In his political affiliations Mr. Anderson is a republican and is ever deeply interested in the general welfare although he has never aspired to public office. His religious faith is that of the Lutheran church and he is otherwise interested in all matters which make for the moral and intellectual betterment of the people. He is a young man of agreeable manner, frank and open, and has therefore made many friends who esteem him highly.

## THEODORE SKOR.

One of the younger business men of Calmar, Theodore Skor conducts a highly successful automobile business and garage in that city, deriving gratifying financial returns from his enterprise. His birth occurred at Calmar on April 3, 1880, his parents being Andrew and Sarah Skor, natives of Norway. The father, upon coming to America, located at an early date near Algona, Iowa, later coming to Calmar and engaging in railroading, following that occupation during most of his life, passing away in 1895. The mother is still living and makes her home with the subject of this sketch.

Theodore Skor was reared under the parental roof and acquired his education in the schools of Calmar. Laying aside his text books, he learned the carpenter trade and followed that occupation until 1910, when in partnership with H. T. Sandager he erected a spacious and up-to-date garage and engaged in the automobile business. At present they are the only local firm handling Cadillac cars and do a large and satisfactory business along that line.

Mr. Skor gives his attention largely to his business, but still he has found time to make his public spirit effective as a member of the local town council. Politically he is a republican, and his religious faith is that of the Lutheran church. A young man with a future before him, Mr. Skor's success is a pleasant indication of his coming achievements, and shows that prosperity will be his. He has successfully embarked in a line which promises good results and today stands on the threshold of a career that will not only establish him in financial independence, but will prove an important factor in the further commercial expansion of Calmar and Winneshiek county.

## HERMAN J. BUSCH.

Herman J. Busch is widely and favorably known in commercial circles of Calmar as partner in the grocery business conducted under the name of The H. J. Giesen Company, in which he has been a partner since 1912. He is a native of Calmar, Winneshiek county, being born in September, 1876, and a son ofj Herman and Agnes (Holthaus) Busch, the father a native of Germany and the mother of Winneshiek county. The father came to America in 1869 and located in this county, purchasing a farm in Calmar township which he cleared and improved and has operated ever since with continuing success. He is