Armada Township

Excerpts from Bassett, Chapter XXXIX, p 287

The first settlement in Armada Township appears to have been by

H. C. Harbaugh, A. J. Fannell, Wm. Carr, R. Burney and Thomas Jeffry in 1873 John Mercer, J. H. Brown, Robert Miller and Oscar Hamilton in 1874

I. Lamb and J. F. Mackey in 1875

A. L. Armstrong in 1877

Wm. M. White, G. A. Roach and H. Zarrs in 1878

J. L. Abel, R. F. Simpson, F. B. Craps, A. F. Burt and H. T. West in 1879.

In the year 1881, Wm. Craven, a soldier in the Civil war and a native of North Carolina, purchased ten acres of land, built a sod house in which on a capital of \$9 he began the keeping of a store.

A post office had been established about three miles distant, a petition was circulated and the post office moved to that point, William Craven named postmaster, and the name of Armada given to the embryo commercial center.

When the K. and B. H. Railroad was built into the township the village was moved to the railroad and named Miller.

Miller was incorporated in the year 1890, with J. Millspaugh, M. O. Polter, A.B. Cherry, H. S. Pease and Dr. E. W. Northrup as its first board of village trustees.

The names of the present board of trustees [ca 1916] are: Dr. J. P. Norcross, chairman; J. W. Miller, A. E. Kappel, Ray Cox and J. M. Robinson; Ross Brown, village clerk.

The Freighter's Hotel was built in