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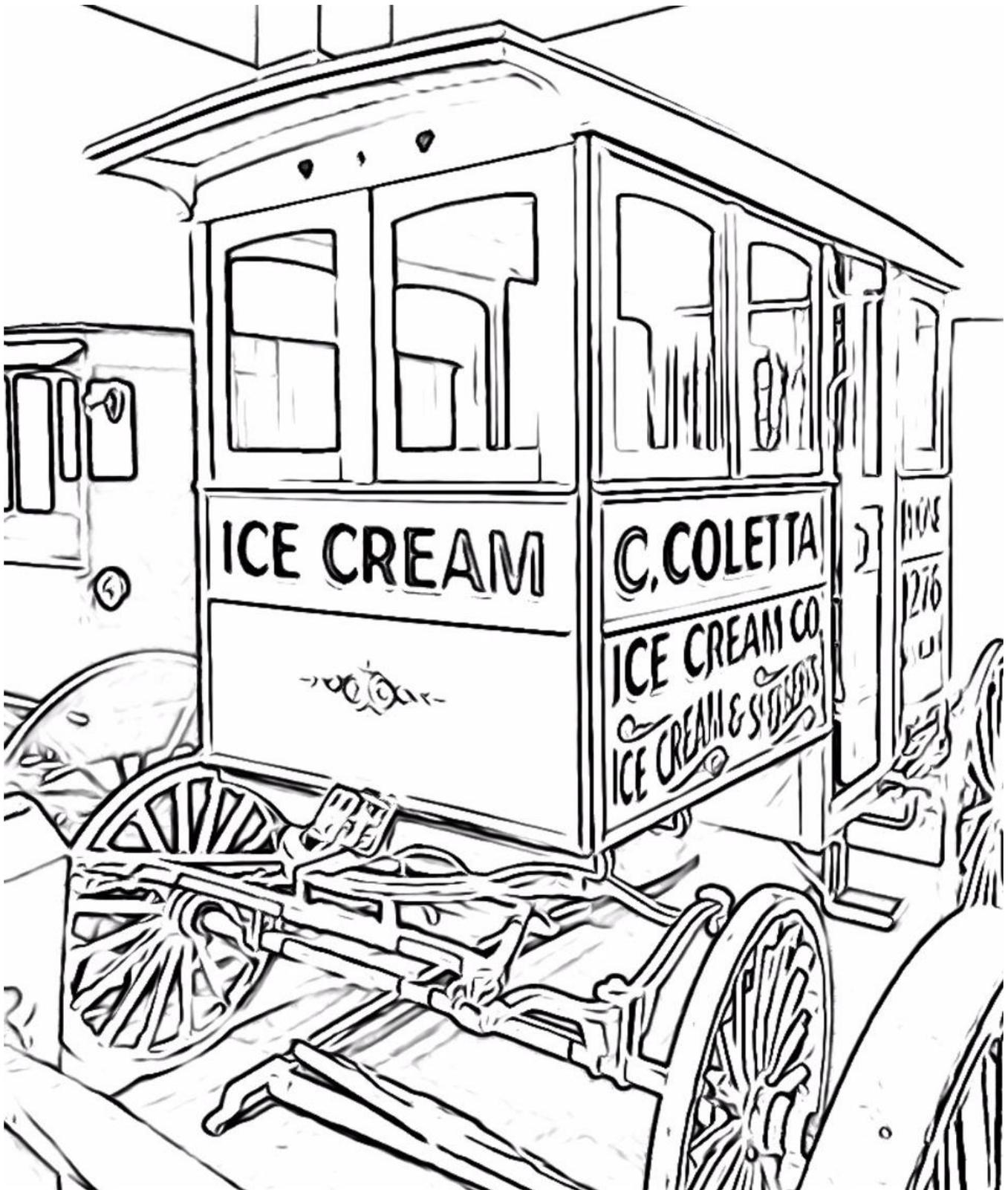
*Gaston County*  
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Hoffman Hotel-

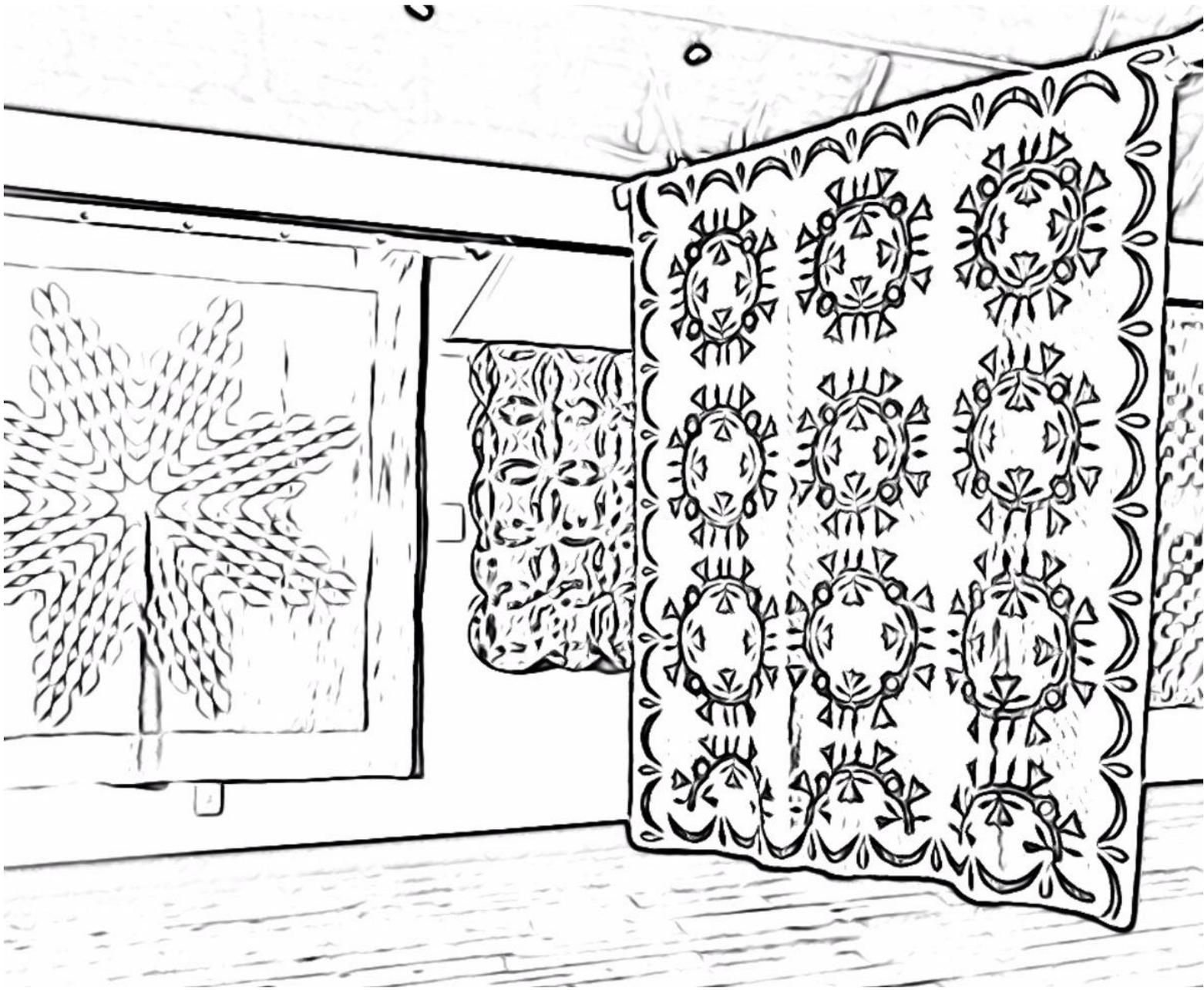
The Hoffman Hotel was built in 1952 to accommodate the new but thriving town of Dallas, North Carolina. With the county courthouse located right across the street, it was common for the jurors to stay at the Hotel. The Hoffman Hotel is now home to the Gaston County Museum of Art & History!

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Tony's Ice Cream Wagon-

This was the first horse-drawn vehicle used by Carmine Coletta for his ice cream business. Tony's Ice Cream has been around since 1915, and this cart was used during the 1920s to sell ice cream to the textile mill workers during their shift changes.



Quilt Show-

Patchwork quilting first began out of necessity; early settlers had to use whatever scraps of material they had on hand to create warm blankets. Quilting eventually morphed into a form of art, and the quilts shown here were all made in Gaston County. The two prominent patterns shown here are the “Presidential Wreath” and the “Star of Bethlehem”.



Flapper Dress (1920s), Wedding Dress (1908)- These dresses were worn by locals and were the height of fashion during their day!