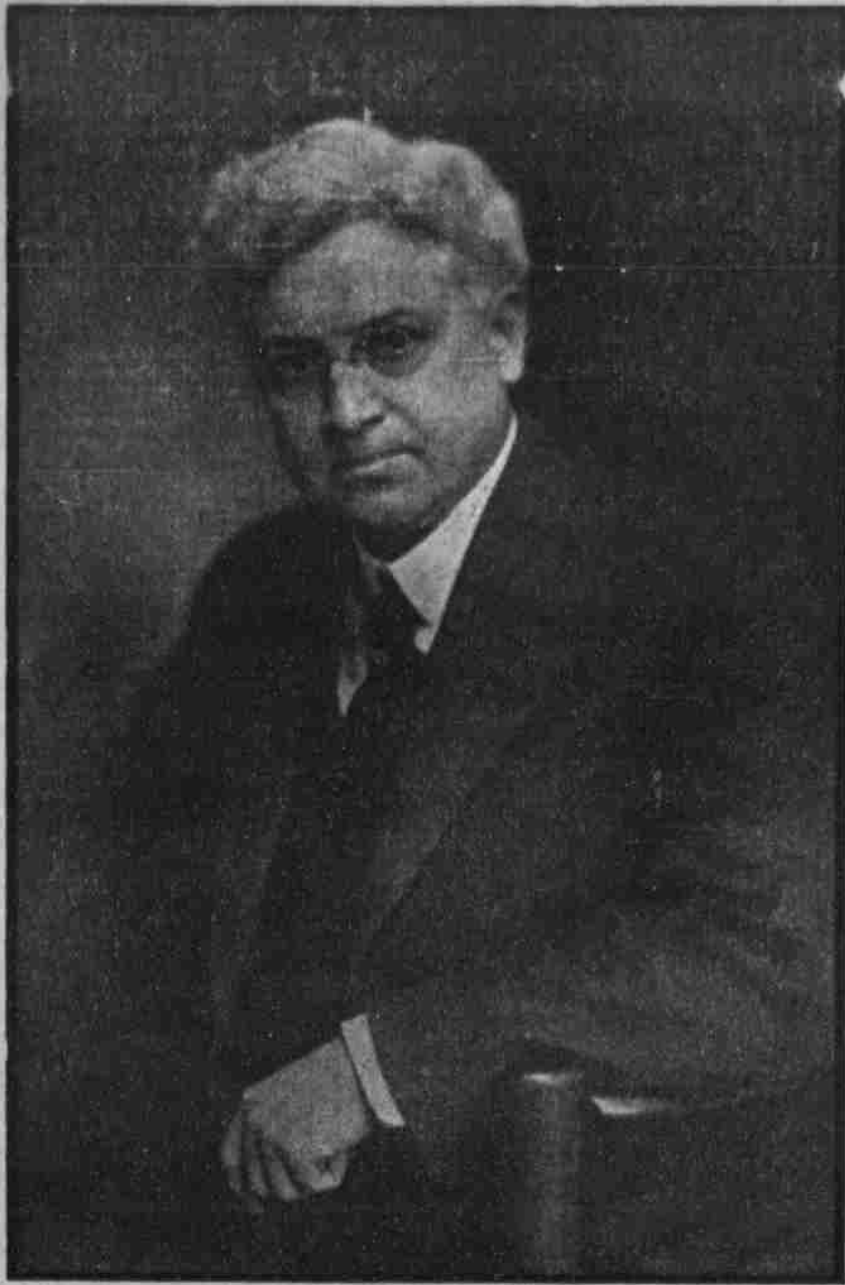


**W. C. T. U. DEPARTMENT**



HON. DON L. LOVE, LINCOLN, NEB.

**Mayor Love of Lincoln Says Dry Policy Pays.**

Through the courtesy of the Nebraska State Journal, we have the pleasure of giving the readers of this department a photograph of Mayor Love of Lincoln, whose high standing as a citizen and business man, as well as his official position, give weight to any statements which he makes in regard to the effects of the no-saloon policy which Lincoln adopted last year. Following is an extract from an address made by him six months

after the saloons at Lincoln had been closed:

In the first place, in regard to arrests. Our police records show a falling off in the number of arrests made for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. It is true there is but a slight decrease in arrests as compared with the corresponding period last year, but this does not show the real condition here in Lincoln for the reason that we have the town of Havelock so near us, where they have the open saloon, and from 80 to 90 per cent of the arrests made for drunkenness since Lincoln went dry have been persons taken directly from the cars returning from Havelock

or persons who had but recently returned from there. Further, we now arrest for drunkenness upon sight, whereas formerly only the most extreme and obnoxious cases were taken to the station. Now we take every person who shows signs of intoxication; formerly only those who could not walk or else showed a disposition to fight or to boisterous conduct were taken. I do not believe there are 10 per cent of the arrests for drunkenness now as compared with former years, if we take into account the arrests which should properly be credited to this city, or in other words, arrests where the drunkenness originated here.

**NO LAW ABSOLUTELY ENFORCED.**  
Now it is undoubtedly true that there is some liquor sold here in this city. We make no claim to absolute enforcement of the prohibitory law. What law is absolutely enforced? But I want to make this assertion here before you today: the prohibitory law has been enforced better here in the past six months than the license law was ever enforced.

I know that the enemies of prohibition always proclaim that prohibition cannot be enforced, and therefore it is a school of lawlessness—that it begets disregard for law. This argument is based upon the assumption that the license law is enforced, and that a city where saloons are licensed liquor is not sold in any unlicensed or unauthorized places. The license law is never strictly enforced. And I want you to remember this: when we had 25 to 40 licensed saloons here in Lincoln there was more liquor sold in drug stores, dives, rooming houses and other unauthorized places than there is now. It is not an exaggeration to say that there is not one-tenth as much liquor consumed in Lincoln this year in a given time as there was in any previous year in an equal period, even when we take into account the liquor brought from Havelock. And this assertion is based upon the report of officers who have served the city for many years and know the condition in the past and know it now. There is liquor sold illicitly now, but remember when we had 40 saloons there was more liquor sold illicitly than now when we have no saloons.

For illustration: For years we closed the saloon at 11:30 p. m. Then we made a 7 o'clock closing rule, and, strange as it may seem, it was easier to enforce the 7 o'clock closing rule than the 11:30 rule. There was less liquor sold after 7 o'clock than was sold

after 11:40 under the old rule. And now, as might be expected from that experience, we find it is even less troublesome to enforce the perpetual closing rule than it was to enforce the 7 o'clock rule; so our experience shows that, instead of prohibition being a school of disregard for law, we find just the opposite to be true.

Bank clearings have increased about 14 per cent in the last six months. Postal receipts have increased during that period about \$10,000 over the same months last year. Bank deposits have increased about \$700,000. One of the best barometers of business prosperity is the building record. During the last six months, or since May first, building permits have been issued amounting to about \$1,000,000. During the same period last year the building permits amounted to a little less than \$700,000 making an increase of over 41 per cent. The new business buildings constructed or started in the last six months, if placed side by side on one street, would measure about six blocks in length, or nearly half a mile of solid front of business blocks.

**NO SLUMP IN BUSINESS.**  
It was to be expected that when twenty-seven saloons were vacated at one time, there would be for a time at least, some vacant rooms, and that rents would show a tendency to decrease, but on the contrary, all these buildings have been filled with new business at good rents, and there has been no decrease in rents in this city on store room, in spite of the fact that nearly half a mile of new business blocks have been constructed or are under construction. Furthermore many of the old saloon buildings that, while they were used for saloons, were merely shacks, have been rebuilt. New fronts have been put upon them, until in some localities the appearance of the business streets has been transformed. All of this shows an abounding business prosperity which is in direct opposition to the predictions so freely made during the campaign last spring.

**Box Butte County Census Enumerators**

Through the kindness of Hon. Jos. Pigman of Broken Bow, supervisor of census for the district of northwestern Nebraska, we are able to give the Herald readers the names of the census enumerators who have been appointed for Box Butte county: City of Alliance, 1st ward, Annie L. Kennedy. City of Alliance, 2nd ward, Aaron Pool.

Box Butte and Nonpareil precincts, John Pilkington. Boyd and Lake precincts, Asbury Whitaker. Dorsey and Running Water precincts, including the village of Hemingford, Charles E. Ball. Lawn precinct, Mrs. Blanche E. Ford. Liberty and Snake Creek precincts, Cecil L. Johnson. Wright precinct, vacant.

It is a matter of some importance to this county, and also to the city of Alliance and the village of Hemingford, that the work of the census enumerators be done accurately and thoroughly and we think the list of enumerators as above named is assurance that it will be done, although there is still one precinct without an enumerator.

"Truth crushed to earth shall rise again;  
The eternal years of God are hers;  
While error, wounded, writhes in pain,  
And dies amidst it worshippers."

**Crawford Papers Differ**

We wish to commend the editor of the Crawford Tribune for the honorable stand he is taking in the matter of cleaning up that town. The respectable people of the place ought to appreciate his efforts and govern themselves accordingly in the matter of moral and financial support.

His competitor, the Crawford Courier, as usual takes the other side and flies to the defense of the harlots and other law breakers; and, in bold faced type, calls the brave men who have undertaken to clean up the town a "Clique of Fanatics."

It may be a matter of information to the editor of the Courier that there may be fanatics on both sides of the temperance and similar questions. Admitting that there are temperance fanatics, we must say that not one of them could be more fanatical than the editor of the paper who permits himself to become a veritable lickspittle in fawning at the feet of the element that has disgraced that beautiful town of Crawford for so many years past.

**RAILWAY NOTES AND PERSONALS.**

The following items were crowded out last week:

Con. Andrews is laying off. O'Connors has his run.

Con. Flacey of Sterling has been visiting in Denver.

Brakeman Showers has resigned and will try life on a farm.

Wm. Hamilton has returned to work after a thirty day lay off.

Engineer Milliken has returned from a business trip to Chicago.

Mrs. Bennett, wife of operator Bennett, is visiting in Lincoln.

Tom Burchell is relieving fireman, Pomeroy, on No. 39 and 40.

Con. Cantlin is off sick. C. D. Rider has his place on the west end.

B. Trenkle who has been on the east end is now working out of here.

Brakemen Hoffman and Tragger have moved to the Newberry block.

Mr. Morton of the repair department had business in Edgemont Friday.

Ed Flaker has returned from a long hunting trip and has reported for work.

Mrs. M. E. Johnson left on Tuesday for a visit at Omaha and Grand Island.

Owing to slack business there will be no more double trains on the west end.

Five of the big Mallet Compounds have gone through here for the Sheridan division.

Word comes from E. E. Terry of the N. P. that he is laid up with a severely sprained ankle.

Dick Burke left Thursday morning to spend Easter with relatives and friends in Lincoln.

Eng. Hicks is again on the road. He will move his family here as soon as his house is vacated.

Mail clerk Snider who had a run between Denver and Alliance has traded for a run in the eastern part of the state.

The heavy westbound passenger travel is noticeable. No. 304 came in Tuesday morning with all the seats full and a large number standing.

Supt. Peckanpaugh and Trainmaster Hichox of the south line spent a day this week supervising the placing of the steam shovel for construction work near Marlow.

The assistant agent at Dalton has carefully studied up on the time card and is now planning a trip to Denver to help her mother with the spring house cleaning.

Supt. Peckanpaugh and wife went to Denver Saturday. They had as their guests the proprietor of the Pacific Hotel and family. The party returned to Sterling Monday.

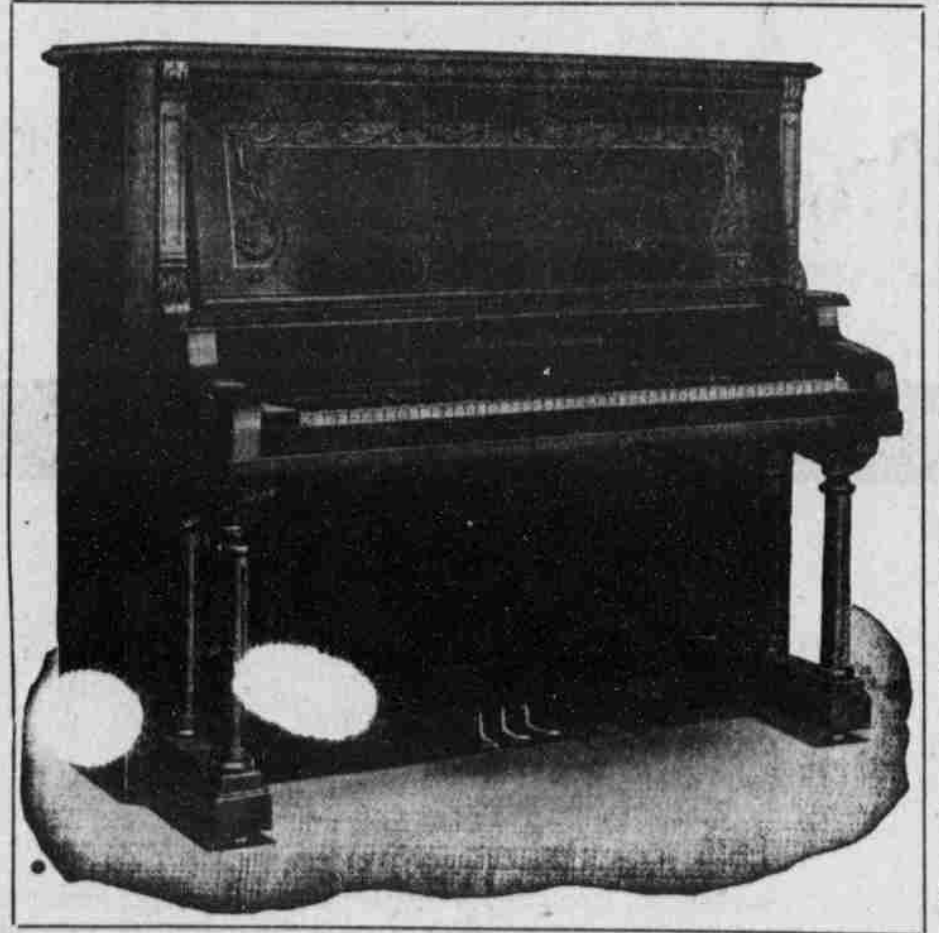
**Magnificent BENNETT Piano GIVEN AWAY!**

IN MAHOGANY, WALNUT OR OAK CASE

To the lady receiving the largest number of votes from subscribers to The Alliance Herald

The regular selling price of this piano is Three Hundred Dollars. It is a better instrument than many pianos that sell for \$325 to \$400. These pianos are carried in stock by the Bennett Piano Company at their Alliance store, where they may be inspected by interested persons.

The Alliance Herald has purchased one of these magnificent pianos to be given as a present to the lady who receives the largest number of votes during the next few weeks from subscribers to the paper.



**Our Plan**

Commencing Friday, January 21, 1910, every person paying on subscription to The Alliance Herald during the time of this contest will be entitled to vote for the contestant of his or her choice, at the rate of one hundred votes for every dollar paid on subscription, whether arrearage or on advance subscription. The lady having the largest number of votes at the close of the contest, or election, will receive the \$300 Bennett Piano, in either Mahogany, Walnut or Oak case as she may prefer, delivered absolutely free to her residence in Box Butte county, or if she does not reside in Box Butte county, it will be delivered at the freight depot in Alliance, properly crated or boxed for shipment.

**Nominations**

Any reader of The Herald may nominate a lady acquaintance as a contestant. There is no limit to the number of nominations that may be made, but the right is reserved to drop the name of any one nominated if she receives no additional votes within a reasonable length of time after her nomination.

**5,000 Free Votes**

At the time of her nomination, every contestant will receive 5,000 votes free, in addition to what may be given her on subscription paid. If any lady shall be nominated by more than one person, she will receive the 5,000 free votes only on the first nomination.

**Grand List of Additional Presents**

In addition to the Magnificent Bennett Piano, we are preparing a large list of additional presents, to be given to ladies who are contestants but fail to receive the piano. A list of these presents will be published soon.

**Now is the Time to Nominate and Vote**

We expect this contest to continue only a few weeks. Subscribers, and persons wishing to become subscribers, who wish to make nominations or vote for persons nominated by some one else, should act promptly. We reserve the right to close nominations at any time after Thursday, January 27th.

**Greatest Offer Ever Made in Western Nebraska**

We believe this is the greatest offer ever made by any newspaper in Western Nebraska.

**Number of Votes will be Published**

Each week we will publish the number of votes received by all contestants up to the evening preceding publication day.

**Herald Employees Barred**

No member of the family of any person employed in The Herald office will be permitted to be a candidate for the Bennett Piano which we are soon to give away to the lady receiving the largest number of votes from subscribers.