On Wednesday last N. O. Haugen started from McHenry at 9:00 ;a. m. to attend the annual meeting of the Jessie State bank. He bowled along at a merry pace when he went into a nice muddy spot and stuck. · His call of distress brought a nearby farmer who for a consideration pulled him out. Once more he began to spurt and while enjoying the scenery he promptly found another one, only worse. This time took longer than before but a stout team did the trick and a third start was made. Three times and out failed however and he found his jinx was on the job. This time it was a valve that broke. repaired this and once again began to burn J. D.'s favorite product when trouble again began. His batteries all died on him so he phoned to McHenry for a new set, and in the meantime he had a good rest. After getting his batteries it was well towards the time for the meeting to begin and he had only gone four miles. From then on all speed limits were broken. He arrived at Rogney's Hardware and by the aid of some kerosene, soap, water and hard work he once more looked like an American citizen. Mr. Haugen says the auto business is good, his only complaint being that he can't get enough cars for the trade.