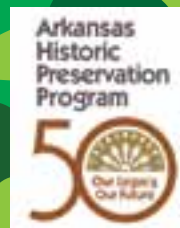


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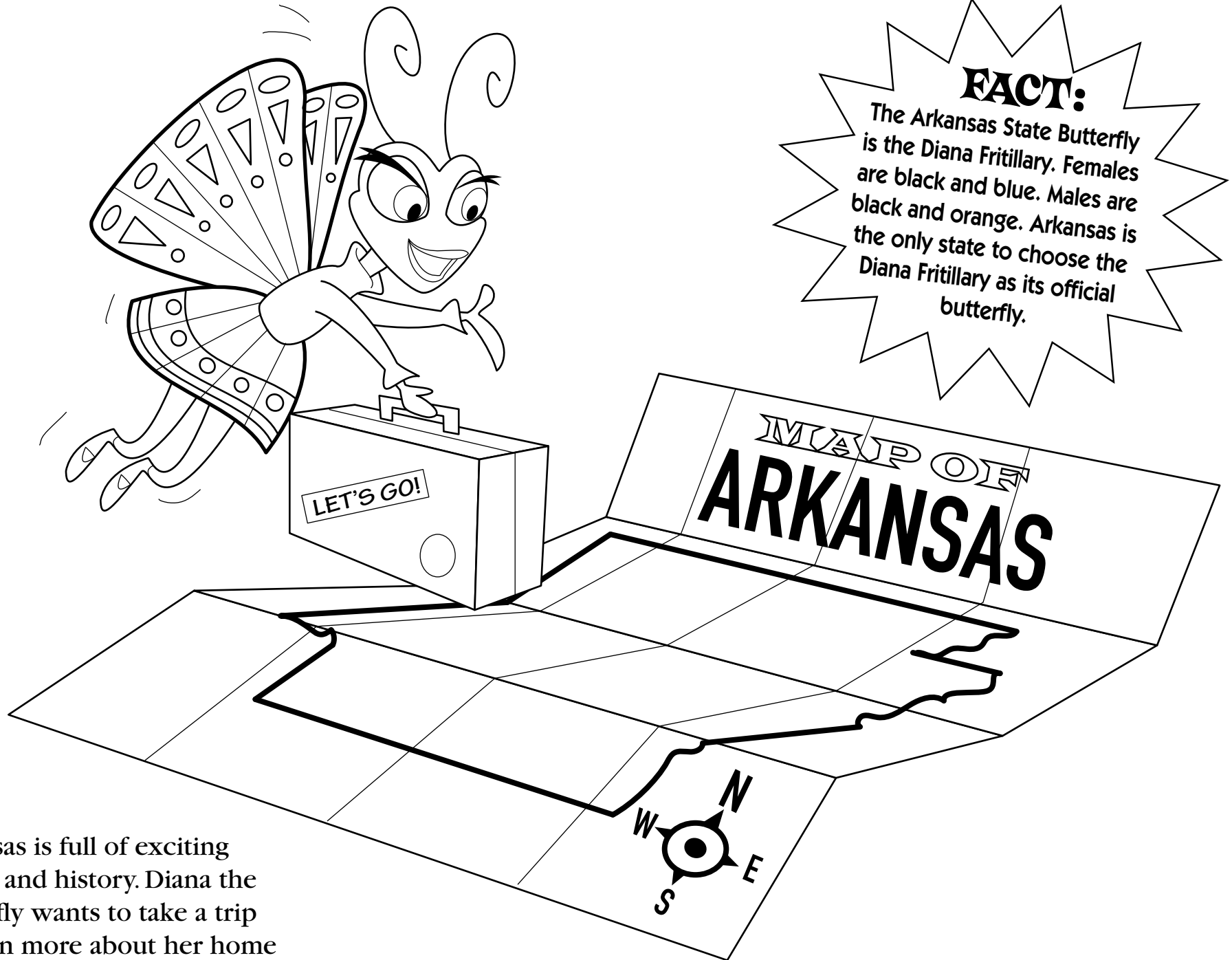
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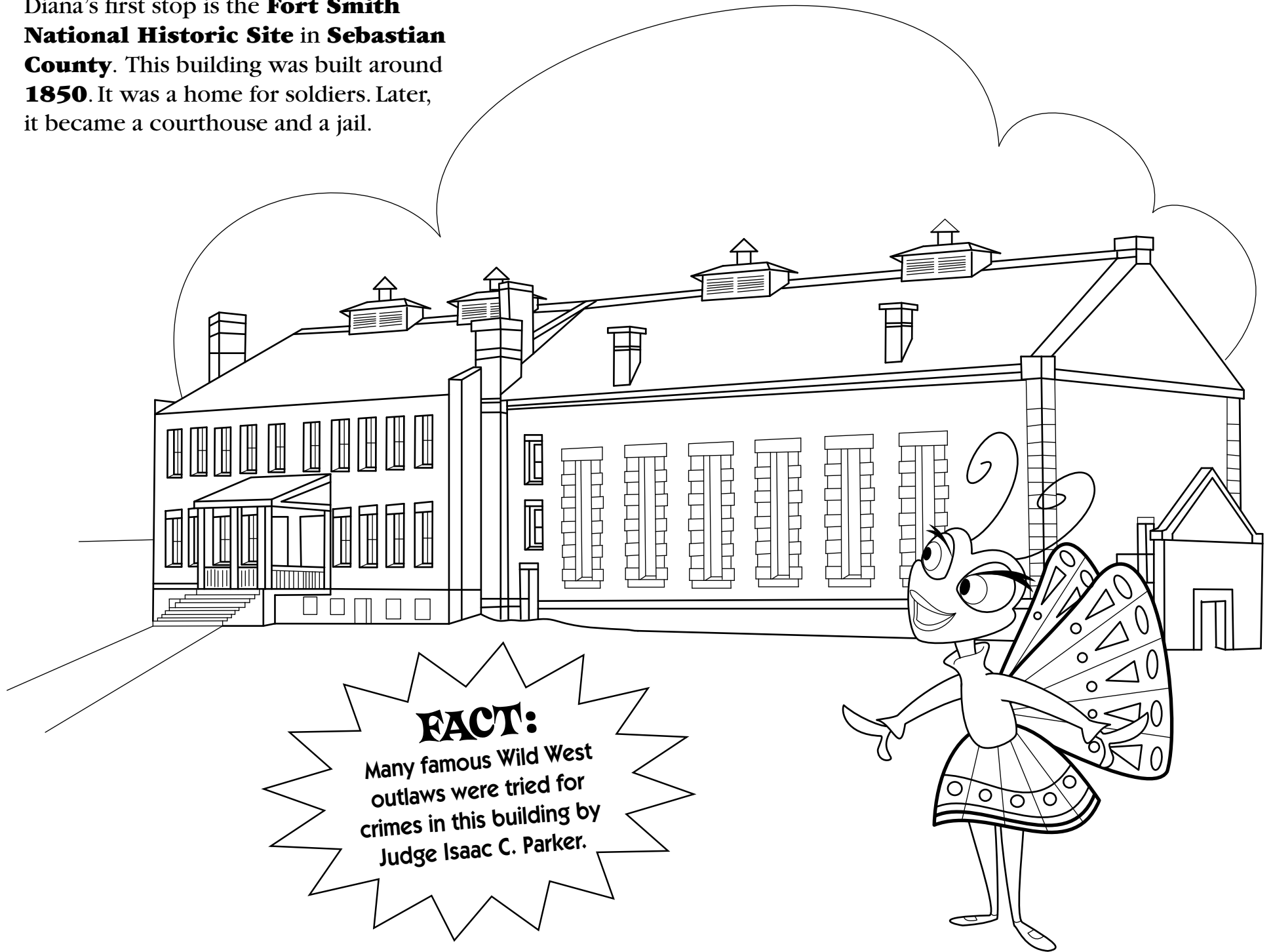


**FACT:**

The Arkansas State Butterfly is the Diana Fritillary. Females are black and blue. Males are black and orange. Arkansas is the only state to choose the Diana Fritillary as its official butterfly.

Arkansas is full of exciting places and history. Diana the butterfly wants to take a trip to learn more about her home state. Let's follow her journey!

Diana's first stop is the **Fort Smith National Historic Site** in **Sebastian County**. This building was built around **1850**. It was a home for soldiers. Later, it became a courthouse and a jail.



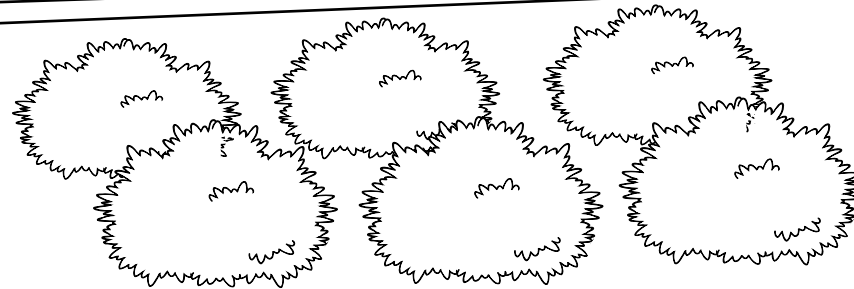
**FACT:**  
Many famous Wild West  
outlaws were tried for  
crimes in this building by  
Judge Isaac C. Parker.



Diana's second stop is the **Gann Building** in **Saline County**. It was built in **1893**. It is the only building in the world made out of bauxite. Bauxite is the state rock of Arkansas.

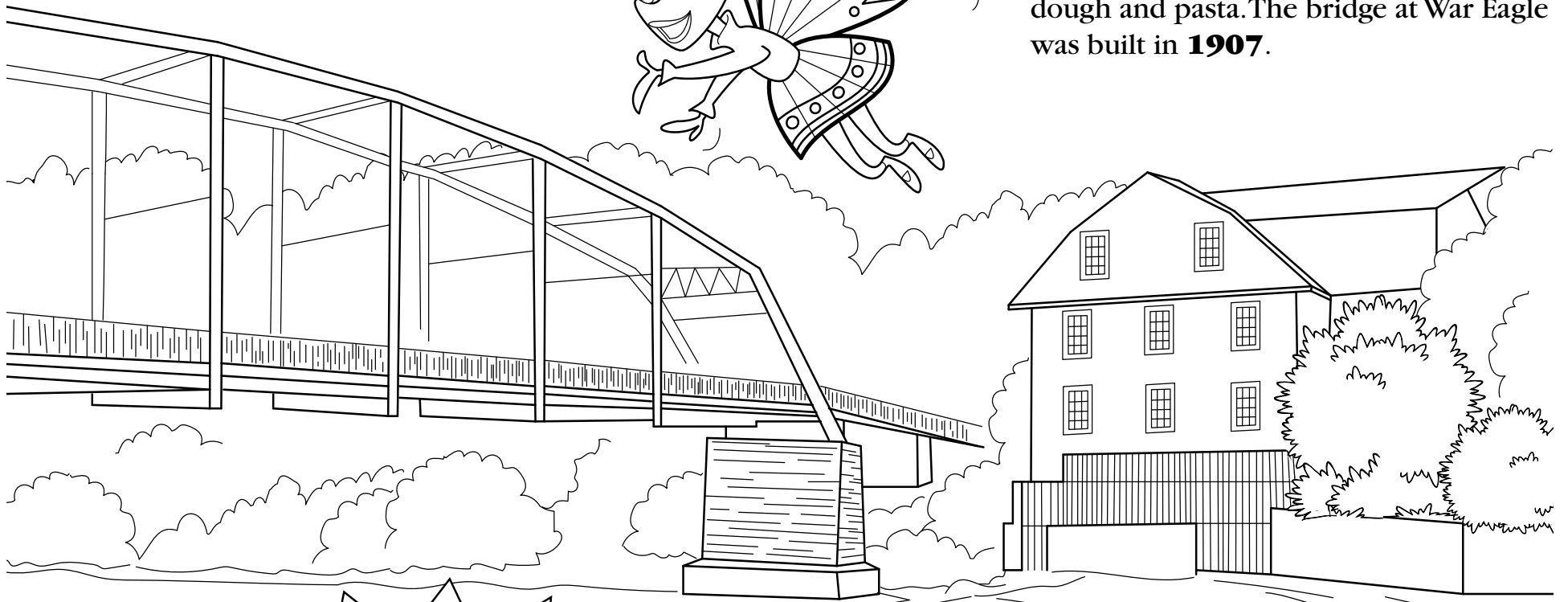
**FACT:**

Bauxite is used to make aluminum, the same stuff you use at home as foil.





Diana's third stop is the **War Eagle Bridge and Mill in Benton County**. The mill grinds wheat and corn into flour. Bakers use flour to make bread, dough and pasta. The bridge at War Eagle was built in **1907**.

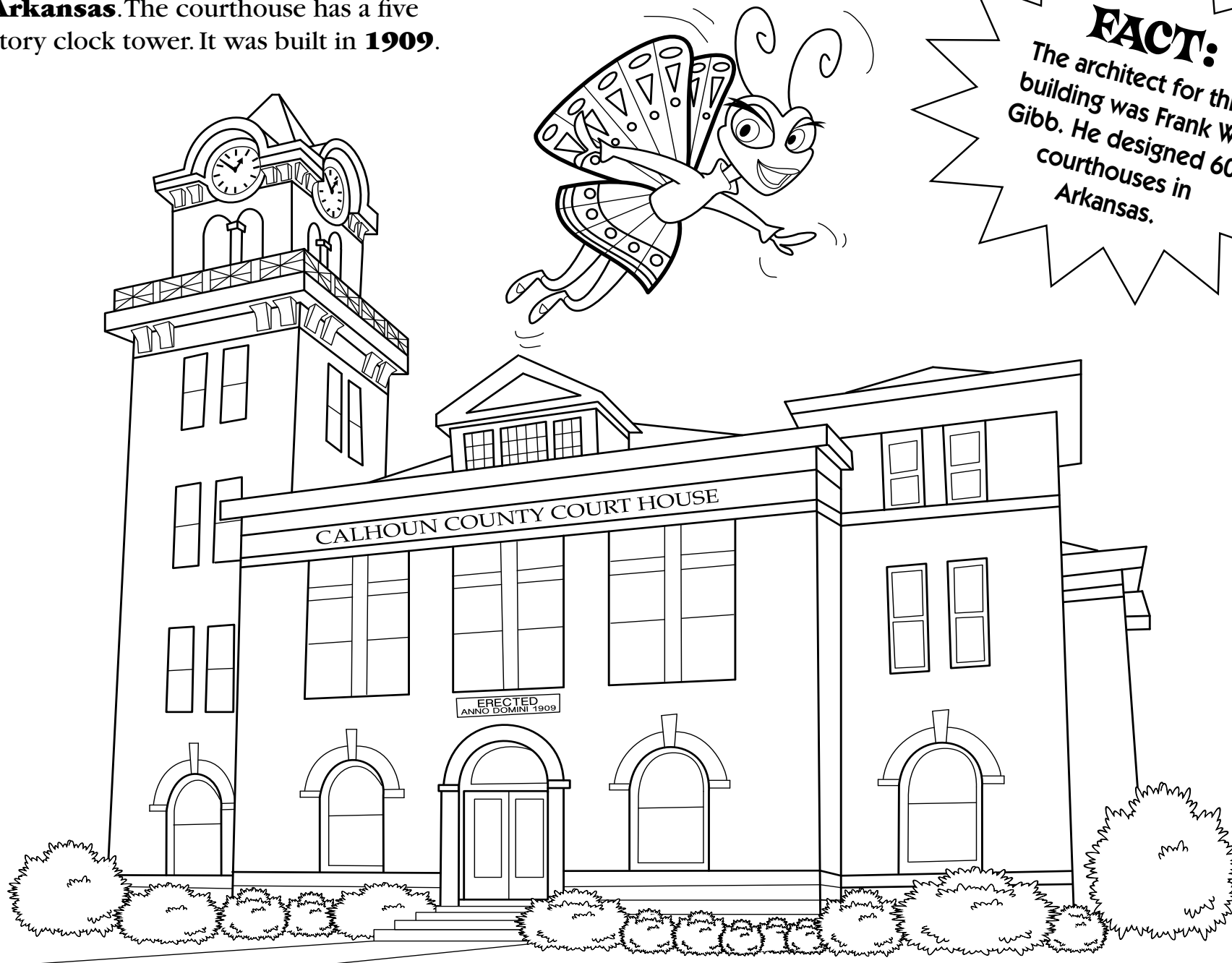


**FACT:**

There have been four mills here since 1832. They were destroyed by flood and fire. The mill here today was built in the 1970s.

Diana's fourth stop is the **Calhoun County Courthouse** in **Hampton, Arkansas**. The courthouse has a five story clock tower. It was built in **1909**.

**FACT:**  
The architect for this building was Frank W. Gibb. He designed 60 courthouses in Arkansas.



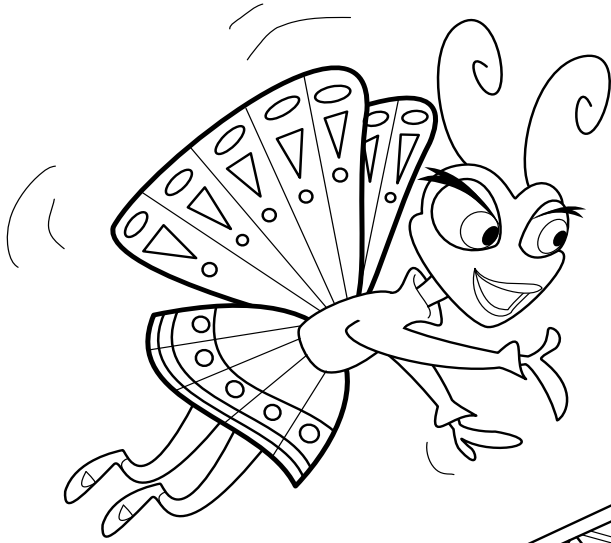
**FACT:**

The Hemingway-Pfeiffer House is a museum in Piggott, Arkansas.

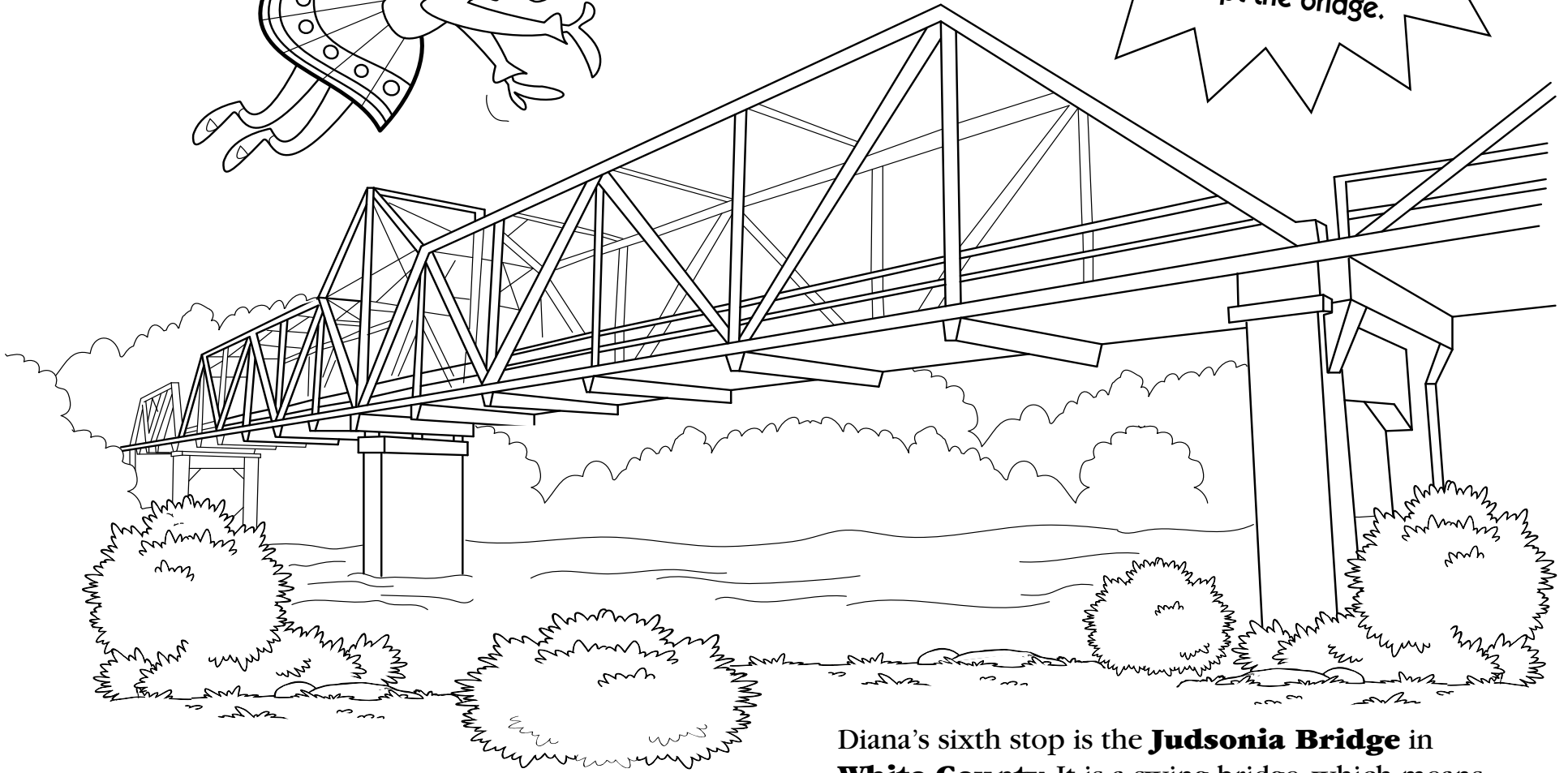


Diana's fifth stop is the **Hemingway-Pfeiffer House** in **Clay County**. A man named Ernest Hemingway wrote a famous book here. It was titled *A Farewell to Arms*. The house was built in **1910**. It was owned by Mr. Hemingway's father-in-law.





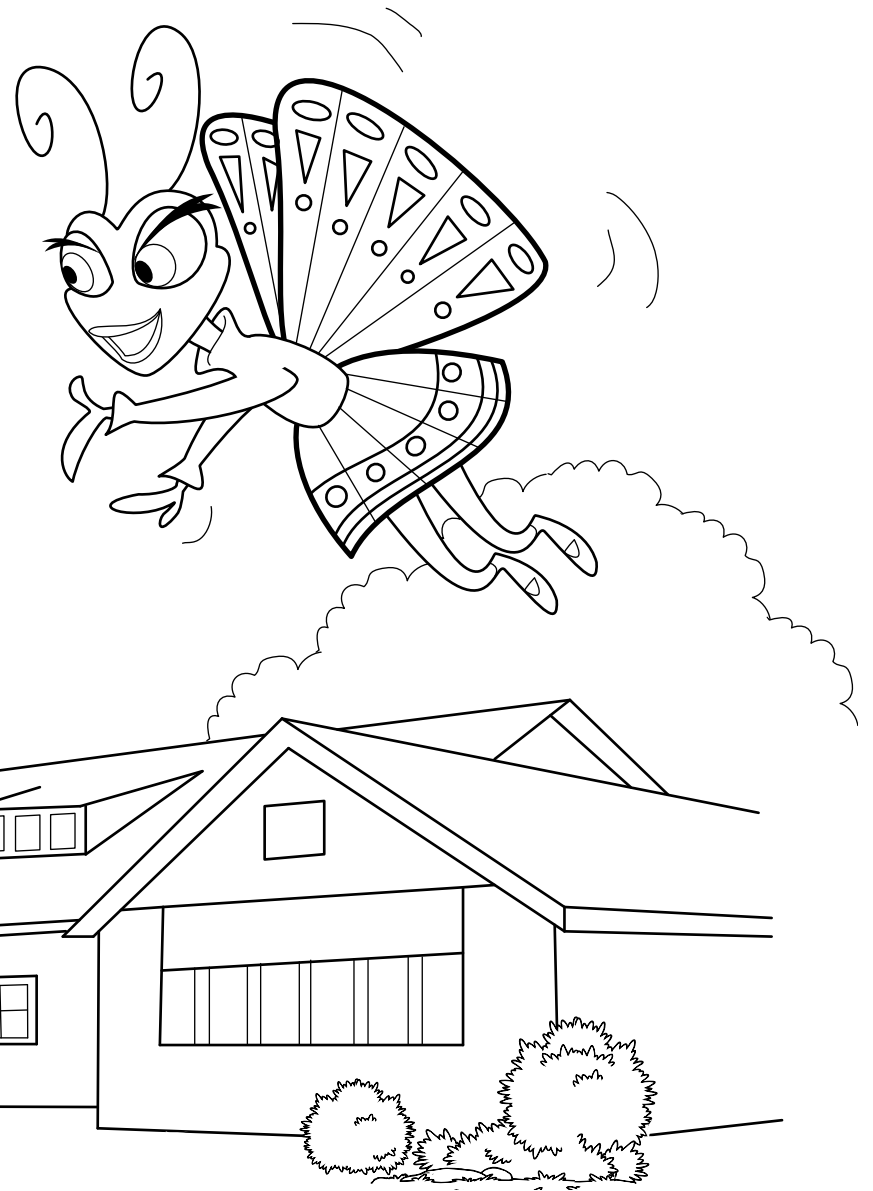
**FACT:**  
This bridge survived the flood of 1927 and the 1952 tornado, which knocked down almost everything in Judsonia except the bridge.



Diana's sixth stop is the **Judsonia Bridge** in **White County**. It is a swing bridge, which means that it moves out of the way of boats coming up the river. It was built in **1924**.

**FACT:**

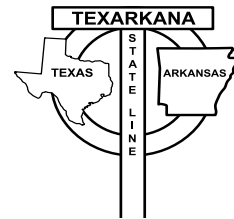
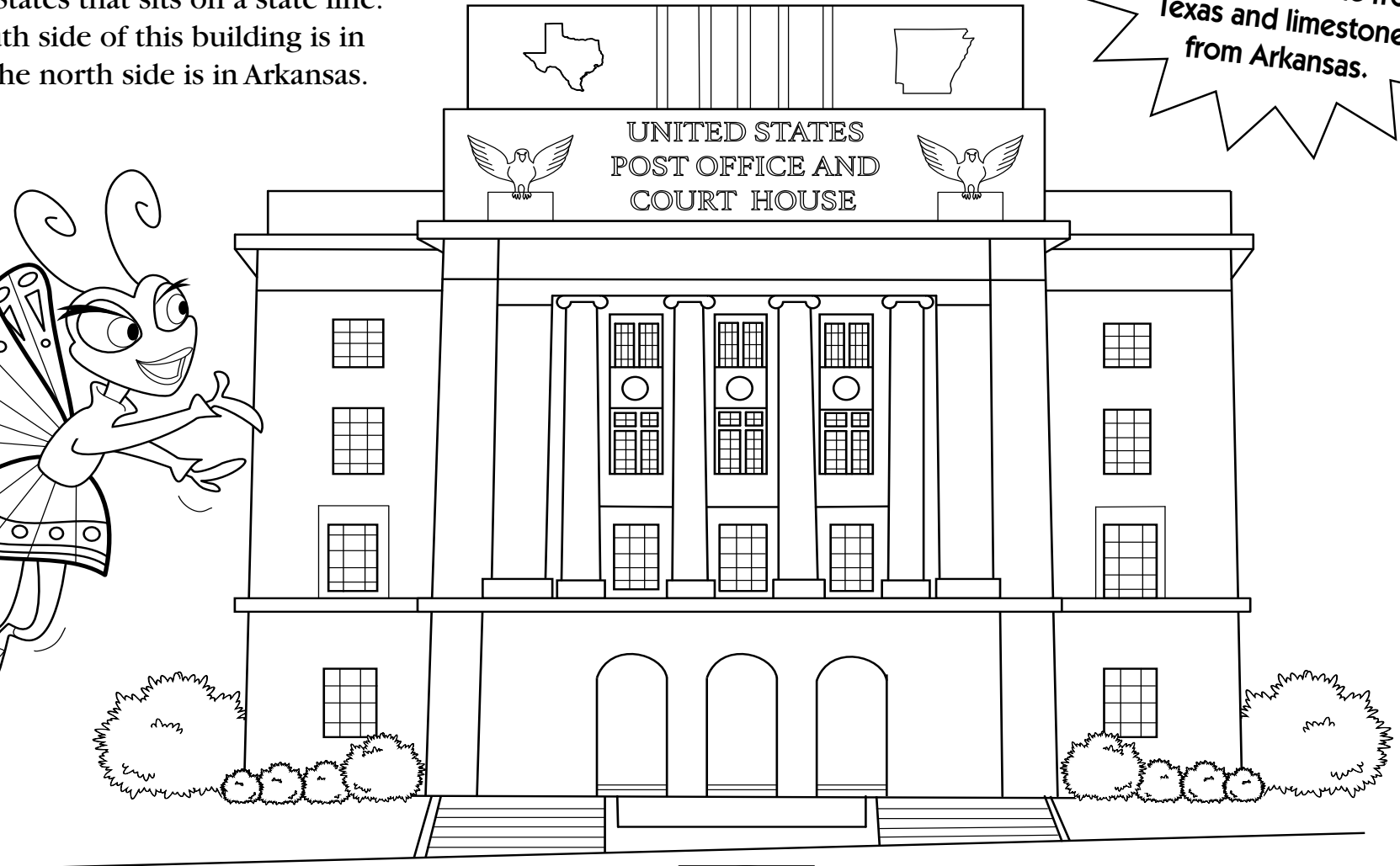
Rosenwald schools were built with money donated by Julius Rosenwald, the former president of Sears, Roebuck and Company.



Diana's seventh stop is the **Chicot County Training School**. This school was built in **1929**. It is a Rosenwald School. These schools were built for African American communities during segregation, when white and African American students went to different schools.

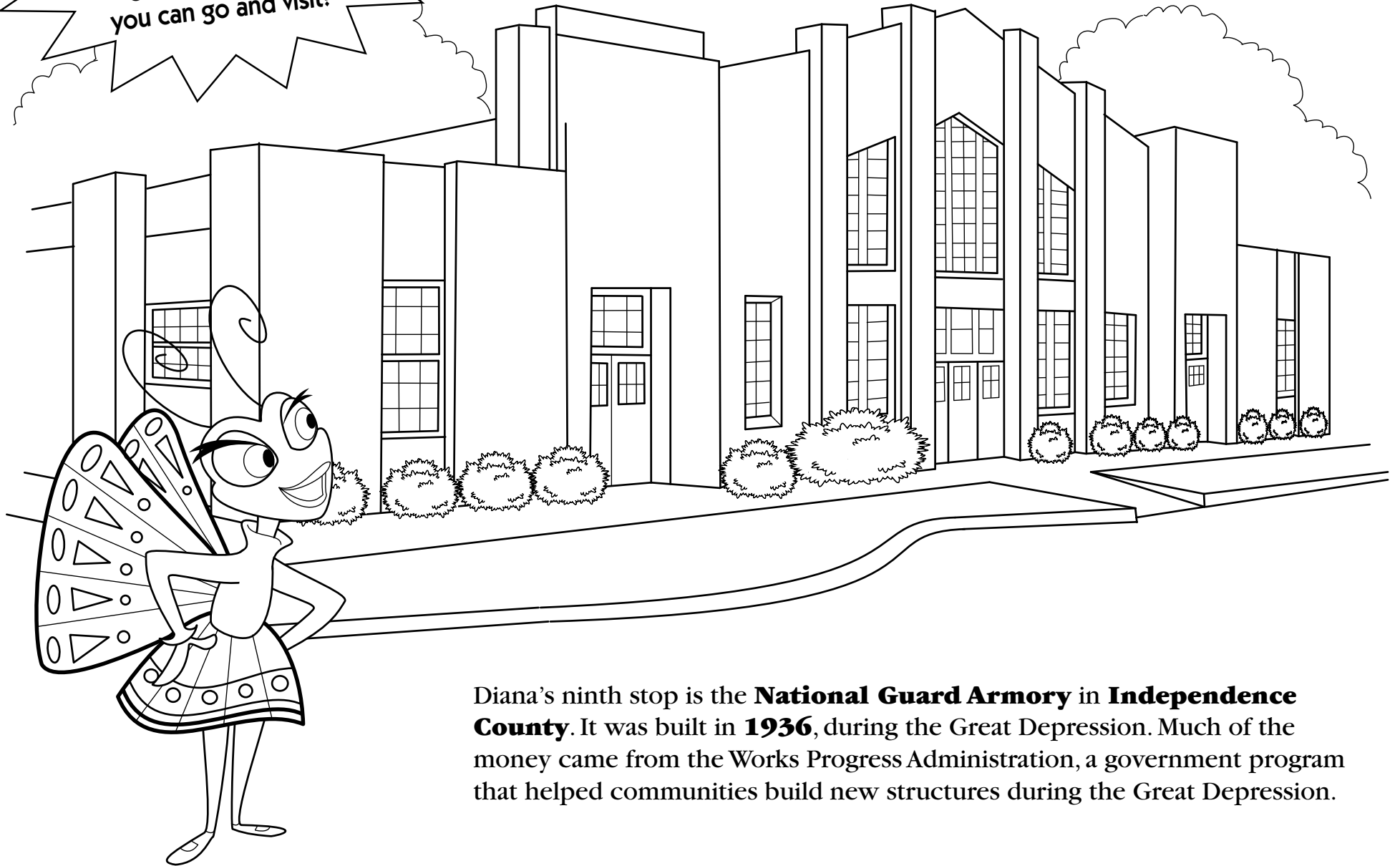
Diana's eighth stop is the **U.S. Post Office and Courthouse** in **Miller County**. It was built in **1933**. It is the only post office and courthouse in the United States that sits on a state line. The south side of this building is in Texas. The north side is in Arkansas.

**FACT:**  
This building was made with granite from Texas and limestone from Arkansas.

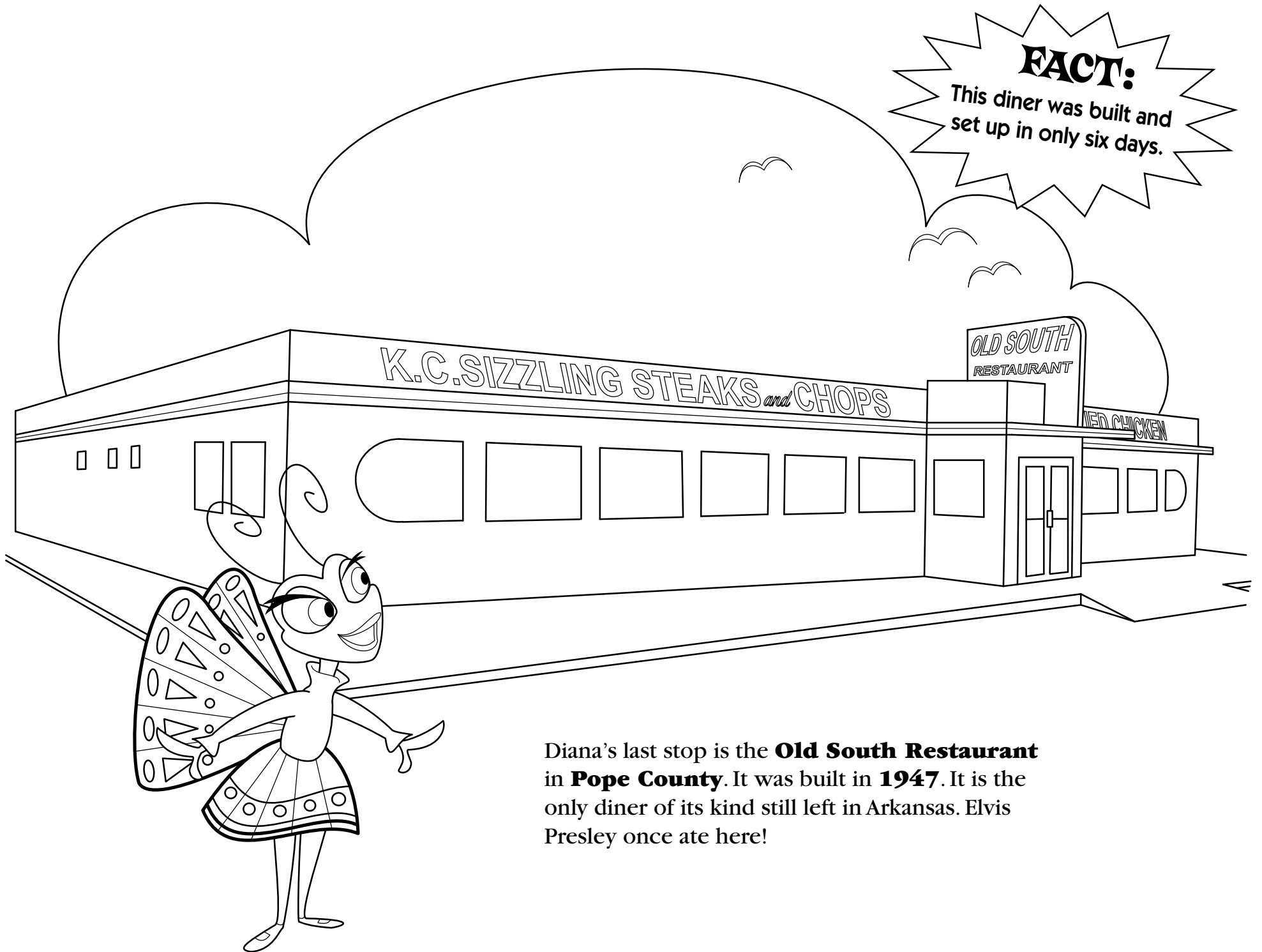


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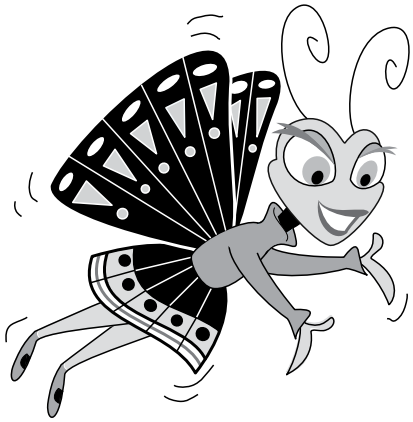
This building is now the  
Old Independence  
Regional Museum and  
you can go and visit!



Diana's ninth stop is the **National Guard Armory** in **Independence County**. It was built in **1936**, during the Great Depression. Much of the money came from the Works Progress Administration, a government program that helped communities build new structures during the Great Depression.

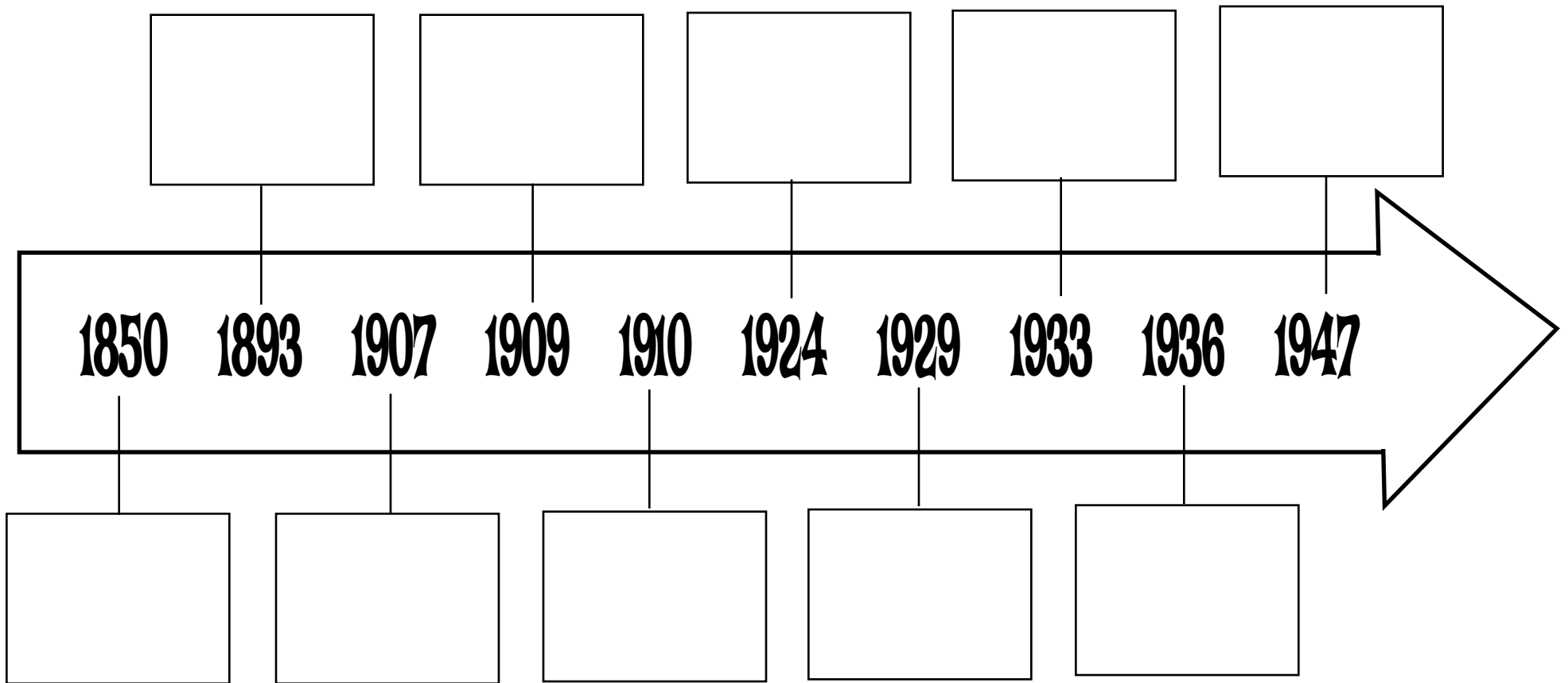


Diana's last stop is the **Old South Restaurant** in **Pope County**. It was built in **1947**. It is the only diner of its kind still left in Arkansas. Elvis Presley once ate here!



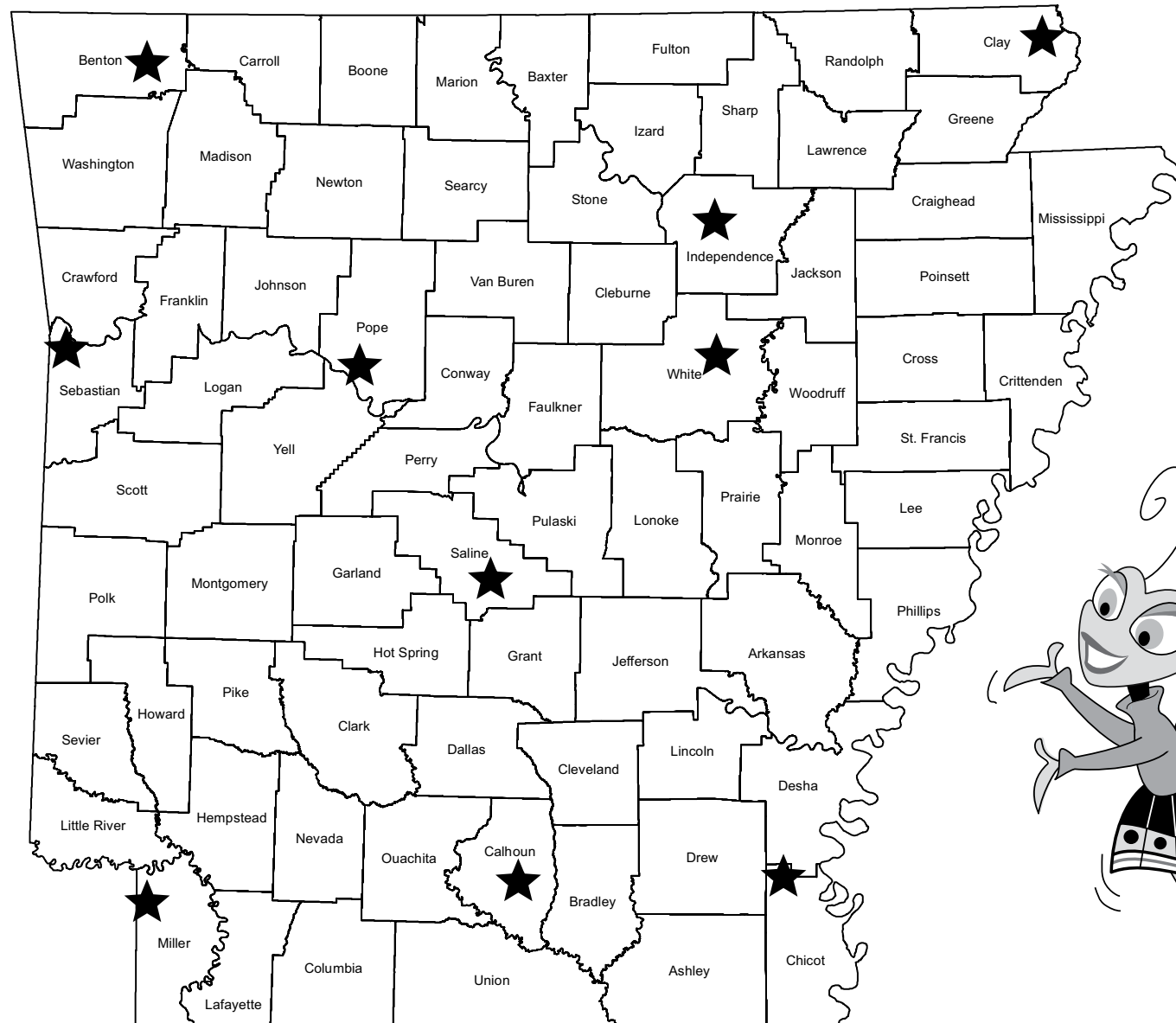
# What happened, when?

Use what you've learned following Diana's journey to make a timeline of when each building was constructed. Find the date by reading through the book, then write the name of the building in the box.



# Trace Diana's Journey across Authentic Arkansas

Number the places that Diana went on her journey in the order she visited them. Then, draw a line from each number to the next.



# Learn Your Facts!

Read the “Facts” on each page and answer the following questions.

Who tried Wild West outlaws for crimes at the Fort Smith National Historic Site?	
What stone found in Arkansas is used to make aluminum?	
How many mills have been at War Eagle since 1832?	
How many courthouses did Frank W. Gibb design in Arkansas?	
What is the Hemingway-Pfeiffer House used for today?	
What two disasters did the Judsonia bridge survive?	
Who donated money to help build the Chicot County Training School?	
Where does the granite come from that was used to build the U.S. Post Office and Courthouse in Miller County? Where does the limestone come from?	
What is the National Guard Armory in Independence County used for now?	
How many days did it take to build and set up the Old South Restaurant in Pope County?	



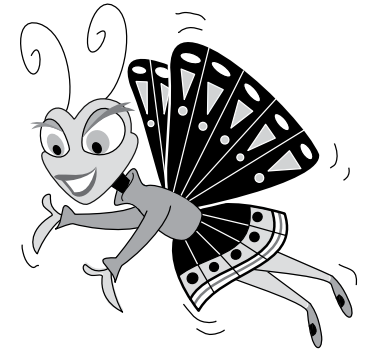


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