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span length: 125'4" ea. timber retaining w/ steel piles abutments: 254'0" total length: piers: steel pile bent 13'1" roadway width: roadway: timber stringers and decking span type: simple approaches: none Two-span, steel pin-connected, 7-panel Pratt through truss top chords: two channels w/ cover plates and lacing; bottom chords: paired rectangular eyebars; verticals: two channels w/ lacing; diagonals: paired square eyebars; struts: angle; lateral and sway bracing: round bars; timber guardrails. Johnson County Road CN16-204 (Schoonover Road) milepost: 7.8

31.1 miles southeast of Buffalo T48N, R77W, S8. USGS Juniper Draw $7\frac{1}{2}$ ' quad. UTM: 13.408930.4888295

For shorter span ranges, Pratt pony trusses were used extensively for vehicular bridges during the late 19th and early 20th centuries. These featured similar compression-tension configurations as the Pratt throughs but had lower web heights. The most common type of truss in Wyoming, with a total of 36 still in use on the county road systems, most of the Pratt ponies are rigid-connected, erected after 1915. A handful of pin-connected examples still exist; from these four of the better preserved representatives for which the amount of available data is relatively complete have been selected.

🗧 🗸 🗸	Peloux Bridge	Johnson County (over Clear Creek)			
	erection date: 1912-13 span length: 75'0" total length: 81'6"	contractor: abutments: piers:	Canton Bridge Company Canton Ohio timber retaining w/ steel piles none		
	roadway width: 13'6"	roadway:	timber stringers and deck		
	span type: simple	pproaches:	none		
	Single-span, steel pin-connected 5-panel Pratt pony truss				
	rectangular eyebars; verticals: four angles w/ double lacing; diagonals: paired square eyebars (single eyebar counters w/ turnbuckles); angle guardrails.				
	Johnson County Road CN16-40	milepost:	0.2		
	2.6 miles northeast of Buffalo		T51N, R81W, S30.		
	USGS Buffalo 7½' quadrangle	UTM:	13.368215.4913300		
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i, l∕ÉCR	Kooi Bridge	Sheridan County (over Tongue River)			
	erection date: 1913 span length: 80'0" total length: 81'6"	contractor: abutments:	Jack Gregg Sheridan Wyoming concrete retaining w/ sweptback wings		

total length:81'6"piers:noneroadway width:16'0"roadway:timber stringers and deckingspan type:simpleapproaches:none

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ECR (continued) Single-span, steel pin-connected, 5-panel Pratt pony truss top chords: two channels w/ cover plates and lacing; bottom chords: paired rectangular eyebars; verticals: four angles w/ double lacing; diagonals: paired square evebars w/ turnbuckles (single evebar counters w/ turnbuckles); timber quardrails. Sheridan County Road CN3-93 milepost: 0.5 2.7 miles west of Monarch T57N, R85W, S14. USGS Monarch 7¹/₂' quadrangle UTM: 13.335250.4974775 EWZ VBridge over East Channel of Laramie River Platte County erection date: 1913-14 Pueblo Bridge Co. Pueblo Colorado contractor: span length: 70'0" abutments: timber retaining w/ steel piles 71'2" total length: piers: none roadway width: 15'8" timber stringers and decking roadway: simple approaches: span type: none Single-span, steel pin-connected 5-panel Pratt pony truss top chords: two channel w/ cover plates and lacing; bottom chords: paired rectangular eyebars; verticals: four angles w/ lacing; diagonals: paired square eyebars w/ turnbuckles (single eyebar counters w/ turnbuckles). Platte County Road CN8-204 (Palmer Canyon Road) milepost: 2.4 10.1 miles west of Wheatland T24N, R69W, S20. USGS Hightower SW 7¹/₂ quad. UTM: 13.487795.4654540 ECS Bridge over Big Goose Creek Sheridan County erection date: 1914 Canton Bridge Company Canton Ohio contractor: 50'0" span length: concrete retaining w/ sweptback wings abutments: total length: 50'0" piers: none roadway width: 15'0" roadway: steel stringers w/ timber decking span type: simple approaches: none Single-span, steel pin-connected 4-panel Pratt pony truss top chords: two channels w/ cover plates and lacing; bottom chords: paired rectangular eyebars; verticals: four angles w/ double lacing; diagonals: paired square eyebars w/ turnbuckles (single eyebar counters w/ turnbuckles).

Sheridan County Road CN3-53	milepost:	0.1
9.4 miles southwest of Sheridan	•	T55N, R85W, S17.
USGS Beckton 7½' quadrangle	UTM:	13.331435.4956400

One bridge in the survey features tandem Pratt through and pony trusses. Although not unique in its combination of through and pony spans or dissimilar truss types, it provides an unusual opportunity to view both of the major Pratt configurations.

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end posts. It is an interesting variation for a vehicular bridge in the state.

EAU Arvada Bridge

In February 1917, the Sheridan County Board of Commissioners received bids for 4 steel trusses - this one over the Powder River at Arvada, a 100' span over Clear Creek, an 80' span over the Tongue River and a 60' span over Lower Prairie Dog Creek. Monarch Engineering Company of Denver received the contract out of a field of eight bidders, with a proposal of \$18,000 (\$19,201 the day before). This pinconnected Parker through is one of only two examples remaining of its type in the state - one of the more significant of Wyoming's early bridges.

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EBF Bridge over Powder River

In October 1914 the Sheridan County commissioners, seeking to take advantage of an atypically dry riverbed for the Powder River, contracted with Gregg and Stout Bridge Company of Sheridan to build a center pier for a two-span truss bridge. Jack Gregg was awarded the contract for the superstructure in February 1915. This through truss, consisting of a Pratt and a Warren span, presents classic configurations of the two truss types. One of the earlier rigid-connected vehicular trusses in Wyoming, it presents a transition from the earlier pin-connected bridges. One of the state's more interesting vehicular trusses.

ECR Kooi Bridge

In May 1913 the Sheridan County commissioners advertised for bids for two 80' steel trusses - one over Lower Piney Creek and this one over the Tongue River at the town of Kooi. Five bridgebuilding firms submitted proposals for both high (through) and low (pony) trusses: Canton Bridge Company (low - \$4740; high - \$5080), Missouri Valley Bridge Company (low - \$3791; high - \$5733), C.G. Sedgewick (low - \$5298), Midland Bridge Company (low - \$5335) and Jack Gregg (low - \$3791; high - \$4493). Gregg from Sheridan was awarded the contract received the contract and completed the bridges later that year. This five-panel, pin-connected Pratt truss is a classic early example of a relatively common vehicular truss type in Wyoming. With a clear span of eighty feet, it is the longest pin-connected Pratt pony still in use on the state and county road systems.

ECS Bridge over Big Goose Creek

The Canton Bridge Company of Canton, Ohio, was awarded the construction contract