

# BOY KILLED IN ACTION

**Tom Davidson, of Sutton, Received  
Message that Son, John, Gives  
Life for Country.**

Binford people received a shock Tuesday, when the news of the death of John Davidson reached here. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davidson, of Sutton, received an official telegram from Washington stating that their son was killed in action in France on October 4.

Johnny, as he was familiarly known in this community, was born in Valley City, but grew to manhood in Griggs county, having made his home in Cooperstown several years before moving to Sutton. He was not quite 20 years of age, his birthday falling on the 23rd of this month.

Last February he went to Chicago where he enlisted in the Marines, not waiting to be called. He was sent to Paris Island, S. C., where he received training as a sharpshooter, until in May, when he landed overseas the 12th.

Two weeks ago his parents received a letter dated Sept. 26, from their son, who was then recovering from wounds in a hospital. It must have been upon his return to the front soon after that he made the supreme sacrifice for his country.

Besides the parents, there are two brothers, one of them in the service, and seven sisters, who are sorrow stricken at this sad news, and the sympathy of the entire county goes out to the relatives in their bereavement.