

# American Legion, Chatham Post #36 records

## Descriptive Summary

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## Biographical/Historical Note

Chatham Post #36 of the American Legion received its charter on October 6, 1919, with Samuel A. Cann as the first commander.

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## Scope and Content Note

This collection contains eleven volumes which chronicle Chatham County's participation in World War 1. The bulk of this material was compiled by Post historian, Augusta Wood DuBose (1883-1962). In addition to containing rosters of white and black troops, these volumes contain transcriptions of soldier's letters home as well as accounts of local women's involvement in war relief work.

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## Index Terms

African American soldiers--Georgia.  
American Legion, Chatham Post #36, (Savannah, Ga.)  
American Legion. Auxiliary. Department of Georgia.  
Bonaventure Cemetery (Savannah, Ga.)  
Cathedral Cemetery (Savannah, Ga.)  
Genealogy--Georgia.  
Hillcrest Cemetery (Savannah, Ga.)  
Laurel Grove Cemetery (Savannah, Ga.)  
Maps (documents)  
Photographs.  
Rosters.  
Soldiers--Georgia.  
Veterans--Georgia--Chatham County.

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## Administrative Information

### Custodial History

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### Preferred Citation

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### Acquisition Information

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### Access Restrictions

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## Container List

### Volume

- 1-2        Maps of Auxiliary of Chatham Post #36, Savannah, Georgia  
              Indexed maps showing locations of WWI veterans graves for the following cemeteries:  
              Bonaventure, Cathedral, Hill Crest, Laurel Grove. Included also is some biographical  
              material.

### Volume

- 3            Roster of Men "White and Colored" who served from Chatham County  
              This list was compiled from state and national records. It provides names, company or  
              regiment, branch, and the date of when the individual was drafted or volunteered.

### Volume

- 4-7        World War Records for Chatham Unit, American Legion Auxiliary, Savannah Georgia  
              These volumes contain service and genealogical information. Volumes 6 and 7 are indexed.

### Volume

- 8            World War Records, Chatham County Letters From the Front  
              This collection contains an indexed compilation of transcribed letters of soldiers writing home  
              from overseas

### Volume

9 American Legion Auxiliary Records of War Relief Work in the World War, Indexed, 1917-1920

**Volume**

10 World War Records, Chatham County "Distinguished Heroes"  
Indexed volume containing biographical sketches (some photos) of individuals who received citations or decorations for their service during the war. Contains photographs of the following:  
Chapman, Charles Albert Clarke, Fred Wyly, Jr. Hunter, Frank O'Driscoll Wood, Raiford Wood, Jared Irwin Wiman, Amil

**Volume**

11 World War Record, Chatham County, "Our Honored Dead"  
Indexed compilation of Chatham County, Georgia service men who died as a result of the war. It contains service and genealogical material on those individuals as well.