

# Private Dewey A. Gruhn Answers Last Roll Call

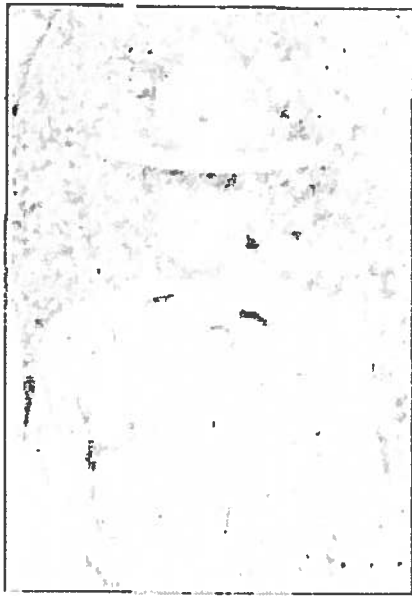
Gruhn, Dewey  
GH 12/13/1918

Poweshiek County's First Soldier  
Boy to Die in the Battle  
Line.

ENLISTED IN THE NAVY  
BEFORE WAR BROKE OUT

Was But a Mere Boy When His  
Life Was Offered Up for  
His Country.

Private Dewey A. Gruhn whose home was southeast of Malcom, was killed in action in France, June 14, 1918. Dewey was born July 18, 1906, at Malcom, and so lacked but a little more than a month of being 12 years old. He was a mere boy when he enlisted at Davenport in the navy, February 14, 1917. He was sent to Chicago and then to Port Royal, S. C.



PVT. DEWEY A. GRUHN.

After a short time there he was transferred to Paris Island, S. C. He was afterwards placed on guard duty sixty days at Washington, D. C.

His duties seem to have been varied for he was transferred to Quantico, Va., until he sailed for overseas in February, 1918.

He had been placed in the 124th Co., Second Replacement Battalion, M. C. He was killed June 14, and is buried in Cemetery No. 241.

His photo shows him to have been a really fellow. He gave his life for humanity.