

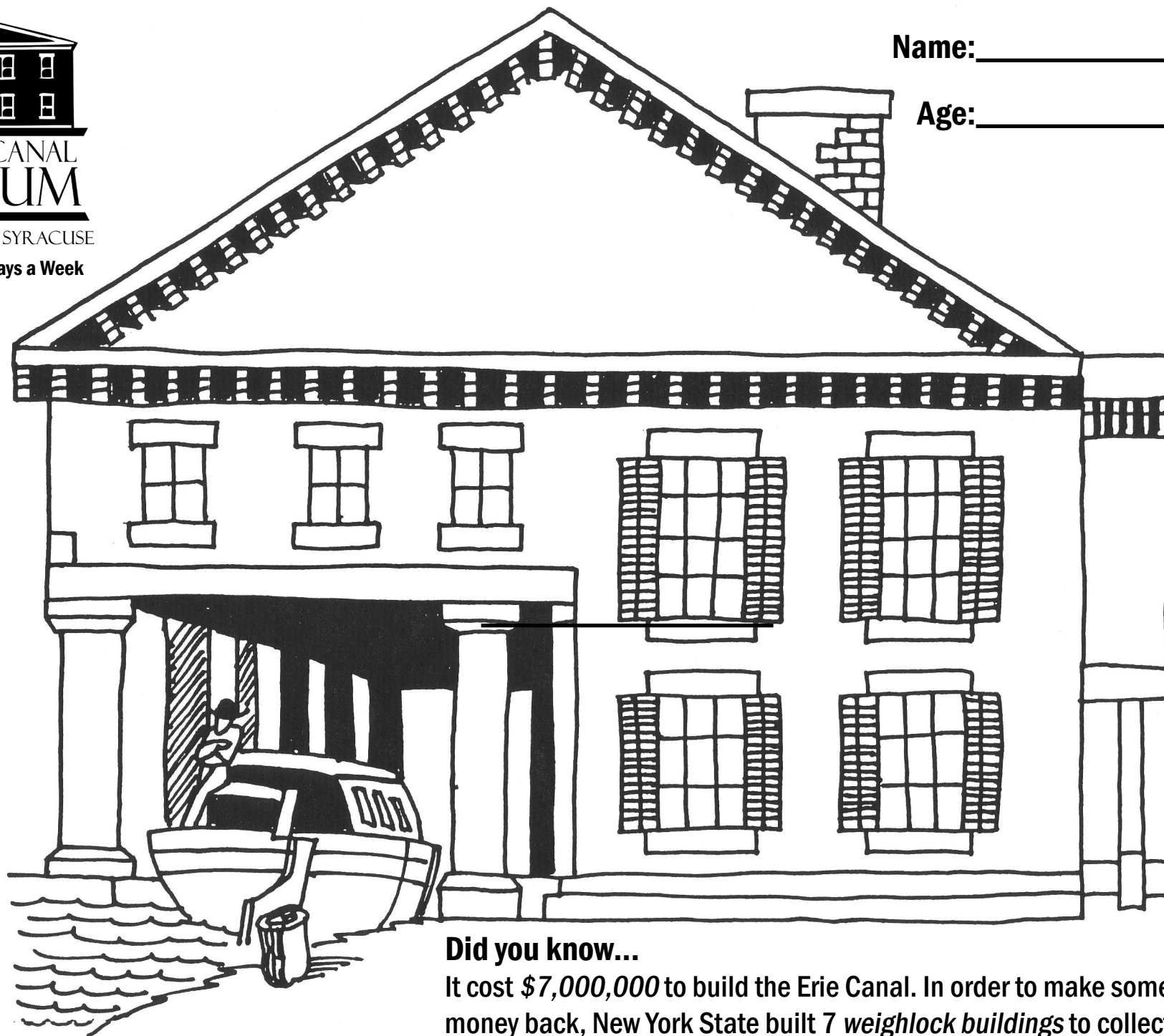


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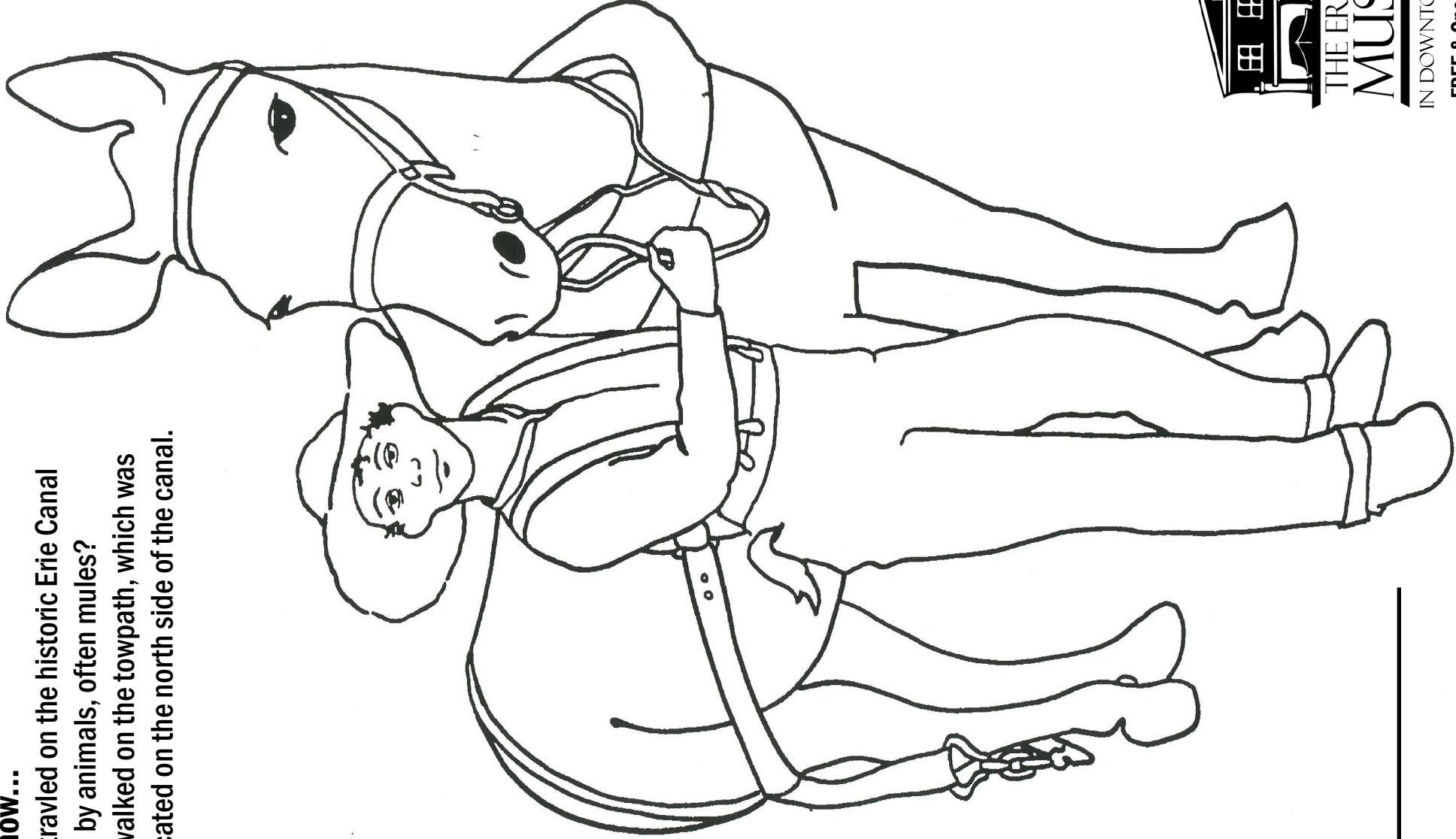


### Did you know...

It cost \$7,000,000 to build the Erie Canal. In order to make some of the money back, New York State built 7 *weighlock buildings* to collect tolls. The last remaining weighlock building now houses the *Erie Canal Museum* in downtown Syracuse.

**Did you know...**

Boats that traveled on the historic Erie Canal were pulled by animals, often mules. The mules walked on the towpath, which was typically located on the north side of the canal.



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THE ERIE CANAL  
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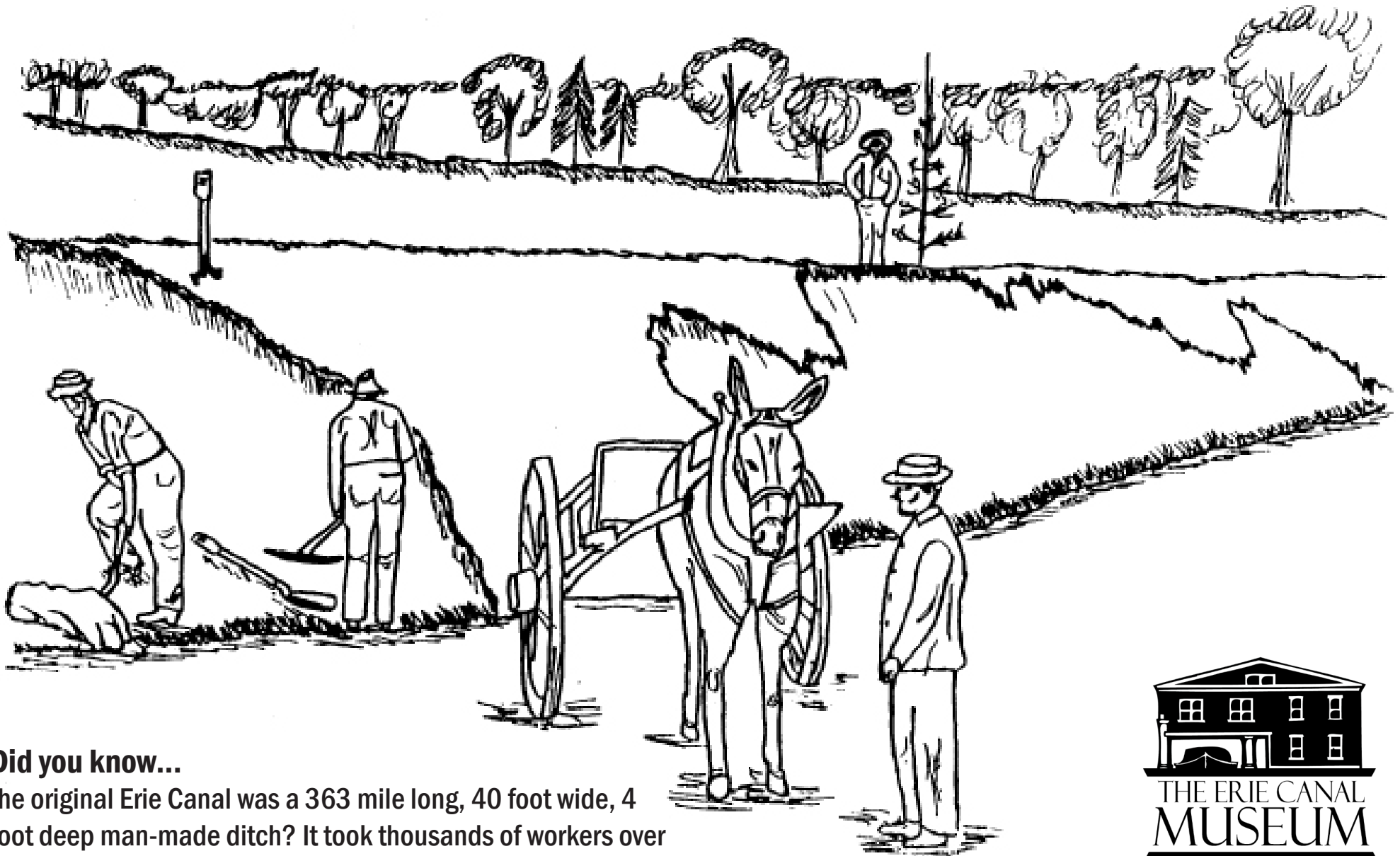


**Did you know...**

buildings called grain elevators were used to store grain that was transported in huge boats from the midwest and then to load the smaller canal boats? Buffalo had many grain elevators where Lake Erie met the Erie Canal.

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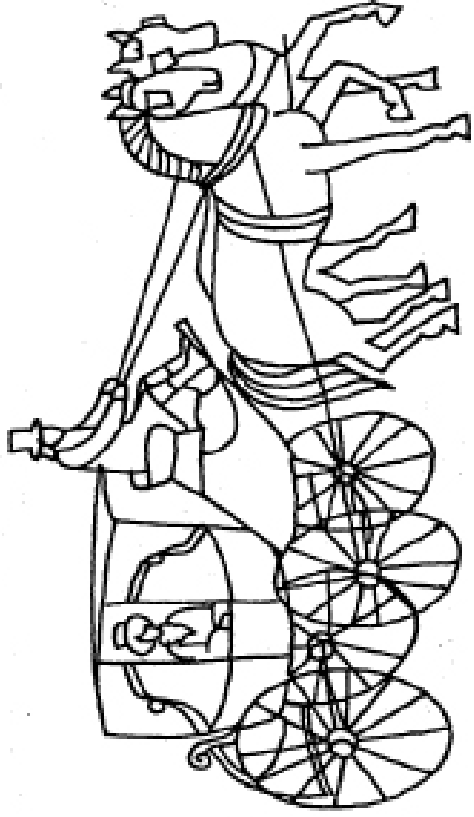


**Did you know...**

the original Erie Canal was a 363 mile long, 40 foot wide, 4 foot deep man-made ditch? It took thousands of workers over 8 years to dig it by hand. Construction began on the Fourth of July 1817 and wasn't completed until October 25, 1825.



# OTHER WAYS PEOPLE TRAVELED

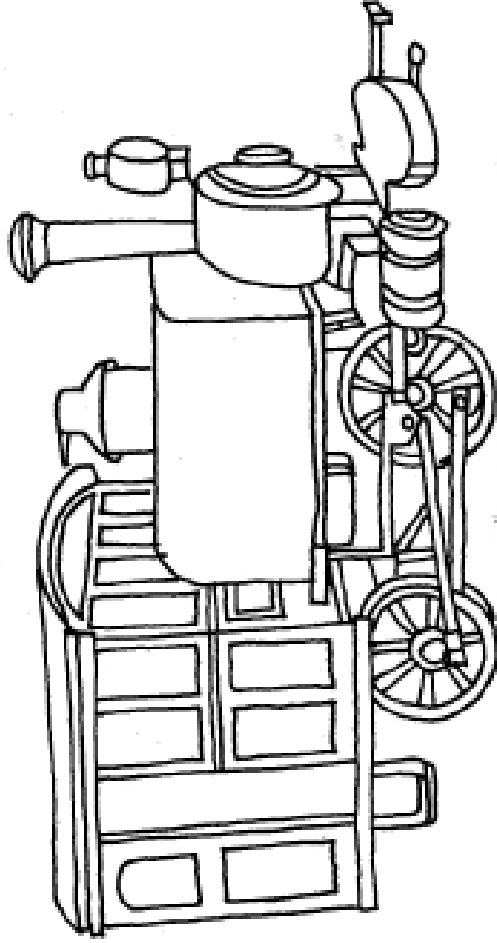
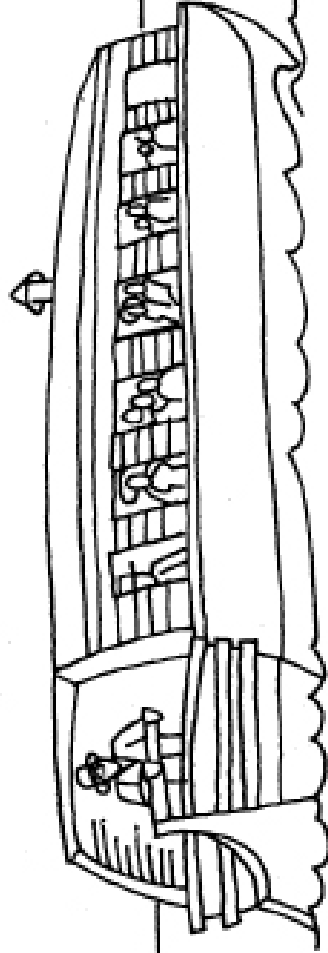


STAGECOACH

BUFFALO TO ALBANY  
(DEPENDING ON  
WEATHER)  
1 WEEK OR MORE

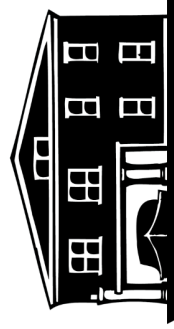
PACKET BOAT

BUFFALO TO ALBANY  
9 DAYS



TRAIN (STEAM)

SYRACUSE TO ALBANY  
150 MILES  
9 HOURS



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### Did you know...

the 1850 Syracuse Weighlock Building , now home to the Erie Canal Museum, was almost knocked down! It was saved by Syracuse residents and transformed into a museum dedicated to sharing the history and heritage of the Erie Canal. We've been open to the public since October 1962!



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