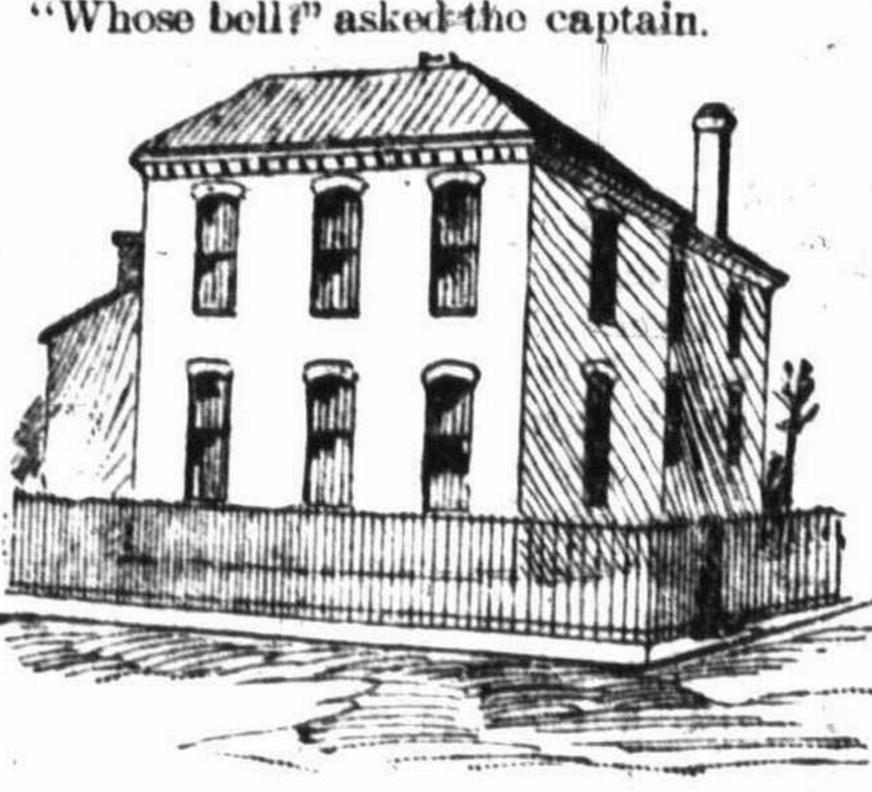
Although these charter members took the oath while clasping hands, those subsequently initiated had a different sort of ceremony. Charles Graves, a member of the Christian county branch of the order, testified under oath that when he was initiated he was told. before taking the oath, that once in the order there were but two ways to get out of it.

"One way was at, the muzzle of a gun and the other at the end of a rope. There was a belt put around my neck, representing a rope, and a pistol put to my breast, and I was told to hold my right hand up and put my left hand on my heart, and then the pledge was administered."

The oath alone was the product of Lawyer Brown. The claptrap ceremony was devised by Capt. Kinney, who very well knew what would make the deepest impression on the minds of the mountaineers. Having taken the oath, the assembly then considered what name they should adopt. It is said that Mr. J. R. Van Zandt, who had been a member of the state legislature, proposed the name of Bald Knobbers, taking the idea from the

ACCIDENTS SOMETIMES HAPPENED. Of course there must needs be grips, passwords, etc. The work of getting into a meeting when held by day was nothing, for the members were all personally acquainted with each other. At night the captain of the band had to go to the place of meeting first. Then as each member approached he was required to whistle as long as possible without varying the note. This done the captain

"Who goes there?" "Bell," answered the member. "Whose bell?" asked the captain.



OZARK JAIL.

"My bell." One Knobber told The Sun reporter that the last answer was properly, "Your bell." That was the original answer, but "My bell" was subsequently used altogether.

The first rule for the governing of the order proposed by Capt. Kinney was that nothing should thereafter be written. No mark or written sign was ever made after the oath had been committed to memory and the written document destroyed. The next rule was that when anything was to be done by the original organization or by any of its branches the matter had first to be referred to the chief of the county organization, who was to lay it before a council of five, and thus the course to be pursued was adopted. This rule very quickly fell into disuse, however, and a majority vote of those present decided what

should be done. When work had to be done masks were necessary to prevent the victims from recognizing their assailants. It was intended, one might almost infer from the large number of dead and small number of wounded, that not many of the victims should ever live to appear as witnesses against their assailants. Still accidents might and did happen, and masks were provided for. These were of two sorts, varying only in the way they were ornamented. A black cambric skullcap was first made that fitted over the top of the head and down to the eyebrows. From this a flap depended over the face and down to the breast. Holes were cut for the eyes and mouth, and these holes were stitched around, buttonhole fashion, with red thread. Then on top of the skull cap two cones made of black cambric were sewed, the bases of the cones being stiffened with corks or plugs of wood. The point of the cone hada tassel of red thread on it. The cone was from four to six inches long, and looked like a horn. Then a circle of white paint was drawn around the eye and mouth holes, and streaks of white paint to represent rudely a beard were drawn from the mouth hole down to the end of the flap. Some had no paint on them, however. The newly initiated members had to pay 25 cents each to the captain of the band for the masks.

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plause. This prodigy is Miss Lucille Elstun, 18 stun may be said to whistle in her mouth, for she

her parents tried to

break her of the LUCILLE ELSTUN. habit, but being a

born whistler she continued to send forth melodious sounds through her puckered lips. Miss Elstun is described as a bright, intelligent girl, with a wealth of dark hair and blue eyes, of medium height and well developed. The sounds which come from her when whistling are not shrill but flute like. She has a fine musical ear and accompanies herself on the piano. She accomplishes everything in the whistling line except the warble, which is produced by the cheeks. This she is trying to

There is a good deal said contemptuously about "whistling girls" and "crowing hens," but the truth is a girl's lips are far more capable of pretty puckering than a boy's. A girl's lips are not liable to be covered over with sprouting mustaches, consequently they are always visible; and while there is only one position in which they are not pleasing to look at (when they are drawn down at the corners), there are a thousand in which they are not only delightful to the sight but fascinating to the touch, especially when one is of the masculine gender and knows how they should be touched. Indeed, when one considers the position of a girl's lips when whistling and the ravishingly melodious sounds that come from them, the wonder is that the performance is not interfered with by an os-culatory application on the part of the lis-

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