

**HISTORIC TREE.**

D. W. Hoover this week planed out a piece of cottonwood which is of more historic value than any other piece of wood ever seen in Lyons. It was taken from a cottonwood tree under whose shade Lewis and Clarke held a great council with the Indians August 19, 1804, in Dakota county. Some time ago M. M. Warner was requested to furnish a piece of wood from some historic tree in Nebraska to be used in making a gavel to call the next republican convention to order, which meets at Philadelphia, and a similar request will be asked of each of the other states. Below we reproduce the description which accompanied the piece of wood to its destination in Ohio:

"This piece of wood was taken from a cottonwood tree, under whose shade Lewis and Clarke held a great council with several representatives from the different tribes of Northwestern Indians, on the afternoon of August 18, 1804, where the aborigines expressed a willingness to become a part of the government of the United States and where peace generally was established between the warring tribes, this being the first notification of the Louisiana purchase. The tree at that time was about 34 years old, and five years old when the battle of Bunker Hill was fought. Under this memorable tree many of Nebraska's fearless pioneers

have camped as they pitched their tents upon her wild and primeval prairie. Here also, Col. J. F. Warner and party camped for dinner, in the early summer of 1860 while on their way to the great republican convention at Chicago, where Col. Warner, as Nebraska's delegate, seconded the nomination of Abraham Lincoln for president, in behalf of the choice of Nebraska people. Full account of this tree is given on pages 36 and 37 of Warner's History of Dakota County, Nebraska.—M. M. Warner, in Lyons (Neb.) Mirror."

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#### ORDER OF HEARING ON ORIGINAL PROBATE OF WILL.

State of Nebraska, } ss.  
Otoe County.

At a County Court, held at the County Court Room, in and for said County, December 28th A. D. 1899.

Present, M. C. Joyce, County Judge. In the matter of the estate of Monroe L. Hayward, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition of William Hayward, praying that the instrument, filed on the 26th day of December 1899, and purporting to be the last will and testament of the said deceased, may be proved, approved, probated, allowed, and recorded as the last will and testament of the said Monroe L. Hayward, deceased, and that the execution of said instrument may be committed and the administration of said estate may be granted to Jennie P. Hayward as executrix,

ORDERED, That January 25th A. D. 1900, at 1 o'clock p. m., is assigned for hearing said petition, when all persons interested in said matter may appear at a County Court to be held in and for said County, and show cause why the prayer of petitioner should not be granted; and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof, be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in THE CONSERVATIVE, a weekly newspaper printed in said County, for three successive weeks, prior to said day of hearing.

[SEAL.]

M. C. JOYCE,  
County Judge.

#### NOTICE OF INCORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have organized a corporation under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Nebraska: The name of said corporation is THE OVERLAND REAL ESTATE AND INVESTMENT COMPANY. Its principal place of transacting business is in Nebraska City, Otoe County, Nebraska. The business of said corporation shall be to provide, maintain and operate a public theatre and audience hall to be known as THE OVERLAND THEATRE, to buy and sell real estate, to negotiate loans and investments, and to do all things incident to the foregoing. Said corporation's capital stock is Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollars, of which Fifteen Thousand (\$15,000.00) Dollars shall be paid up stock. Said corporation commenced business December 1st, 1899, and shall continue for 99 years, unless the said incorporators shall sooner terminate the same by due course of procedure. The indebtedness of said corporation shall never exceed Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars. The corporation's affairs shall be conducted by a Manager and a Board of three (3) directors elected by its stockholders.

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