



## The Face of Fillmore

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The Face of Fillmore's Main Street is undergoing a change that is obvious to drivers on Main Street. Between Center Street and First South, orange cones have been narrowing the traffic down to one lane each direction. The pavement on each side of the street has been cut, power lines laid, and the streets rapidly patched for traffic to use once more. Along the sides of the street, square sections of the sidewalk have been taken out to make way for the installation of the new light poles similar to the one on display on the lawn at the city library. The First Capitol Main Street Beautification Committee is excited to see the results of the planning and work they have given to this phase of the project. From here the construction crews will move north when this block is completed to do the block from Center Street to First North. Construction will continue as long as weather permits.



Work is also being done by the committee to secure grants to help with the further beautification of Main Street in the way of benches, planters and trees.

It is rewarding to those involved to see the project actually get underway.

## Autumn Comes To Fillmore

Autumn is without a doubt the most beautiful time of year in our little city. The ashes are brilliant gold and other trees are beginning to take on their fall colors, as well. Many residents have taken on the beauty of fall by decorating for Halloween or the harvest. On every street in town, colorful displays adorn yards, adding to the natural, colorful tones of the season.

Driving to work each morning, I pass the yard of Phil and Darlene Russell. It is truly a spooky spectacular. A graveyard filled with tombstones takes up the west side of the yard with an enormous spider web along the corner, looking like a scene from the movie "Arachnophobia". The front yard is filled with ghosts, ghouls and scary creatures of every sort. The



lighted display is delightful to see after dark. Mrs. Russell said it takes them weeks to complete, but is well worth the effort.

Just up the street there are already short, ghostly trick-or-treaters at the Lynn and Judy Fergus home. It is plain to see these are not real ghosts, but children arriving days early for the holiday, as you can see their levis and shoes under their ghostly costumes.

Take an afternoon or evening drive and look at the many faces of Fillmore's autumn season.