

Private George O. Hamlet, believed to be first Chatham man killed in battle.

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Private George O. Hamlet, son of Mr. R. L. Hamlet, was born at Mt. Pleasant, Chatham county, went to Durham from Bynum where he joined the U. S. Marine corps on April 2, 1917, and went to France with the first allotment of Gen. Pershing's men, and between June 1 and 18, 1918, was killed in battle. He was 18 years old when he joined the service. So far as The Record knows young Hamlet was the first man to be killed in battle from Chatham county. His sister, Miss Gertrude Hamlet, is now a resident of Pittsboro and is attending the high school here.

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