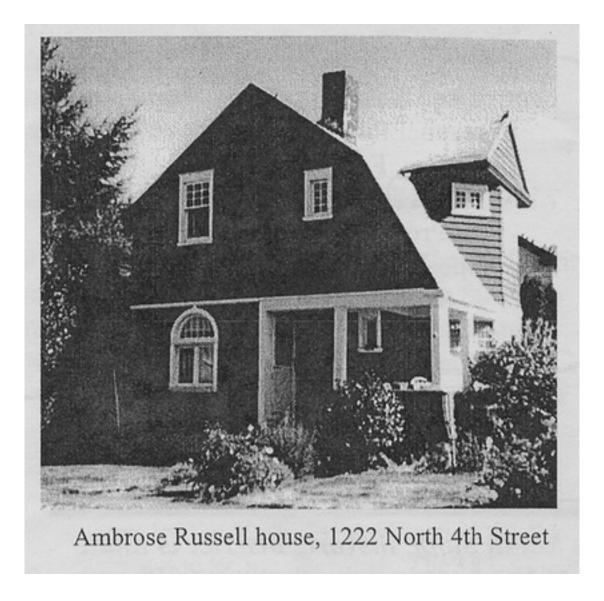
1222 North 4th

In 1896 Ambrose Russell, one of Tacoma's formats early architects, designed and built his own residence at 1222 North 4th Street. He lived in the North 4th and M areas until he moved to American Lake in 1908. The two-story Queen Anne style house was clad in horizontal wood clapboard, with a gambrel roof with gable extension.



Russell was born in India where his Scottish father was a missionary. His architectural training was in Paris. He came to America in 1884, and apprenticed in Boston, Kansas City, and St. Louis. He came to Tacoma in 1892, and was the architect of many different styled Tacoma houses, some of which are in the North Slope. He also was involved in designing the Govern's Mansion, the Rust Mansion, and the Washington State Guard Armory.