

## LINCOLN LAND

Abraham Lincoln, 16th President of the United States, was a native son of the American frontier. He was born in the Midwestern wilderness and his character was formed in its pioneer settlements. Today, the Midwest is a prosperous agricultural and industrial region. Only a few traces of the virgin forest remain. The prairies now are corn and wheat fields and log cabin villages have given way to modern cities and towns. However, in memory of Lincoln, the places in which he lived have been restored as he knew them. Today's traveller, visiting Lincoln landmarks in the States of Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois, can imagine the frontier of the early Nineteenth Century and understand how it helped to shape Abraham Lincoln's ideals.

9-14 Lincoln's home in Springfield, Illinois, had only one story when he bought it in 1836. He added a second to make more room for his growing family of boys. The Lincolns lived here until he became President in 1861. (58-8151)

