



The Face of Fillmore

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The face of Fillmore this week is about the home at 70 East Canyon Road, a companion home to the one next door where Reed Robison lives that was highlighted a few weeks ago.

Franklin Alonzo Robison began construction on this home in 1887. (Some accounts list the date of completion about 1900.) It was built for his third wife, Lois Thorpe Robison and their ten children. The oldest child was a girl followed by eight sons and then another daughter. Their home was built of stone and brick and was exactly like the one to the east which Franklin built for his second wife, except that Lois's home was only one story high compared with the two story home next door with dormer windows.

Herein lies a confession I have to make. I accidentally switched the early picture of the homes and the one in a previous article about the Reed Robison home was actually the one at 70 East Canyon Road. There are subtle differences in the pictures. Of course, the second story is one, but doesn't show up well in the pictures. The easily seen difference is in the posts along the front porch. Take a closer look at the pictures to see if you can match them up.

After Franklin's passing, the west home was owned by his son Culbert and his wife Clara. They raised a family of seven there; Tonia, Lois, Myra, Loren, Nola, Patsy and Lewis. Culbert was the sheriff here in Fillmore for some time. The home is now owned by his daughters Nola and Patsy. Although unoccupied, it still has that pioneer look and seems as though some of the Robison ancestors might be coming home at any minute.

