

## *The Flour Mill*

The Krause Mill was built in 1907 by the three Krause brothers, Adam, William and Theodor. The flour mill commenced operation in 1908, but that fall, an early frost badly froze the wheat, resulting in poor quality flour and complaints from customers. The next year crops were good and so was business – the mill operated day and night. Farmers brought their wheat from miles around with sleighs and teams of horses. The entire village prospered. In 1915 an elevator was built, increasing the mill's capacity to 30,000 bushels. That same year the Krause Mill changed its name to Bruderheim Milling Company. The mill was destroyed by fire in 1927, resulting in a great loss to the village.



A busy day at the Krause Mill, 1908.