



COUNCIL OAK
AUG. 18, 1871
UNDER THIS TREE THE TREATY
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT
AND SEVERAL INDIAN TRIBES
WAS SIGNED - BEING THE PLACE
WHERE THE INDIAN CHIEF
SIGNED THE TREATY
SIGNING THE CONFEDERATION

Council Oak
Council Grove, Ind.

Enclosure 5. Photo of Council Oak, Main Street, Council Grove, Kansas.

Near this oak was signed the 1825 treaty with the Osage Indians which led to the establishment of the Santa Fe Trail. Destroyed in a windstorm in July, 1958, cover for the stump has been erected, and the site is being maintained as a historic shrine.



POST OFFICE
FROM 1825 TO 1847 ACADEMIC
AT THE FOOT OF THIS TREE
SERVED AS A POST OFFICE
FOR INCOMING AND OUTGOING
WAGON TRAINS

Enclosure 7. Photo of Postoffice Oak, Main Street, Council Grove, Kansas.

A cache at the base of this tree served as a postoffice for travelers on the Santa Fe Trail from 1825 to 1847. Ceremonies dedicating the Kansas Centennial Commemorative Stamp and opening the First Day Sale of the stamp were held under the branches of this oak May 10, 1961.



OLD HAYS TAVERN

Enclosure 8. Photo of Hays Tavern, Main Street, Council Grove, Kansas.

Seth M. Hays, the first white settler at Council Grove, established his home and trading post in 1847 in a log cabin just west of the Neosho river on the north side of the Santa Fe Trail. The present structure, erected in 1857, has undergone several changes but still retains basic parts of the original building.



COUNCIL GROVE HISTORIC DISTRICT

Council Grove, Kansas

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Last Chance Store

COUNCIL OAK
AUGUST 10, 1825
UNDER THIS TREE
THE TREATY BETWEEN
THE U.S. COMMISSIONERS AND
THE OSAGE INDIANS WAS SIGNED
GIVING THE RIGHT OF WAY
FOREVER THROUGH THEIR LAND
ESTABLISHING THE SANTA FE TRIAL.

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Seth Hayes House



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SANTA FE TRAIL
1822—1872
MARKED BY THE
DAUGHTERS OF THE
AMERICAN REVOLUTION
AND THE STATE OF KANSAS
1906

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Santa Fe Trail Marker

HAYS HOUSE 1857



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Hayes House



LAST CHANCE STORE
REST
BUILT BY JOHN HILL
THE LAST CHANCE
FOR SUPPLIES BEFORE
CROSSING SANDY CREEK AND
ENTERING THE WILDERNESS



COUNCIL GROVE HISTORIC LANDMARK

Preserved original Last Chance Store. Built in 1857.

Privately owned, not open to public except by appointment.

Note Highway 56 marked as Santa Fe Trail.



COUNCIL GROVE HISTORIC LANDMARK

2. Council Oak under free form shelter. Landmark plaque center of 3 at right on limestone slab.



PRIVATE PROPERTY

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COUNCIL GROVE HISTORIC LANDMARK

Post Office Oak on private
property. (easily viewed by
parking at curb)

US 56
ADMIRE
EXIT 1 MILE
OLD SANTA FE TRAIL



COUNCIL GROVE HISTORIC LANDMARK

1. Exit sign on Kansas toll road to Highway 56, Old Santa Fe Trail.



COUNCIL GROVE HISTORIC SITE

Front of Last Chance Store.

Note the post guided markers,
top one showing a numbered tour
with arrow pointing sign to
the succeeding tour.