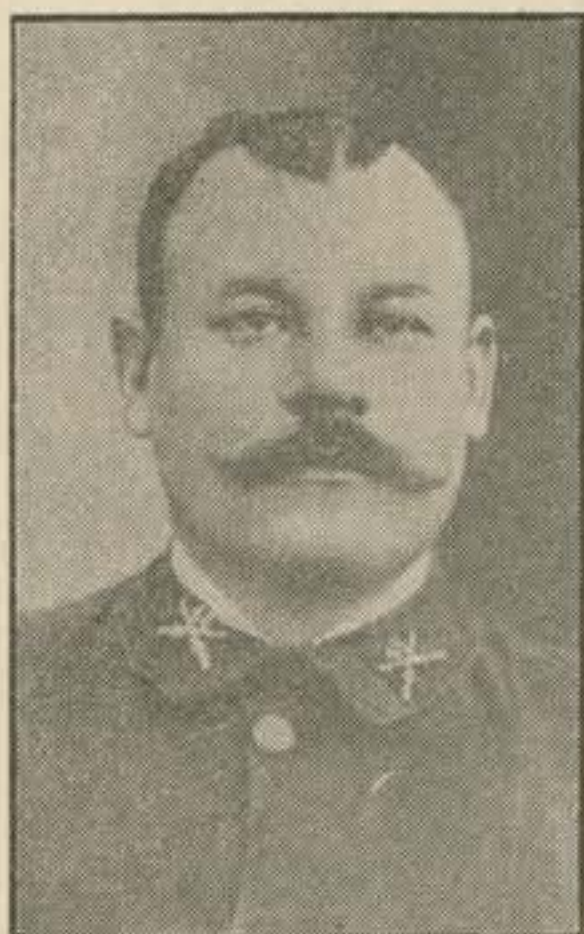


CAPTAIN AND MRS. JOHN BUCK

Tacoma, Washington



Captain John Buck (retired) was born in Hemstead, Texas, September 10, 1861. Enlisted in the United States Army November, 1880, at Fort Concho, Texas; assigned to 10th Cavalry, serving continuously in that regiment until March 26, 1908. On the above date he was placed on the retired list. He served in all grades, private, First Sergeant, Second Lieutenant, and Captain of Volunteers. The 10th Cavalry moved from Texas to Arizona in 1885, and was engaged in Indian wars from 1885 to 1887, through Arizona and New Mexico. Captain Buck served through this campaign until Geronimo and the last of his braves were captured. At that time he was a Sergeant of Troop F, 10th Cavalry. He was transferred to Troop B, 10th Cavalry, as a private soldier. The regiment moved from Arizona to Montana, where Troop B was stationed at Fort Custer from 1892 to 1897, removing to Fort Keogh, near Miles City, Montana. April, 1898, the regiment was ordered to Chickamauga Park, Georgia, and he was appointed First Sergeant, Troop B, 10th Cavalry, under the command of Captain James W. Watson. After a short stay the regiment was ordered to Tampa, Florida, where it embarked on the transport *Leona*, disembarked June 22, 1899, at Vacaris, Cuba. June 23rd the regiment marched all night to the rescue of Col. Roosevelt and his Rough Riders.

Troops A, B, E and I, 10th Cavalry, and four troops of the 1st Cavalry with eight troops of Rough Riders, numbering eight hundred and sixty-four men, entered the battle. They engaged in the battle of Las Guasimas, Cuba, June 24, 1898. The battle lasted three hours, with victory for the American troops. This is where Captain Buck commanded the greater part of Troop B, 10th Cavalry, as its First Sergeant, and won a commission as Second Lieutenant of volunteers.

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