People's Federal Savings and Loan Association 101 East Court Street, Sidney

Completed in 1918 from designs by architect Louis Sullivan, this architectural gem—small in scale, exquisite in detail, colorful in material—makes a strong and individualistic architectural statement in its small-town Midwestern setting. The building was executed late in Sullivan's career and is one in the series of commissions that profoundly influenced 20th-century architecture. He considered it one of his best works, and it remains in virtually pristine condition, continuing to serve its original use. Patrons still enter under a mosaic panel inscribed with a single word: *Thrift*.