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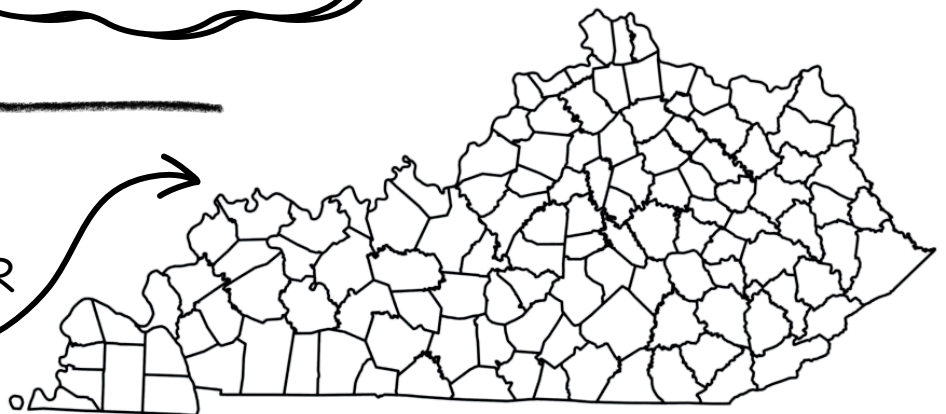
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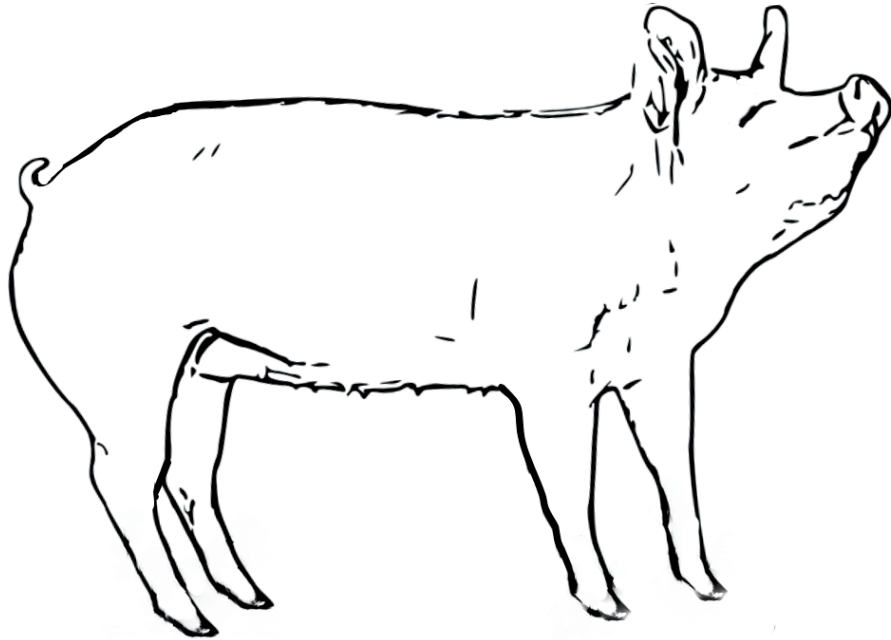
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SHELBY'S STORY



During the War of 1812, some Kentucky soldiers were marching to Canada when a pig started following them. They thought she was cute and fed her. She even swam across a river and joined them on a boat to Lake Erie. After they stopped at Bass Island, the pig refused to get back on the boat, so a kind man took care of her. When the soldiers returned, she was waiting for them to march home. Back in Kentucky, she lived with Governor Shelby, enjoying plenty of food and a warm place to sleep. That's how the pig became a special part of the soldiers' adventure!

According to "Kentucky in the War of 1812," edited by Anderson Chenault Quisenberry, "This curious story has been for by men whom we can not doubt; and it is published in General Robert B. McAfee's 'History of the Late War' as an incident that came under his personal observation."