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A JOYOUS CROWD CHEERS ITS CANDIDATE in this photograph by an unknown cameraman, Springfield, August 8, 1860. After a huge Republican rally in the morning, enthusiastic Lincoln supporters, many of them close friends and neighbors of the nominee, gathered at midday in front of his home. They carried banners bearing the slogan "Won't you let me in, Kansas."

Diller was there and later wrote: "I witnessed this parade from a point opposite the Lincoln home, August 8, 1860, and all day wore a blue ribbon with a picture of Abraham Lincoln pasted on it."