



The Face of Fillmore

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This week the Face of Fillmore spotlights the home at 190 West 100 North, which has known many owners since it's beginning before the turn of the 20th Century. It is currently owned by Todd and Cassie Robinson, whose grandmother Vickie Robinson lives just next door to the north.

Deeds to the property began with Joseph V. Robison, who as mayor at the time, held the deed to every property in town. In reading the old abstracts, it is interesting to note that the property was originally deeded to Mayor Robison by Ulysses S. Grant, President of the United States.

In 1871 the property was sold to Julia Merrill and then to James McMahon seven years later. It is thought that the home was built when the property was owned by Mr. McMahon, because the following owner, Abe Carling, who became the owner in 1897, added a basement and large room at the back of the existing two front rooms. It is possible that the entire structure was built by Abe Carling. At any rate, Abe Carling and his wife Mary Ann lived in the two front rooms and used the back room as a factory where he made cheese. The basement had only a dirt floor but contained an interesting metal self about four feet square that was suspended by wires from the floor joists. This shelf was used to store cheese in a cool location where mice could not get to it.



Following the Carling's, the home was purchased by Francis M. Kelly who was the grandfather of the Francis Kelly many residents of Fillmore will remember. Other owners for short periods of time included John A Peterson, George Veile, Mark and Edwin Bartholomew. Orson Holbrook and his wife Eva bought the home in 1916 and lived in it for several years and she was a resident there when this older picture was taken prior to the mid-1940's.

Eva Holbrook sold the home to Paul and Greta Stevens in 1947 and they raised their family of four children there. When they built their new home next door in 1980, the home was rented and eventually sold to Steve and Cindy Iverson. The Iverson's in turn built a new home a few blocks away and sold the home to Steve and Tina Roberts. It was also owned by Jeremy and Lisa Teeples and Darwin and Connie Gorrell, until its present owners moved in less than a year ago.

Through the years remodeling and other improvements have been made, but the original brick exterior is still visible and the historical flavor of the home remains in tact.

