BLACKS & US ARMY, 1865-1916

A Working Bibliography of MHI Sources

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GENERAL SOURCES


Representative uniforms shown. See pp. 4-5 on 10th Cavalry, 1896.

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Uniforms described & depicted.


Includes memoirs of wife, who discusses difficulties of white colonel's lady in Negro regiment.
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And On the Trail of the Buffalo Soldier II: New and Revised Biographies of African Americans in the U.S. Army, 1866-1917 (Lanham, MD: Scarecrow, 2004; E185.96.O582).


First black chaplain, RA, court-martialed and dismissed from service, 1894.


See Chap V.


Special issue "Buffalo Soldier."

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See Chap IV.

See also:

-Bibliographies the 9th & 10th Cavalry Regiments and 24th & 25th Infantry Regiments in Units and on Reconstruction.

WESTERN FRONTIER DUTY

Benteen, Frederick W. Papers. Arch.

Served as Captain in the 7th US Cavalry and Major in the 9th US Cavalry. His memoir letter reflects the attitude of a Southern regular officer toward Negro troops.


Isaiah Dorman, civilian interpreter, killed at Little Big Horn.


Popular, anecdotal piece.


Commanded black units during Civil War (Chap 3) and in West (Chaps 5-7). See index, too.


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See also:
- Bibliographies on Black Bicycle Corps in Vehicles; William R. Shafter in Biographies; and Papers of Charles Grierson, Arch.

38th & 39th US Colored Infantry, 1866-1869


Regimental monthly returns include lists of officers and enlisted men whose status changed during the particular month. Microfilm copies of returns for 38th & 39th are on reels #293-294 of NARA Microcopy No 665.


FIRST BLACKS AT US MILITARY ACADEMY


See pp. 445-46 on case of Cadet Whittaker.


Turbulent career of James Webster Smith of Columbia, SC.

-Henry O. Flipper (first Black USMA graduate, 1877)


See p. 55 for comment on social ostracism of his classmate Flipper.


**Nolan, Nicholas.** Personal order book. Papers. Arch. Captain, 10th Cavalry; his coverage in 1878-80, including a few orders in Lt Flipper’s hand.


**NOTE:** Review by Army Board for Correction of Military Records, Dec 1976, resulted in explanation & honorable discharge.
John H. Alexander (second Black USMA graduate, 1887)


   Obituary.

   1884, p. 17; 1885, p. 15; 1886, p. 14; 1887, pp. 24-25.

See also:
-Biography File (died 26 Mar 1894, Springfield, OH, at Wilberforce U as PMS&T)

Charles Young (third Black USMA graduate)


   Biographical article.


PHILIPPINE SERVICE

Cover his years of service with 9th Cavalry in Cuba and the Philippines, 1898-1901.

Response to an inquiry from Sen. John Tyler Morgan, routed through Secretary of War Root, concerning resettlement of Southern US blacks in the Philippines as farmers, after serving a few years as soldiers.


Godfrey Family Papers. Arch. 
Edward S. Godfrey commanded 9th Cavalry in the Philippines, 1901-1902.

Kline, a black American, was hanged for killing 3 Filipino boys.

BROWNSVILLE AFFAIR, 1906


Daniel, John W. The Power of the President Under the Articles of War--He Has the Right to Discharge a Soldier at any Time. Speech, Wash, DC, 1907. 35 p. UB323.A4.


Spoonер, John C. Dismissal of Three Companies of Twenty-Fifth Infantry: Speech of... Wash, DC: n.p., 1907. 52 p. UB323.A4.


U.S. President. Summary Discharge or Mustering Out of Regiments or Companies: Message from the President of the United States Transmitting a Report from the Secretary of War.... Senate Document No. 155, 59th Congress, 2nd session, 1907. several hundred pages. UB323.A4.1906a.


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MEXICAN BORDER & PUNITIVE EXPEDITION, 1916-1917


In Sep 1914 Brown assumed command of 10th Cavalry at Ft Huachuca.  From Oct to Dec, troops were under occasional fire at Naco, AZ.  In Nov 1915, the 10th patrolled the border between Douglas and Nogales during the struggle between Villa and Carranza forces.  Finally, in Mar 1916, Brown led the 10th into Mexico on the Punitive Expedition.  Several letters and clippings to his sisters cover these events.