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Bell Ford Bridge

SR 258 1.5 miles West junction SR 258 and
Community Drive
Seymour, IN

The Bell Ford Post Patented Diagonal "Combination Bridge," built in 1868, is a unique mix of wood and metal. It is this mix of materials that make the bridge nationally significant as the best representation of the American engineering "combination" bridge form. Bell Ford Bridge, located near Seymour, carried animal and vehicular traffic until 1970 and was used by pedestrians until 1999 when a wind storm damaged half of the span, sending it tumbling into the White River. Local officials have retrieved heavy timbers and metal fittings to reconstruct this span of the two-span bridge.



Cataract Covered Bridge

junction of CR 235W and CR1000N over Mill Creek in
Leiber State Recreation Area
Cataract, IN

Cataract Covered Bridge, a wood Smith Truss covered bridge, was built in 1876 by Robert W. Smith of the Smith Bridge Company. It is the only surviving covered bridge in Owen County and is considered to be the country's best and most intact remaining example of this truss type. The Cataract Covered Bridge was recently rehabilitated under the guidance of DNR Engineering.



Charles Sweeton House

8700 Old State Road
Evansville, IN

Charles Sweeton House in Evansville was originally built in 1888 as the Mount Pleasant School. Charles Sweeton purchased it in 1926 and made considerable changes to convert the two-room schoolhouse into the two-story Craftsman-style residence seen today. He was the manager, owner and promoter of several Evansville theaters and used this property as a second home outside of the bustle of town. He entertained here and owned the house until 1936.



Patoka Bridges Historic District

CR 300W at Patoka River South Fork, including
Bridges #246 and #81
Oakland City, IN

Patoka Bridges Historic District south of Petersburg includes a stretch of Old State Road and two historic bridges dating from 1851-1936. The one wrought iron bridge existed outside the now vanished Wabash and Erie Canal port town of Dongola. A quarter of a mile north is an early 20th-century metal bridge. Both bridges are Pratt through truss designs. The road linking the two has been identified for its association with early transportation/Underground Railroad.



Twelve Points Historic District

Lafayette Ave from Linden to 13th St & Maple Ave from Garfield to 13th St.
Terre Haute, IN

Twelve Points Historic District is a satellite commercial district to downtown Terre Haute. In fact, its significance historically is that it was the first large scale suburban commercial development in Terre Haute beginning c.1905 and continuing today. It has architectural significance and traces the development of indigenous commercial buildings of the 20th century both locally and regionally.

Dr. Christopher Souder House

214 W. Main Street
Larwill, IN

Dr. Christopher Souder House is an example of Italianate residential design and is the best example of the style in Larwill. Constructed in 1877, the only change the house has undergone is the addition of the current porch in c.1910. Dr. Souder was born in 1842 and served in the Civil War. Upon his return, he attended medical school and got married. He served the residents of Larwill until he was forced to retire due to poor health and he died in 1899.

