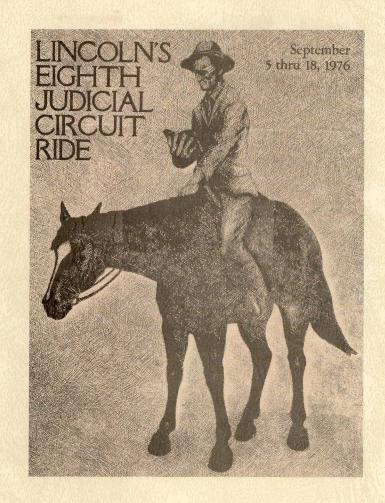
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## LINCOLN'S EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT RIDE

In the mid-1800's the state was divided into multicounty units each with a judge who traveled from county to county within his jurisdiction. Following the same route were lawyers who served a thinly scattered population and rode the circuit in order to make a living. Except for two years in Congress, Lincoln devoted at least half of each year to the circuit until he became President. September 5th Springfield

6th Tremont

7th Metamora

8th Bloomington

9th Mt. Pulaski

10th Clinton

11th Monticello

12th Urbana

13th Danville

14th Paris

15th Shelbyville

16th Sullivan

17th Decatur

18th Taylorville