

**Collection Title:** Black Military History Collection  
**Collection Number:** RG 22.25

**Abstract:** The Black Military History Collection consists of 1 cubic foot of records, sketches and photographs regarding the history of black soldiers who began serving in the U.S. military in the French and Indian Wars, as well as the Revolutionary War. This record group has specific information on the history of the Buffalo Soldiers of the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry. The 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> Cavalry came to the Presidio of Monterey in November 1902. The 425 black troopers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Squadron, 9<sup>th</sup> Cavalry under the command of Captain G.W. Read pitched their tents near the Chinese fishing village in Pacific Grove (near the present day Hopkins Marine Station). The 9<sup>th</sup> Cavalry were the first black soldiers stationed in California.

**Extent**

1 cubic foot (two .5 cubic feet boxes)

**Descriptive Summary**

**Title:** Black Military History Collection

**Dates:** 1866-1941

**Collection number:** RG 22.25

**Creator:** Various

**Collection Size:** 1 cubic foot

**Physical location:** Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center Archives

**Languages:** Languages represented in the collection: English

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**Acquisition and Custodial History**

The Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center Archives acquired the Black Military History Collection through various internal and external donations.

## **Folder List**

### RG 22.25A

- Folder 1 - Black soldiers in history
- Folder 2 - 9th Cavalry at the Presidio of Monterey, 1902-1904
- Folder 3 - Underground railroad
- Folder 4 - 9th Cavalry, Record of Events/Enlisted, Officers
- Folder 5 - 9th/10th U.S. Cavalry, Buffalo Soldiers
- Folder 6 - History, 9th Cavalry, Buffalo Soldiers
- Folder 7 - 9th/10th U.S. Cavalry, Buffalo Soldiers, Exhibit at former POM Museum

### RG 22.25B

- Folder 1 - Buffalo Soldier, color guard - mounted
- Folder 2 - Buffalo Soldier, helmet - full dress uniform
- Folder 3 - Buffalo Soldiers Historical Society
- Folder 4 - Buffalo Soldiers, medal of honor recipients
- Folder 5 - Buffalo Soldiers, photos/drawings by Remington
- Folder 6 - Buffalo Soldiers, sketches of rank insignia, enlisted, weapons
- Folder 7 - Cathay Williams, First Female Buffalo Soldier, 1866-1868
- Folder 8 - Black soldiers, Presidio of Monterey, 1941
- Folder 9 - William Campbell, first black pilot in combat - Monterey
- Folder 10 - COL Charles Denton Young
- Folder 11 - Military Morale: of Nations and Race by Charles Young, 1912