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   NORTH SLOPE HISTORIC SPECIAL REVIEW DISTRICT — 1996 EXPANSION

Historic

And/or common

2. Location

Street and number
   I, K, L & M Streets from Steele to 3rd or 4th North

City
   Tacoma

State
   WA

Zip
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4. Owner of Property

Name
   various and numerous

Street and number

City
   

State
   

Zip
   

5. Location of Legal Description

   Pierce County Assessors Office

Street and number
   2401 South 35th Street

City
   Tacoma

State
   WA

6. Representation In Existing Surveys

Title
   Tacoma—Pierce County Cultural REsources Survey — North End Planning area

Date
   1981

Federal

State

County

XX Local

Depository for survey records
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City
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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Amendment to the North Slope Historic Special Review District Nomination

**Streets I, K, L and M**

The majority of residences, single and multi-family, contained within this district extension (I, K, L, and M Streets) were designed in the Residential Vernacular Style, which does not represent a pure style, but rather utilizes detailing from one or more of the primary styles such as Queen Anne or Craftsman. Vernacular also refers to the fact that most of these structures were built using local materials.

There are good examples of several of the primary styles, which are listed below:

**Stick Style**

318 North I, 324 North I, 912 North I, 607 North K, 720 North K, and 822 North M.

**Queen Anne Style**

312 North I, 408 North K, 1015 North 5th, 1021 North 5th, 903 North K, 301 North L, 417 North M, and 424 North M.

**Tudor Style**

624 North I, 702 North I, 306 North K, 1112 North 10th, and 1220 North 5th.

**Colonial Revival**

1102 North 5th, and 1022 North K.

**Craftsman**

124 North I, 1122 North K, and 909 North M.

**Bungalow**

1017 North 10th, 1122 North 7th, 1138 North L, 1303 North 7th, and 719 North M.

The houses in this district were designed and built primarily by builders and contractors. Architects of note will be described later.

On North I Street, the most widely used builders were Charles Drury, John P. Vincent, Bartz & Davis, and Chris Holtz. On North K Street, the builders listed most often are the Cornell Brothers, Blair & Ramsey, C.F. Erickson, J.C. Murphy, and C.A. Hansen. North L Street's significant builders are Frank Snyder, Fred E. Tate, S.L. Blair, J. Vaughn & Son, R.D. Duff, and J.F. Bachelor. Finally, the builders most widely used on North M Street are, Albert Miller, Charles Drury, Cornell Brothers, Weller Brothers, E.J. Bresemann, John Gallucci, Gunnar W. Dahlquist, H.F. Deweese, and Fred E. Tate.

*Descriptions of the architectural styles are found in the primary North Slope Historic District Nomination form.*
Also of importance are the architects who designed homes and churches in the neighborhood, most notably C.A. Darmer, Frederick Heath, and Ambrose Russell. The area has, for the most part, retained the valuable structures designed by these men, as well as other architects.

Below is detailed biographical information on the predominant architects who designed buildings in the neighborhood, followed by a list by individual address identifying original resident, builder or architect, and the oldest date documenting the existence of the building.

CARL AUGUST DARMER
Darmer was born in Stralsund, Prussia and received traditional architectural training there as well as apprenticing in the building trades. He came to San Francisco in 1882 and learned about American building techniques before taking a position in the firm of Warren Williams in Portland, Oregon. Darmer followed the lead of many young architects and builders who were relocating to Tacoma after a series of disastrous fires there in 1884. He formed a partnership with William Farrell and together they designed not only residences but entire business blocks, schools and hotels in Tacoma. After 1900 Darmer formed a partnership with Otis Cutting, and their firm designed 919 North L Street. In association with other firms, Darmer is responsible for 324 North I, and 408, 619, and 908 North K Street.

FREDERICK HEATH
Heath received his architectural training primarily through the firm of Warren H. Hayes in Minneapolis, Minnesota. At one time Heath was the official architect for the Tacoma School Board and was responsible for the conversion of the old Tacoma Land and Hotel into Stadium High School. Heath was associated with other architects in Tacoma; Ambrose Russell, Phillip Spaulding, and Luther Twitchell. Heath designed (individually or as a member of a firm) several residences in this neighborhood: 624 North I, 624 North L, and 1303 Division Avenue. Another building of note designed by Heath is the First Church of Christ Scientist, near Wright Park.

AMBROSE RUSSELL
Russell was born in India and was trained as an architect at the Ecole de Beaux Arts in Paris. He apprenticed with the firm of H. H. Richardson in Boston, and firms in Kansas City and St. Louis.

Russell came to Tacoma in 1893 and formed a partnership with Everett P. Babcock. Some of the firm's most notable designs are the Governor's Mansion in Olympia, the Rust Mansion, the Washington National Guard Armory and the Vaeth House. They designed 710 North I and 916 North K. He designed his own home at 1222 North 4th, and in association with other partners designed 702 North I, 306 North K, and 624 North L.

LUTHER TWITCHELL
Twitchell came to Tacoma in 1907 from Minneapolis. He resided in Tacoma for nine years, during which time he was a partner with Frederick Heath. He was one of the founders of the Architect's Club of Tacoma and also served as an architect for the Metropolitan Park Board. Heath and Twitchell designed 1303 Division Avenue and 624 North I.

EVERETT P. BABCOCK
Babcock came to Tacoma from New York and was first commissioned to design the Carnegie Library. He formed a partnership with Ambrose Russell in 1893, and they designed 710 North I and 916 North K.

WILLIAM FARRELL
Farrell's architectural training was considered to be similar to that of many "frontier" architect-builders. Farrell withdrew from his partnership with Darmer in 1891 and formed a second partnership with John Proctor. They were responsible for numerous residences throughout Tacoma and quite a few commercial structures as well. The majority of these buildings are no longer standing, such as the Pierce County Courthouse on South G Street. In association with various partners Farrell designed 324 and 502 North I.
JOHN PROCTOR

Proctor, and the firms he was associated with, were responsible for a large number of residences and commercial structures in the Tacoma area. However, the majority of the structures do not remain standing today. His notoriety lead to the naming of Proctor Street and the Proctor Business District after him. Proctor's firms designed residences at 1218, 1220 and 502 North 1, and 714 North K. The firm of Proctor & Dennis was responsible for the design of the West Coast Grocery Building.

ROLLIN TUTTLE

Rollin Tuttle was trained as an architect and his brother Paul was a contractor. The Tuttle brothers designed and built several Tacoma homes, including 1002, 1112, and 1124 North L.

ARNOTT WOODROOFE

Woodroofe was at one time the head draftsman for the firm of Russell & Babcock. He stated once that he received the most satisfaction in designing Bungalow Style homes. He was associated with Rollin Tuttle and Arnold Constable. His firm designed 1122 North K snf 1002 North L.

ARNOLD CONSTABLE

Constable was known for his "clever perspectives and wash drawings". In the summer of 1909 he returned to his family home in England for a visit. He wired his partner (Woodroofe) in October and the telegraph simply read "married". Woodroofe was quoted as saying that he "nearly fell over dead" when he read it. Constable had made no mention of his plans prior to leaving Tacoma four months earlier. He returned shortly thereafter with his new bride to Tacoma. His firm designed 1122 North K.

GEORGE W. BULLARD

Bullard was born in Illinois, and was a graduate of the University of Illinois. He came to Tacoma in 1890 and opened the firm of Bullard & Hayward. The firm is best known for their design of the Y.M.C.A. Building, First Congregational Church, First Christian Church, the State Historical Society Building and Epworth Methodist Church. He also designed 824 North K, and 916 and 1017 North L.

ROLAND E. BORHEK

Borhek is considered one of Tacoma's prominent architects, although little personal information could be found regarding him. He is listed as the architect for the Bavarian Restaurant, located at 204 North K Street. He also designed his private residence, which was built on land once belonging to Joe Carr, Tacoma's first settler. Borhek tore down Carr's frame house in order to construct his own.

I. JAY KNAPP

Knapp came to Tacoma from Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 1904. He is best known for the design of Seymour Conservatory at Wright Park. He designed 308 and 312 North I.
8. Significance

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Significant dates 1890 to 1940  Builder/Architect various

Describe the history and significance of the property to Tacoma's heritage.
Summarize its Importance in the first paragraph.

The North Slope Historic Special Review District (NSHSDR) is one of the many neighborhoods that developed shortly after Tacoma was selected as the western terminus of the trans-continental Northern Pacific Railroad in 1873. Tacoma was intended to be the predominant northwest terminal, connecting at last the Pacific Northwest to midwestern and eastern manufacturing centers. The fact that Tacoma's port was considered as the point of origin for the shipment of goods to the Orient was a major factor in the selection of Tacoma as the western terminus.

The railroad that would connect Tacoma to St. Paul, Minnesota was not completed until 1887. The Northern Pacific Railroad organization was chiefly responsible for embarking on a campaign to attract investors and families from the east to settle this burgeoning community. The Pacific Northwest's untapped natural resources was a draw that caused a population boom in the area between 1887 and 1893.

New Tacoma, as the NorthEnd was considered to be in relation to the original settlement in Old Town to the west, was looked upon as a more respectable, middle class community. Old Town at the time was viewed as a working class district occupied by such undesirables as longshoremen, fishermen, and workers for the Tacoma Mill Company who undoubtedly patronized the many saloons found there.

The NorthEnd, as the rest of the Tacoma settlement, experienced several intensive growth periods. The first occurred, as mentioned, after the completion of the railroad in 1887 and lasted through 1893. The area suffered a depression at this point and the second period of growth did not happen until 1900, but lasted fifteen years before declining. The third growth period occurred immediately after World War I and continued through the first years of the depression that began with the Stock Market Crash in 1929.

The NSHSDR is located Northwest of the central business district and is part of a street plat that was laid out at a forty-five degree angle to the rest of the City. The core area extends from the north side of I Street, J Street (previously nominated and approved) K, L, and M Streets, bordered by Division Avenue and Steele Streets. The neighborhood does not appear to have been developed progressively from Division to Steele as it is not uncommon to find structures built as early as 1889 and 1910 standing beside structures built 20 to 30 years later, in the 1930's or 1940's. According to 1896 Sandborn street maps, structures were built sporadically throughout the area, rather than showing a concentration of building in one area at this early stage of development.

It was settled as a primarily residential street and remains so today for the most part. The distribution of dwellings is fairly dense, however, this varies from block to block. While historic residential structures dominate, there have been contemporary multi-family apartment buildings introduced into the neighborhood in several locations. Historically, there were two commercial enterprises, Chapman & Chapman Bakery located at 516 North K, and the Samuel Glenn Laundry at 1006 North I.

The NSHSDR is significant for a variety of reasons. Again, as with North J Street, the early residents who settled the area represent an almost complete cross-section of the population. Physicians, lawyers and prominent clothiers lived side-by-side with tailors, electricians and teachers.

Of the nine doctors in the district, probably the most well-known was Dr. Charles C. Reberger, who at one time was the Director of Nuclear Medicine at Tacoma General Hospital, and in 1970 was appointed Chief of Staff.

Three prominent Tacoma architects made their homes in the area, George Gove (311 North L), Carl A. Darmer (520 North L), and Ambrose J. Russell (1222 North 4th).
There were six teachers and three principals in the neighborhood, including Henry F. Hunt, who served as Stadium High School’s principal from 1912-1928.

L. Schoenfeld & Sons, a Tacoma institution, is represented by two salesmen and Berman Heyman, who founded the store with the Seattle-based Schoenfelds and served as its president/manager for 20 years. Other prominent clothiers are two of the Rhodes brothers, Albert at 702 North 1, and Charles, at 702 North K (Incidentally, Henry A. Rhodes built his home at 701 North J Street). In addition, J.T. Braddock was a manager of the People’s Store.

Other notable people living in this district are the Pitzen Family (Pitzen Glass Co.), Marji Millar (an actress in Hollywood), and Lieut.-Col. William J. Fife of the First WA Volunteers.

Frisko Freeze, a long-time Tacoma eatery, is located in the district, at 1201 Division Ave. and L Streets.

Louis Vitalich, who lived at 1014 North 1, and Kajo Mihovilovich, who resided at 1017 North 12th, were local fishermen. David Lister was the captain of a steamer named Clara Brown. Mrs. Margaret Hall, originally a resident of Gig Harbor, decided she wanted to live next door to her daughter at 1224 North 1, and moved her house by barge across to Tacoma in 1904. Tacoma Academy, operated by Dr. A.P. Powelson from 1890-1902, was located at 313 North K. A manager of the Pantages Theater, Earl T. Cook, resided at 1119 North M. Finally, Francis Kellogg, who is listed as an “Oculist and Aurist” (early terms for an Eye and Ear Doctor), resided at 1119 North 4th St.

Clearly, the district historically contained a wide and interesting variety of individuals who played a significant role in Tacoma’s early development.
9. Major Bibliographical References

City Directories
Tacoma News Tribune
Tacoma Daily Ledger
Tacoma Times
Tacoma's Who's Who
Spike's Illustrated History
Hunt's History of Tacoma

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property

Quadrangle name: Tacoma North
Quadrangle scale

UTM References:

A Zone
Easting Northing
B Zone
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C Zone
Easting Northing
D Zone
Easting Northing

Verbal boundary description
see attached map

11. Form Prepared By

Name/Title: Diane Kirby-Sahlin
Organization: Tacoma Historic Preservation Office
Date: 9/16/1996
Street and number: 747 Market Street, Room 836
Telephone: 206/591-5220
City or town: Tacoma
State: WA

12. Designation

Date of Public Hearing: 13 November 1996 (TLPC)
The Tacoma Landmarks Preservation Commission, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 1.42 of the Official Code of the City of Tacoma, approves/denies the designation of this property as a historic landmark or building.

Chairperson, Landmarks Preservation Commission

Date

Historic Preservation Officer

Date

City Council Action:
approved denied

Resolution No.: Date:
North Slope Historic Special Review District

“T” Street

124 North 1 St.
Subway Sandwiches
Originally Roberts Brothers Grocery/Sloan’s Dancing Academy

According to The Daily Ledger, the store and bakery would be built on the site that was then occupied by Park Universalist church, by Frank, Harry and Fletcher Roberts. The main store and retail space would be 35' x 72' in size, and would also “contain a shipping room 22’x35’ feet, storage room 20’x40’ feet, finishing room 16’x20’ feet, and spacious oven room 15’x30’ feet. There will also be a private office, toilets and shower baths for bakery employees, and a flowing fountain.” The second floor was initially left unfinished, but was later to become facilities “for dancing and public gathering purposes.” An advertisement announces that “Sloan’s School for Dancing: opens for reception of pupils Monday evening, October 19, 1908”, and Francis P. Sloan was the instructor. The structure cost $6,000 to build at that time.

A few years later a newspaper article recorded a crime at the building, which was “discovered by Patrolman Angus in what the police assert was an attempt to rob the Robert’s Bros.’ grocery at Division avenue and I street early yesterday morning...” Two men who had intended to break into the safe at the back of the store were captured at the scene.

Jesse O. Thomas, Jr., builder
Potter & Lundberg, architects
Style: California Bungalow
1908

202 North 1 St.
7-11 Store

210 North 1 St.
Tacoma Little Theater, originally Tacoma Gas & Electric Garage

The garage is described in the paper as having night and day service, and at the time the company was employing “...ten mechanics, and has one of the largest service stations in Tacoma.” A second article relates, “The Tacoma Garage specializes in renting cars without drivers. Both Messrs. Shull and Hyde are experienced in this business and declare that the Chevrolet is best suited for this because of the low operating cost and popularity of the car with both men and women drivers.”

Nearly 30 years later, the building was selected by the board of trustees of the Tacoma Drama League to become the new home of the Tacoma Little Theater. John Conway, U of W art director at the time, claimed that the building “...was ideally fitted for ready and inexpensive adaption into a first class Little Theater.” Apparently the theater design was well-regarded by experts at the time, especially the revolving stage which allowed for the efficient change of sets from one scene to the next. The theater opened in 1940.

Original architect, builder and contractor unknown.
Converted to theater by Silas E. Nelsen and Charles T. Pearson, architects, 1940

c. 1913
901 North 3rd St.
Park 12 Apartments
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown.
Date of construction: post-1960

308 North 1 St.
Home of Meyer Jacob, owner, Meyer Jacob & Co. (Boots & Shoes, 1138 Pacific Ave.)
Chris Holtz, builder
I. Jay Kaapp, architect
Bartz & Davis, contractor
1905

312 North 1 St.
Home of Berman Heyman, Pres. and Manager, L Schoenfeld & Sons, Inc. (Stoves & Ranges, Crockery, Glassware, Household Furnishings).

Heyman was born in Germany, but came to the United States as a young child. He established a furniture business in Virginia City, Nevada. His establishment happened to be situated next door to a newspaper, the Virginia City Enterprise, which was run by none other than Samuel Clemens, who later became known as Mark Twain.

Heyman came to Tacoma after forming a partnership with Seattle family, L. Schoenfeld, and founded the furniture store L. Schoenfeld & Sons, Inc. He was President of the store for more than 20 years. He would eventually relocate to San Francisco, where he passed away.

Chris Holtz, builder
I. Jay Knapp, architect
Bartz & Davis, contractor
1905

314 North 1 St.
Home of Dr. Samuel L. and Susan Blair, Physician and Surgeon

Dr. Blair maintained a practice in Tacoma for nearly 50 years, arriving here in 1906. Blair grew up on a "wheat and stock farm in Illinois", and received his education in Chicago. His first patients in private practice were in Trinidad, Colorado. Here, Blair had the distinction of having operated on notorious train robber, Blackjack, who after attempting to "hold up a Colorado and Southern train which had recent experience with gunmen" was shot by the conductor. The prisoner was brought to Dr. Blair by the sheriff. Apparently the man's arm was so badly damaged that an amputation was necessary, and Dr. Blair relates in a newspaper article, "...there was nothing for it but to amputate the arm, so I told him...(Blackjack) said no, but there was very little he could say about it and I took the arm off. For all our efforts, he was hanged shortly after in New Mexico, for train robbery carried the death penalty in those days..."

Blair and his wife first ran the Tacoma Private Sanitarium, which occupied the present site of the Buckley-King Mortuary. Here Mrs. Blair would often act as her husband’s anesthetist. Later he received a contract to care for employees of the Tacoma Smelter, which he held for 10 years. At that time Blair was paid 50 cents a month for each of the 500 workers, and received $10 to deliver a baby. Blair was still seeing patients occasionally at 90 years of age.

Original architect, builder and contractor unknown

1947
422 North I St.
   Galaxie Apartments
   William J. Edwards, builder and contractor
   1961

502 North I St.
   Home of Frank M. Lamborn, vice-president of Allen & Lamborn Printing Co.
   Lamborn resided here with his mother, Ada W. Lamborn and his wife (possibly daughter) Elizabeth,
   who was a teacher at Logan School. The structure was designed with nine rooms, and would have a stone
   basement and would be heated by hot air.
   Proctor & Farrell, architect
   M.J. Westerfield, contractor
   1904

514 North I St.
   Home of Dr. Henry W. Dewey, Physician and Surgeon, 8 & 9 Wright Block
   The house built for Dr. Dewey was to cost $4,000.
   W.R. Brown, architect and contractor
   Style: English Cottage
   1889

522 North I St.
   Fairmont Terrace Apartments (originally Cambridge Apartments)
   Property Holding & Development, Inc., builder
   Al Simonson, architect
   Shaw House Construction, Inc., contractor
   1971

602 North I St.
   Home of A. Crawford Anderson, renter of scows
   Pickles & Sutton, architect
   Link & Young, contractor
   1888

608 North I St.
   Original occupant unknown, home of Lyman U. Loomis (1899), President Bair-Loomis Banking & Investment Co.
   Frank L. Crosby, builder
   Peter Johnson, contractor
   1889

612 North I St.
   G.C. Clements, architect
   F.C. Hall, contractor
   1889
710 North I St.
Home of William R. Nichols, 2nd vice-pres./manager Pacific Coast Gypsum Co.
Russell & Babcock, architects
1906

714 North I St.
Home of Arthur C. Merrill, gen’l manager Commercial Dock Co. (Steamer, Shipping & Forwarding Agents, Warehouse & Storage)
Charles Drury, builder
1893

718 North I St.
Home of Lawrence W. Wade, Metcalf & Wade, lumber, 510 Fidelity Bldg
Charles Drury, builder
1893

720/722 North I St.
Home of Frank B. Taylor, Real Estate
Charles Drury, builder
1893

724 North I St.
Home of Dr. Warren F. Brown, Physician & Surgeon, 201-03 Berlin Bldg
Charles Drury, builder
1893

801 North I St.
The Biltmore Apartments
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1926

808 North I St.
Home of Arthur F. Albertson, Pres. Tacoma Dredging Co. and director of Nat’l Bank of Tacoma
Albertson was born in Detroit, Michigan in 1859. He married Martha Lloyd Voohees in 1890 and they had one daughter, Martha. Albertson held several positions in national and local banks, as well as being involved in many businesses in the area, such as the Pacific Coast Gypsum Co., the Pacific Cold Storage Co., and the Durham Colliers Co. He is listed in *Tacoma Who’s Who*. He was active in civic affairs as well, serving on the Chamber of Commerce for 15 years, and as President of the Fircrest Golf and Country Club.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1892
918 North 1st St.
Home of Mrs. Mary C. Hansen, wid.
Mary Hansen shared her home with a B. Amandous, a dressmaker.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1928

920 North 1st St.
Home of Mrs. Helen F. McMicken, occupation unknown
Tacoma Building and Savings Association, builder, architect and contractor
Style: Modern Gothic
1889

924 North 1st St.
Home of James S. Bogle, Manning, Bogle & Hays (Real Estate & Loans), 33-34 Gross Block
Tacoma Building and Savings Association, builder, architect and contractor
1889

1006 North 1st St.
Originally the Samuel Glenn Laundry
The Samuel Glenn Laundry opened in 1910 and immediately met with controversy. A 1911 article states that “Judge Clifford Rules That Plant Shall Shut Down Completely”, and continues to say “...that so long as the plant runs, noises and smoke will necessarily trouble neighbors.” The laundry was to close its doors a month from the date of the ruling.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1910

1008 North 1st St.
Home of Samuel A. Andrews, Jeweler & Loan Broker, 1144 Pacific Ave.
A newspaper article describes the house as “...a large and commodious house of nine rooms.” The parlor was to be finished with golden oak. Andrews was to complete the residence at a cost of $4,000.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1904

1012 North 1st St.
Home of Frank Kneeland, wood dealer
F.H. Martin, architect and contractor
1889

1014 North 1st St.
Home of Louis and Anna Vitalich, fisherman
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1928
1302-06 North I St.
The Muscek Building, currently Bay View Medical Center, Adolescent Assessment Center and Dentist’s offices.

Louis Muscek, a Tacoma attorney, built this commercial building, which was “Regarded by Realtors as the forerunner of a thriving business community at North 13th and I streets...” The structure would house five retail shops and cost Muscek $20,000 at completion. Muscek was a founder of a plan by the State Developers corporation, of which he was vice-president, to build 200 homes and other buildings in Tacoma.

Louis Muscek was born in 1888 in New York city, but came West with his family to Montana where he attended school. The family moved to Tacoma in 1892. Muscek worked for a time and saved enough money to pay his way through law school, which he attended at Mount Hermon School, Mount Hermon, Massachusetts and Columbia University. He returned to Tacoma in 1907 and entered the law office of Judge Knight, and in 1910, after being admitted to the bar, formed a partnership with Judge Knight. He was involved in politics, having been a leader of the Young Men’s Republican Club, and making a run for the senate in 1914.

Mrs. Muscek was involved in civic activities, at one point acting as president of the Tacoma Ladies Musical club.

Shaw & Shaw, architects
Louis J. Muscek, builder
Kitten & Wood, contractor
1924

1312 North I St.
Richfield Oil Co. Service Station, currently Arco Gas Station
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
Date of construction unknown; improvements made in 1937
North Slope Historic Special Review District
“K” Street

1019 Division Ave.
Office of Henry C. Heim, DDS
Date of construction unknown

204 North K St.
The Bavarian Restaurant, originally Community Center Building
Roland Borhek, architect
Jesse Thomas, builder
Chalmers & Huntington/Northwestern Brick & Tile Construction Company, contractor
1916

223 North K St.
Medical Laboratory building, originally a store building
B. Benjamin, builder
Olaf Larson, contractor
1924

305 North K St.
Deboraire Apartments
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1965

306 North K St.
Wells Hall, Christ Church Parish
Ambrose J. Russell, architect
J.E. Bonnell & Sons, contractor
1927

310 North K St.
Christ Episcopal Church
Paul Thiry, architect
1969

311 North K St.
Home of Theodore Kildall
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1887
408 North K St.

Home of Dr. Francis Atwell, Dentist, 403 Provident Bldg.

A newspaper article states, “Dr. Francis Atwell has just completed and occupied what may be considered one of the most modern of Tacoma homes.” The home, though described as a “cottage”, has eight rooms and “...a reception hall, bathrooms, linen and sewing-room, closets and other rooms.” The house has a number of large “built-ins”, e.g. bookcase and sideboard.

C. August Darmer, architect
Cornell Bros., contractor
1906

409 North K St.

Home of Daniel I. Cornell, Cornell Bros., contractors

While little is known about the residence itself, a newspaper article does relate the story of a robbery at this location - robbers got away with a complete Christmas dinner. The article states, “There were all the materials ready for a real Christmas dinner, such as Dickens would have loved, and the robbers were not slow to take possession. Away went the oysters and the turkey and all the other things that go to make up a holiday dinner...”

Cornell Bros., contractor
C. 1891

411 North K St.

Home of Charles E. Claypool, Claypool, Haight & Cushman, Lawyers, 501-02 Merchants Nat’l Bank Building
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1891

412-420 North K St.

Shenendoah Apartments
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1977

413 North K St.


The house was completed at a cost of $1,600 and contained “...five rooms and a bath.” The article also states that it “...is one of the daintiest little homes in Tacoma.”

William Courtney Bakes was born in Philadelphia, and arrived in Tacoma with his parents in 1896. He went on to join the Provident Mutual Life Insurance Company staff, and became manager of the Provident Building on Pacific Avenue. In 1916 he returned to Philadelphia to take a position as assistant manager of the mortgage loan department of the Provident Mutual Life Insurance Company. He retired in 1946 and came back to Tacoma with his wife Ruth, to make his home again.

Dodd, contractor
Style: bungalow
1907
1102 North 5th St.
Garrett Fisher was born in Montrose, Iowa in 1865. He attended the College of Cincinnatti. Fisher came to Tacoma from Bellingham, WA in 1889 and formed a partnership with his brother L.H. Fisher and they went into the retail shoe business. In 1892 he married Jennie Cushman, who was from Keokuk, Iowa, and they had a son and daughter. During the depression of 1893 Fisher traveled as a shoe salesman and then in 1895 opened the Tacoma Shoe Co. on Pacific Avenue. In 1906 he joined the Stone-Fisher Co. (now the Bon Marche). For more than 37 years he was a trustee of the Chamber of Commerce, also serving a term as president. He was appointed by Tacoma's Mayor Tennent to fill the position of director of the library board, which he took over from Mrs. J.P. Weyerhaeuser.
Cornell Bros., contractor
1901

1105 North 5th St.
Home of Robert E. and Florence L. Walton, Walton Garage
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1908

508 North K St.
Elite Beauty Shop, original proprietors were Cora Rinehart and Ella Coleman
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1924

511 North K St.
Apartments
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1954

512 North K St.
Home of T.A. Rehak, manager American Veterans Club
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1946

516 North K St.
Chapman & Chapman Bakery
Mrs. Pamela Chapman, builder
1906

516 North K St.
Home of Bert R. Lewis, Lewis Machinery
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1933

518-520 North K St.
Home of Albert F. and Elvina B. Robinson, sec./treas. Webster-Robinson Machinery & Supply Co., Inc.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1948
610-610 1/2 North K St.
Home of Reverend Huntington K. Pendleton, Pastor Central Christian Church
A daughter, Katharine, also resides at the home.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1901

611 North K St.
Home of Paul A. Williams, bartender, Derby Club, 410 S. 11th
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1949

612 North K St.
Home of William R. Edwards, McKenzie & Edwards, contractors
McKenzie & Edwards, contractors
C. 1890

613 North K St.
Home of Overton G. Ellis, Ellis & Fletcher, Lawyers, 510-12 Fidelity Building
Overton Gentry Ellis was born in 1860 in Nodaway County, Missouri. He attended the University of
Missouri and went on to Law School at the University of Virginia. He married Jennie Wilhite of Kansas City,
Mo., in 1894 and they came to Tacoma around that time. They had a son and daughter. Ellis practiced law
with several different partners, namely a Fletcher and Evans. He would eventually become Chief justice of the
Washington State Supreme Court, in 1910.

Mrs. Jennie Wilhite Ellis was born in Leavenworth, Kansas, and grew up in Kansas City, Missouri,
She attended school here, and later taught in the public schools before her marriage. Mrs. Ellis was active in
civic affairs, and was particularly interested in government and politics. She played an important role in the
founding of the Tacoma Presidents’ Council, the Tacoma Chapter of the English-Speaking Union and the
Tacoma World Affairs Council and was a member of the League of Nations Association and the United Nations
Association. When women were granted the right to vote, Mrs. Ellis was appointed to the Democratic national
Committee, serving from 1920-1925. A newspaper article states that Mrs. Ellis, and others, “...had centered
national attention on Tacoma with a staunch fight for the city’s first pure food ordinance.” For two year, in
1912 and 1913, she was a member of the national executive committee of the League to Enforce Peace, “a group
that drew up the document later adopted as charter of the League of Nations.”

Overton G. Ellis, Jr., spent his life as a foreign service officer for the Department of State. He held
many interesting positions. He was a graduate of the University of Washington and served with the American
Express bank at Hongkong as cashier for three years, and another three years with the same bank in Athens.
He passed state department examinations in 1931 and “...entered a school for consular men at Washington...”
He ranked “...next to highest man among 350 taking the examination.” He was appointed as vice consul of the
United States at Budapest, and in 1936 was appointed to the same position in Singapore.

Cornell Bros., contractor
1901

616 North K St.
Home of Mrs. Louisa H. Wing, wid. Charles
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1913
702 North K St.
Home of Charles W. Rhodes, clerk, Rhodes Bros.
The house was constructed with "...a solid concrete foundation..." and the full basement had
"...stationary porcelain wash tubs and a hot air furnace for heating the entire house." On the main floor, the
"...reception hall, parlor and dining room casings are treated by a new process, giving the fir wood an extremely
hard, polished finish..." In the parlor was a tiled fireplace and "...windows of French plate glass."
Charles Rhodes was born in Trempeleau, Wisconsin, and came to Tacoma in 1895. He and his
brothers formed the Rhodes Department Store, and Charles served as general superintendent and personnel
manager. He was one of the founders of the Commercial Club, which would later become the Chamber of
Commerce. He moved to California in the late 1940's, but returned to the area in 1958.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1904

707 North K St.
Home of Edward S. Shull, accountant, Puget Sound Flouring Mills, Co.
The home was estimated to cost $2,800.
Cornell Bros., contractor
1903

708 North K St.
Home of Charles Glockler, carpenter
The home was estimated to cost $1,500.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1904

711 North K St.
Home of Mrs. Edmund D. Bernhard, wid.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1905

714 North K St.
Home of E.W. Avery, occupation unlisted
Proctor & Dennis, architects.
C. Caleson, contractor
1889

715 North K St.
Home of Robert and Lydia Nerland, carpenter
The home was estimated to cost $3,000.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1928
1017 North 8th St.
Substation

1110 North 8th St.
Home of B. V. Schwulen, occupation unlisted
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
    c. 1912

812 North K St.
The Wright Apartments
Alfred Simonson, architect
Property Holding & Development, Inc., builder
    1972

813 North K St.
Shaw House-Culbertson Apartments
Property Holding & Development, Inc., builder
    1970

823 North K St.
Home of and Elias Floyd Messinger, Pres. Hunt & Mottet Hardware
    Messinger was born in Denver, Iowa in 1856. He spent his first 12 years working with his father on
their family farm and attending local schools. His first job was in a hardware store in Waterloo, Iowa, where he
remained for two years. At this time his father operated a mill, and Elias took a job packing flour there for the
next three years. In 1875, he was “afflicted by western fever”, and at the age of twenty, came to Portland,
Oregon, “dead broke”. In Oregon he worked in an iron foundry, taught school for several terms, worked on a
ranch and finally, in 1878, started his own grain business in Amity, Oregon. This same year he married Adeline
Elizabeth Ladd. They had one son and two daughters. Again, Elias was tempted by the rumors of opportunity
in another City, and in 1887 he brought his family to Tacoma. He timed his arrival with the celebration
surrounding the driving of the last spike on the Northern Pacific Railroad. He began work as a shipping clerk
at the Hunt & Mottet Company, wholesale and retail hardware dealers. By 1906 Messinger had succeeded Mr.
Mottet as President of the company. In addition to his business activities, Messinger was involved in numerous
civic causes, namely the Tacoma Boosters (Commercial Club), the Y.M.C.A.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
    1890
902 North K St.
Home of Dwight Phelps, Eidemiller & Phelps, loans, 510-511 Berlin Building
A permit listing states, “A two-story dwelling, to coast $4,000, will be erected by D. Phelps on North Ninth and K streets. The building will be forty-six feet long and thirty-two feet wide, and will be fitted with all modern conveniences…”
Another article covers the marriage of Miss Harriet Phelps, Dwight’s second daughter, who married Hugh G. Weir of Juneau, Alaska.
F.D. Hill, architect
E.C. Hill, contractor
1903

903 North K St.
Home of William H. Hollis, lawyer
Lemuel Root, builder
1892

908 North K St.
Home of Nicholas J. Brazell, salesman St. Paul and Tacoma Lumber Co.
Charles A. Darmer, architect
John Biehn, contractor
1904

911 North K St.
Apartments
Robert Billsbrough Price, architect
Tacoma Housing Authority, builder
Merit Co., contractor
1965

912 North K St.
Home of R. L. and Elizabeth Stubbs, pres./manager United Auto Transportation Co., Inc.
When Stubbs sold the house, the newspaper described the house, “It is of English architecture, covering two lots and containing six rooms”.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1925

916 North K St.
Home of Roy E. Davison, vice-pres./manager H.N. Richmond Paper Co.
The house was originally designed with eight rooms, and “...the interior is to be treated in the old mission style, with large stone fireplace.” After construction had begun, another article states, “It is the only house in that neighborhood making special pretensions to architectural attractiveness, and will be an important addition to that part of the city.”
Russell & Babcock, architects
O.J. Olson, contractor
1905
1008 North K St.
   Home of William H. Avery, grocer, Osborn & Edmundson (Wash. Grocery), 1002 S. 11th
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1892

1010/1012 North K St.
   Home of James A. Williamson, Williamson & Williamson, lawyers, 414 Fidelity building
   C.F. Erickson, contractor
   1903

1011 North K St.
   Home of Joseph M. Hargis, clerk, London & San Francisco Bank
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1903

1014 North K St.
   Home of George G. and Opal Williamson, Williamson & Williamson, lawyers, 414 Fidelity building
   Frank C. Hill, architect
   C.F. Erickson, contractor
   1903

1017 North K St.
   Apartments, four units
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1955

1020 North K St.
   Fourplex townhouses
   Tyler Gazecki, architect and builder
   1994

1022 North K St.
   Home of Samuel R. Balkwill, owner and architect
   The house was estimated to cost $4,000 at the time of its construction. It was to be “...piped for gas
   lights and gas range.”
   A later article pictures Mr. and Mrs. Balkwill “...in their 1913 Cadillac coupe, purchased last week
   from the St. Helens garage, the home of the Cadillac in Tacoma.”
   Cornell Bros., contractor
   1901

1015 North 11th
   Home of Michael and Minnie Miller, factory worker Pacific Match Co.
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1940
1120 North K St.
  Capri Apartments
  Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
  c. 1958

1122 North K St.
  Home of Dr. John B. McNerthney, Physician, 206 Provident Building
  The house was to have ten rooms and was estimated to cost $3,000. A later article states that the house, as finished, “...contains nine large rooms and the interior finish is slash-grain fir.”
  Woodrooofe & Constable, architects
  1908

1013 North 12th St.
  Home of Delbert A. and Virginia Belfoy, Belfoy's Shell Service Station, 101 S. 24th
  Belfoy would later go on to found the Belfoy Smith Construction Co. in 1950, and serve as vice-president and treasurer of Ward Smith, Inc. He also served for a time as the president of the Tacoma Master Builders Association.
  He and his wife had a son and daughter.
  Original architect, builder and contractor unknown.
  c. 1939

1014 North 12th St.
  Home of James L. and Mary Hunt, glass blower
  Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
  c. 1926

1016 North 12th St.
  Home of James L. and Mary Hunt, glass blower (reside here in 1928)
  Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
  c. 1922

1017 North 12th St.
  Home of Kajo and Winifred Mihovilovich, fisherman
  Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
  1938

1020 North 12th St.
  Home Neil P. Harrison, Pres. Harrison Bros. Co. (Fuel, Sand & Gravel, 2140 S. C)
  Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
  1909

1021 North 12th St.
  Home of Charles P. Taylor, linotype operator, The Ledger
  Peter Irving, builder
  Frank Snyder, contractor
  1902
1721 North Steele  
Home of William W. Glenn, manager Sperry Flour Mills  
Glenn is listed in Tacoma Who's Who, which states that he was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1885. He attended local schools and business school and came to Tacoma in 1904. In 1906 he married Ethel Kirkpatrick. They had five daughters and one son. Glenn was office manager for the Sperry Flour Co. and the Contennial Flouring Mills for 27 years. Glenn was a leader in the Boy Scout movement in Tacoma, serving as Scoutmaster of Troop No. 1 for over 30 years. He went on to act as district commissioner and was awarded the Silver Beaver Award and the American Legion Meritorious Service Award for his activities. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown  
c. 1909

1725 North Steele  
Home of Charles L. and Ella Roberts, Real Estate  
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown  
c. 1910
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“L” Street

1201 Division Ave.
Frisko Freeze Restaurant
Frisko Freeze was built on the site of an old service station by Perry Smith. Smith was driving for a gas company at the time, but decided to follow his dream of owning his own business, and he leased the land and opened an ice cream parlor. Over the decades the business went from 95% ice cream sales to 95% hamburger sales. Smith has gained the reputation of an employer who cares about the well-being of his workers; he encourages them to stay in school, continue on in their education and he has financed over 100 automobiles for the young people he employs, saying, “These kids have to get started sometime. Nobody else is going to loan them enough money to buy a car - the bank won’t and their dad can’t.” He doesn’t charge interest and says he “has never lost a nickel on a loan.”
Perry Smith, owner and architect
c. 1950

301 North L St.
Home of Calvin S. Larrison, engineer Northern Pacific Railroad
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1894

307/309 North L St.
Apartments
Carrie Tenneson was the sister of prominent Tacoma Horticulturist Christian A. Tenneson. C.A. went into the nursery business soon after his arrival in the area in 1885. He would go on to become the secretary of the state board of horticulture, would help organize the Northwest Fruit Growers association in Spokane, and for 12 years would be the secretary-treasurer of the Pacific Coast Association of Nurserymen.
Carrie W. Tenneson, builder
c. 1890
411 North L St.
Home of Charles C. Darling, conductor, Northern Pacific Railroad
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1891

416 North L St.
Home of Thomas H. Manley, occupation unlisted
The structure is listed in permits as "...a one-story cottage...to cost $1,000."
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1904

417-417 1/2 North L St.
Elliot Hall Apartments
Mrs. D.P. Wheeler, builder
J.E. Reeder, contractor
1913

418-422 North L St.
Mandarin Apartments
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
Date of construction unknown

1112 North 5th St.
Home of John A. Rea, Real Estate, Loans & Insurance, V.P. Kellogg-Law Mortgage Co.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1906

1115 North 5th St.
Home of Oscar D. and Tillie K. Nethery, conductor, Northern Pacific Railroad
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1923

1118/1120 North 5th St.
House Apartments
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
Date of construction unknown

1121 North 5th St.
Home of W.H. and Vitalia A. Smith, advertising solicitor, TNT
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1925
516 North L St.
Home of James E. Bonnell, contractor
Bonnell was born in Nova Scotia, and came to Tacoma as a young man to start his own contracting firm. The company would go on to construct well-known Tacoma buildings such as, The Bank of California, the Annie Wright Seminary, W.R. Rust building, F.S. Harmon & Co. Building, and First Baptist and 6th Ave. Avenue Baptist churches. One of his earliest projects was the construction of Fort Seward, Alaska, which he completed with the help of the Cornell Brothers, also a prominent Tacoma firm.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1900

520 North L St.
Home of Carl A. Darmer, owner and architect
C. August Darmer was born in Stralsund, Germany in 1858, and attended Hoexter College and apprenticed for two years in the carpenter and building trade. Due to lingering weakness in an arm that had been broken, he was forced to leave his apprenticeship, he traveled for several years in England, Africa and Australia, and came in 1882 to San Francisco. He arrived in Tacoma in 1884 and took and position with architect William Farrell, where he remained for the next ten years. He formed his own firm, Darmer & Cutting, after that time. Darmer is considered one of Tacoma’s finest designers, responsible for such structures as First Presbyterian church, the former People’s Store, and the F.S. Harmon & Co. Building.
Darmer married Sophia Schulz, also from Germany, in 1885. They had one son and one daughter.
The Darmer residence had “...four rooms on first floor, part has hardwood floors, very fine built-in buffet and electrical fixtures, fireplace, concrete basement.”
An article relates a feud between Darmer and his neighbor, Karl Thompson, whose “...dog is at the bottom of the trouble, for, according to Mr. Darmer, the dog as an especial fondness for Mr. Darmer’s legs and on two occasions has partaken thereof.” Darmer secured a warrant charging Mr. Thompson “...with keeping a vicious dog and recites that on June 7, when Mr. Darmer was passing the Thompson residence, the dog sallied forth and bit Mr. Darmer severely on the leg, without cause or provocation whatever.” Thompson refused to tie up his dog and Darmer took the case to court.
Miller & Black, contractor
Style: Queen Anne/Italianate
1898

522 North L St.
Home of James J. Anderson, lawyer
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1899

1117 North 6th St.
Home of Delbert A. and Bessie M. Young, assistant cashier, National Bank of Tacoma
Delbert Young was born in Caro, Michigan in 1873, and came to Tacoma in 1889. He attended the State University of Washington, graduating in 1892. He became a collector for the National Bank of Commerce in 1897, and advanced steadily to assistant cashier.
Delbert married Bessie May Maguire in 1894, and they had two sons. Young was one of the five original members of the Rotary Club.
Frank Snyder, builder
1915
612 North L St.
Home of Mrs. Sophia Pritchard and Sample J. Pritchard
Sophia Pritchard was the widow of William H. Pritchard, and her son, Sample, served as a law clerk for Benjamin S. Grosscup, Attorney for the Northern Pacific Railroad.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1901

615 North L St.
Baywood Apartments
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
Date of construction unknown

616 North L St.
Home of J. Wilson Kennedy, solicitor Tacoma Gas & Electric Light Co.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1901

620 North L St.
Triplex
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1953

624 North L St.
Home of Reverend Arthur L. Hutchinson, pastor, Immanuel Presbyterian Church
An article describes the style of this home as “Colonial”, and goes on to say that it was constructed at a cost of $2,600, “...and is a two-story structure with an attic. There are nine rooms and bath.”
Russell & Heath, architects
P.W. Tonneson, builder
1902

1113 North 7th St.
Home of Vern J. and Amelia Hutchinson, sheet metal worker
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1922

1114 North 7th St.
Home of W.T. and Doris E. Davies, clerk, Standard Oil Company
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1915

1117 North 7th St.
Home of Dyson E. Swain, operator Puget Sound Electric Railway
Fred E. Tate, builder
1922
1123 North 9th St.
Home of Theodore Huggins, real estate
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1904

1124 North 9th St.
Home of Henry (Pete) F. and Maude K. Hunt, Principle, Stadium High School, assist. supt. Board of Education (1920)

Henry Hunt was born in Bloomingdale, Indiana in 1870. He attended Friends Bloomingdale Academy, Earlham College, and Indiana State University, the latter of which while he was teaching in country schools.

He was the principle of an Indiana High School for a few years, then followed his parents to Tacoma in 1902. Since there were no teaching or principle positions available, Hunt drove a truck for the West Coast Grocery company. After eight months he obtained an 8th grade teaching position at the Central School. He went on to serve as Stadium High School’s principle from 1912-1928 and then became assistant superintendent of Tacoma schools. When he passed away in 1937, one obituary stated that he was a “philosopher” and “humorist” and “student”, and “His was the rare ability to see two sides to every question”. Finally, it states, “Simplicity, kindness, optimism, sterling honesty- these were the outstanding traits of character of this kindest, gentlest, most understanding of men.”

Henry and Maude had two sons and two daughters.

Tuttle Bros., architects
William Casey, builder
W.M. Dawson, contractor
Style: Spanish Colonial
1906

1202 North 9th St.
Home of Charles A. Frederick, laborer, Clear Fir Lumber Co. (1930)
J. Vaughn & Son, builder
1919

1206 North 9th St.
Home of Guy C. and Ethel Morton, foreman, Wheeler-Osgood Co. (Manufacturers of “Laminex” Doors, Veneered Panels, & Lumber Products)
J. Vaughn & Son, builder
1919

1210 North 9th St.
Home of Edward A. Hatherton, architect, 7-10 Lawrence Block
c. 1892

902 North L St.
Home of H. Lundgren, occupation unlisted
The house was constructed at a cost of $3,500, and was listed as containing seven rooms, and “A handsome fireplace in the living room adds greatly to its comfort and attractiveness.”
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1909
721 North L St.
Home of Prof. William E. Blair, teacher Central School
The structure was estimated to cost $1,600.
S.L. Blair, contractor
Style: Cottage
1905

1118 North 8th St.
Home of Meriden S. Hill, deputy collector and examiner US Customs
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1905

1202 North 8th St.
Home of John and Catherine Fitzgerald, City Detective
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1907

1206 North 8th St.
Home of John and Catherine Fitzgerald, retired
John Fitzgerald came to Tacoma in 1887 and served for 22 years on the Tacoma Police Department.
He and his wife had one son and one daughter.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1918

1210 North 8th St.
Home of Michael J. Fitzgerald, salesman, son of John Fitzgerald (see above)
Youngberg, contractor
1915

801 North L St.
Home of Roswell G. Pettibone/John B. Seeley (son of Mrs. Pettibone)
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1891

802 North L St.
Home of Frank D. French, F.D. French & Co., Druggists, 1320 Pacific Ave.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1891

806 North L St.
Home of William Gaston, Christian Oelschlagel, J. Austin Wolbert
William Gaston was sec/treas. of the Tacoma Light & Water Company. Christian Oelschlagel was a
teacher of violin at Puget Sound University. J. Austin Wolbert was employed with Sternberg & Wolbert, Real
Estate and Loans, 512 Fidelity Building.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1891
905 North L St.
Home of Joshua M. and Alice M. Moore, deputy collector U.S. Internal Revenue (1923)
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1912

908 North L St.
Home of J.T. and Henrietta Braddock, Manager, The People’s Store
An article describes the newly completed home, “The interior finish is of slash-grain fir, selected woods being used throughout. The house has oak floors and, besides a hot air heating system, has a brick fireplace...It contains seven rooms and basement and cost $4,000.”
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1910

911 North L St.
Home of Thomas and Ethel C. Bennett, Jr., salesman, American Auto Co.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1918

912 North L St.
Home of Leonard J. Brown, Pres. and Manager, Tacoma Engraving Co.
Leonard Brown was born on a farm south of Olympia in 1873. His father taught in the first schoolhouse in Olympia, and when he was not teaching worked as an explorer for the government. He was one of the first white men to go into the Lake Chelan district. Leonard was taught by his father in the early years, attended Olympia Collegiate Institute and came to Tacoma in the early 1900’s to attend the Puget Sound University. He managed to work his way through school by selling illustrations he had drawn a studio he had created in his dorm room. For 18 years he made his living illustrating, then bought an interest in the Tacoma Engraving company.
As a boy, Brown had the distinction of serving as an office aid to the first governor of the state, Elisha P. Ferry. Ferry used to have Leonard sit down and listen while he practiced his speeches. Leonard married Myrtle Soule in 1907, and they had one daughter and one son.
The residence was constructed at a cost of $3,200, and it was designed with six rooms and a bath. The house featured a “Dutch kitchen” and an upstairs balcony.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1909

915 North L St.
Home of Paul and Leva Mae Michael, Michael Bros., Druggists, 1514-16 Jefferson Ave.
The house was estimated to cost $3,500.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1911
1208 North 10th St.
Home of Farlin B. and Josephine H. Nye, sec/assistant-treas., Consumers Central Heating Co.
Farlin Nye came to Tacoma in 1921, and took a position with Consumers Central Heating Co. upon his arrival. He and his wife had one daughter. Nye served on the board of the local council of Boy Scouts, chairman of the Educational Endowment fund of the Rotary Club, the Red Cross board. At the time of the article, 1946, he was running for a vacant position on the Tacoma School Board.
Josephine Nye was heavily involved in a local chapter of The Daughters of the American Revolution, having served as regent at one time.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1925

1209 North 10th St.
Home of Alfred F. Barnard, Bradney & Barnard (Oills, 1116 Pacific Ave.)
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1890

1001 North L St.
Daynor Apartments
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
Date of construction unknown

1002 North L St.
Home of Miss Amanda H. Forbes, teacher, Lincoln School
An article states that “Work is progressing rapidly on the handsome Swiss cottage of Miss Forbes, designed by Architects Russell & Babcock...at a cost of $2,000.”
Rollin S. Tuttle and Arnott Woodroofe, architects
George O’Flyng, contractor
1906

1005 North L St.
Home of J.A. Purrington, occupation unlisted
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1915

1009 North L St.
Home of Mrs. Clarence F. Griffin, Agent for All Magazines
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1912

1010 North L St.
Home of John J. and Anna J. Bateman, Bateman’s Furniture Auction Mart, 1309 Broadway
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
1927
1115 North 11th St.
Home of Robert D. and Rose Duff, architect, builder and contractor
Robert Duff came to Tacoma from Mapleton, North Dakota, but was born in Canada. He was a contractor in Tacoma for 36 years. He and his wife had six sons and one daughter.
1902

1118 North 11th St.
Home of Felix F. and Gladys I. Beckman, contractor
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1929

1123 North 11th St.
Home of George Wood, line foreman W & L Department
R.D. Duff, architect, builder and contractor
1902

1102 North L St.
Home of D. West, occupation unlisted
The seven-room house was begun in October of 1888 and completed in December 1888, for a cost of $1,000.
R.D. Duff, contractor
1888

1105 North L St.
Home of Marcus Nodine, Nodine & Rogers (Wholesale & Retail Butchers, 1530 Pacific Ave. and 1327 Tacoma Ave.)
The house was designed with seven rooms and cost $1,000 to construct.
R.D. Duff, architect and contractor
1889

1108 North L St.
Home of Mrs. Clara M. Huntley (widow of William M. Huntley), waitress
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
c. 1944

1109 North L St.
Apartment
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
Date of construction unknown

1111 North L St.
Apartments
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
Date of construction unknown
North Slope Historic Special Review District
"M" Street

1219 Division Ave.
Home of Thomas Hewitt (currently Short Stop Grocery), Thomas Hewitt & Co., prop. IXL Dairy.
The Benjamin Logan store and residence was renovated into a store in 1931.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1890

1303 Division Ave.
The Drury Apartments
Drury was born in Lincoln county, England in 1866. At 16, he arrived in the United States, having apprenticed as a tailor beginning at age 12. He settled for two years near Minneapolis to farm, then continued west to Tacoma. He started his own tailoring business, which grew to a point where he had opened additional shops in Seattle and Portland. In 1892 he married Nettie B. Rand, of Iowa. The Drury’s traveled 16 times across the Atlantic to buy stock for his stores. He toured the world, via Russia, and enjoyed telling stories from his travels. An article notes, “In one journey over the sea, they toured England and countries on the continent covering 5,550 miles with their motor car.” Drury served on the school board for six years, from 1902-1906, and helped to plan the renovation of the old hotel into Stadium high school.
Nettie Drury was very involved in the First Methodist church, a member of a local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Illema club and the Fine Arts Studio club.
Heath & Twichell, architects
Charles Drury, builder
J.C. Kelly, contractor
1909

1211 North 4th St.
Home of William R. And Anna N. Pease (reside beginning in 1920) Vance Shirt Company, Custom Shirt Makers, Butchers, Barbers & Waiter’s Aprons & Coats, 101 S. 9th.
Robert D. Bedolfe and Donald W. Morgan, builders
C. 1904

1212 North 4th St.
Home of George W. Anderson (a Sr. and Jr. are both listed at this residence). George jr. was employed at Neil & Anderson, book binders, 12th and A street.
Little is known of George William Anderson, however, a brief obituary indicating the time of his funeral appears in a September, 1938 addition of the Tacoma News Tribune.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1896

1215 North 4th St.
Home of Dr. John W. Bean, Surgeon @ 203 Provident Building
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1904
415 North M St.
Home of Joseph K. Dorr, of Beeman, Dorr & Lucas, Wholesale Butter, Eggs & Cheese
The residence was estimated to cost $2,500.
John Francis, architect and contractor
1890

417 North M St.
Home of William A. Stewart, chief deputy, County Auditor
The residence was estimated to cost $3,600. A Tacoma Daily Ledger article describes the house as having "...eight rooms, four above and four below. Each floor has an open fireplace..." The main floor was "...finished on the interior in mission style and the wood used is slash-grain fir, stained golden oak." Other notable features of the house were the "fuel-lift from the basement", a clothes chute, and a second floor bathroom which was "usually large". The residence was completed at a final cost of $5,500.
W.A. Stewart was born in Puyallup in 1867. He served as county auditor and deputy county auditor for several terms. Stewart died suddenly in 1920 while working at the county courthouse. He and his wife Elizabeth had two daughters, Margaret and Virginia.
S.L. Blair, architect and contractor
1906

418 North M St.
The Michele Apartments
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
Date of construction unknown

424 North M St.
Home of Anna H. Heath, principal Lincoln School
Also boarding here is Miss Ada E. Heath, a teacher.
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1892

1220 North 5th St.
Rowland attended Syracuse University where he obtained a bachelor and master’s degree in Philosophy. He was employed in the firm of M.F. Elliott, who was the general counsel for the Standard Oil Company. Rowland came west to Puyallup originally, moving to Tacoma in 1904. He married Annette E. Clark in Tacoma in 1898. Rowland was city attorney for several terms, and later prosecuting attorney of Pierce county.
L.G. Blair, architect and contractor
1906

1309 North 5th St.
Home of Frederick Alsbaugh, cashier Fawcett Bros., Seed Company
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
C. 1892
515 North M St.
   Home of Louis C. Rouser, owner and architect, later occupied by Pitzen family (of the Pitzen Glass Co.).
   The residence is described briefly as having eight rooms.
   Style: Queen Anne
   1892

516 North M St.
   Home of John and Josaphine Gallucci, vice-president/manager Paine & Gallucci, Inc., contractors (1919)
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1919

517 North M St.
   Home of Avery G. Sickels, Real Estate and Loans, California Building
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1892

1216 North 6th St.
   Park Manor Apartments
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   Date of construction unknown

1302 North 6th St.
   Home of Wesley B. and Martha A. Short, salesman @ R.B. Inc.
   Also residing here, at 1302 1/2, was Susie Matheson.
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1929

1305 North 6th St.
   Home of James E. and Lonore Murray, vice-president/Sales Manager @ Sweetland-Murray-Fisher, Inc., Investments
   Weller Bros., builder
   E.J. Bresemann, contractor
   1921

1309 North 6th St.
   Home of Emmet A. and Daisy Gragg, clerk @ City Department of Public Works, and Daisy is an organist.
   Daisy Gragg was born in Persia, Iowa, and attended Marysville, Mo. Conservatory of Music. She
   came to Tacoma during WWI while employed with the YWCA. Daisy utilized her talent as an organist to
   accompany silent films in local theaters, and serve as organist for her church. She also taught piano to
   hundreds of local children. She and her husband had one daughter and two sons.
   Weller Bros., builder
   E.J. Bresemann, contractor
   1921
620 North M St.
   Home of Henry J. and Elton T. Jackson, assistant auditor, Bank of California
   The residence is described as a “six-room English house” in a 1924 article.
   Little is known of Henry Jackson, except that he was a native Tacoma, and served as assistant
   manager of the Bank of California for 46 years. He was also involved with the Fidelity Trust Co. He and his
   wife, Elton, had two daughters.
   M.W.F. Wallace & Co., contractor
   1924

624 North M St.
   Home of Dewitt C. Jackson, ticket agent @ Northern Pacific Rail Road City office
   Dewitt Jackson is the father of Henry J. Jackson, described above.
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1900

625 North M St.
   Home of Wesley F. and Blodwyn Crawford, president Mutual Fruit Co., Inc.
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   1939

1213 North 7th St.
   Home of Silas and Mary E. Weber (1910), waiter Tacoma Hotel, president Weber Investment Co., 1122 Puget Sound
   Bank Building (1921).
   Research describes Silas Weber as “Tacoma’s most well-known African-American”.
   Comell Bros., contractor
   1903

1214 North 7th St.
   Home of Leo G. and Kathryn R. Feidler, Club Cigar Store, 1126 Pacific Ave.
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1926

1303 North 7th St.
   Home of Walter and Kath F. Clifford, chemical engineer
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1924

1309 North 7th St.
   Home of Benjamin S. and Mae L. Lunan, electrician
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1924
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<td>Home of John Roscoe, manager of Road House, “Steilacoom Road near Stock yards”. H.B. Simon, builder. c. 1884</td>
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<td>Home of Robert L. and Margaret E. Coble, Chief Engineer, Steamer F.H. Marvin Merchants Transportation. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. c. 1928</td>
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<td>Home of Fred H. and Mina Bennett, clerk @ Standard Oil Company. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. c. 1928</td>
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812 North M St.
   Home of Isaac A. Manning, Kandle, Young & Manning, 320 California Block, Loans and Insurance
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1890

814 North M St.
   Home of Ira A. and Cleo O. Hansen, mechanic @ American Automobile Co. (1923)
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1923

815 North M St.
   Home of Mrs. Caspara Hogan, widow Claus O. Hogan
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1947

817 North M St.
   Home of Aug C. and Nellie Carlson, millwright
       The residence was estimated to cost $3,500.
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   1925

818 North M St.
   Home of John P. Amy, secretary Fidelity Rent & Collections Co., 306 California Block
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1891

819 North M St.
   Home of Charles A. Call, Captain of the tug, St. Patrick
   R.D. Duff, architect and contractor
   R.W. Kay, builder
   1889

820 North M St.
   Home of Frederick A. Brown, attorney
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1890

822 North M St.
   Home of Allan J. Henderson, train dispatcher, assistant supervisor’s office @ Northern Pacific Railway
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1890
902 North M St.  
Home of Robert L. Hall, Fayette C. Lamb  
Robert Hall was a laborer with the Tacoma Lumber & Manufacturing Company and Fayette Lamb was a bookkeeper at the same.  
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown  
c. 1890

904 North M St.  
Home of Hans G. Bendixen, draughtsman  
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown  
c. 1890

908 North M St.  
Home of Neal F. and Orea K. Roberts, clerk at Roberts Bros., Grocers, Bakers, Vegetables, Fruits & Meats, 124 North I.  
Original architect, builder and contractor unknown  
c. 1938

909 North M St.  
Apartments (Name not listed)  
The structure was estimated to cost $5,000.  
Albert Miller, builder  
1911

910 North M St.  
Home of Thomas and Anna Gianelli, janitor at Meadowsweet Dairies, Inc.  
The residence was estimated to cost $3,000.  
S.A. Gagliardi, builder  
1929

914 North M St.  
Original occupant unknown, George W. and Eunice C. Miller (1935), vice-president Winthrop Motor Co.  
The residence was estimated to cost $3,500. An interesting fact is that the house was apparently the childhood home of actress Marjie Millar. A 1935 article pictures Marjie as a child, under the title, “Tacoma’s Own Shirley”, and she does bear a close likeness to Shirley Temple. Marjie won the look-alike contest, after competing with 200 other contestants. Her prize was a Harter dancing scholarship, and studio portraits. Growing up in Tacoma she was heavily involved in local theater productions, and then in 1950 moved to Hollywood to pursue modeling, radio and television. In 1954 she was starring with Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis in “Money From Home”, and with Shirley Booth in “About Mrs. Leslie”. Also that year she signed a three-year contract as “leading lady” for Ray Bolger in a series of television shows. She married John Florea, a movie and magazine photographer, in 1955. Millar’s career stalled in 1957 when injuries from a car accident caused her to be on crutches for two years. She divorced Florea during this time, and married in 1961 to Tacoma author Johni McCallum. She and McCallum also divorced, after which she married a fellow Stadium High School graduate, Charles Candoo. When she was 36 years old she died in a car accident.  
W.H. Corner, builder  
1924
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<td>Home of George H. Walker, carpenter. Style: Gothic. 1889</td>
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<td>1010</td>
<td>North M St.</td>
<td>Home of Briton J. and Agnes E. Potter, treasurer, Pacific Savings &amp; Loan Association. Also residing here is Mrs. A.C. Briterley. The residence was estimated to cost $2,200. H. J. Potter, builder. 1922</td>
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<td>1014</td>
<td>North M St.</td>
<td>Home of Frank E. Willard, bartender, S.J. Holland &amp; Co., wholesale and retail liquors, 1309 Railroad. Willard was also a conductor. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. c. 1890</td>
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<td>Home of Florence Renald, teacher. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. c. 1951</td>
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<td>Home of Samuel G. Landon, teacher @ Puget Sound University. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. c. 1890</td>
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<td>Home of Harvey N. Ott, teacher @ Puget Sound University. Original architect, builder and contractor unknown. c. 1890</td>
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1119 North M St.
   Home of Earl T. and Edythe A. Cook, Manager Pantages Theater
   C.T. Hubbard, builder
   1926

1121 North M St.
   Home of William Ives, solicitor
   Wheeler-Reese Lumber Co., builder
   1907

1123 North M St.
   Home of Willard J. Sweet, salesman L. Schoenfeld & Sons
   In 1934, the then resident of this address, a butcher by the name of Eric Mitchell, hung himself in the
   home, leaving a wife and two daughters.
   Wheeler-Reese Lumber Co., builder
   D.A. Hard, contractor
   1907

1127 North M St.
   Home of John A Kolilis, musician
   Kolilis was apparently a former member of the Harry James Band; James was married to Betty Grable.
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1963

1415 North Steele St.
   Home of Charles H. and Mabel S. McDonnell, carrier @ Post Office
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1920

1419 North Steele St.
   Home of Michael McDonnell, contractor
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   1906

1507 North Steele
   Home of Mrs. Myrtle A. Gellman, widow Carl, occupation unlisted
   Original architect, builder and contractor unknown
   c. 1955