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Fort McKavett 22nd U.S. Infantry Regiment

Headquarters May 1879 – November 1879

Company B May 1879 – January 1881

Company C May 1879 – January 1881

Company G May 1879 – January 1881

Company H May 1879 – November 1879

Company I
May 1879 – January 1881

Fort McKavett State Historic Site

Located on the western edge of the Texas Hill Country, Fort McKavett State Historic Site is one of the most complete Indian Wars army posts in Texas.

Several quarters and buildings have period furnishings and displays. The site was home to all four of the "Buffalo Soldier" regiments as well as several other cavalry, dragoons and infantry regiments. Fort McKavett was active from 1852–1859, then again from 1868–1883.

Fort McKavett and the 22nd U.S. Infantry

Fresh off campaigns in the Yellowstone region, including the Little Big Horn and Sioux wars, and then on to the Ute wars in Colorado, the 22nd Infantry was sent to Texas. They garrisoned several posts on both the Mexican Border and in West Texas performing the maintaining of posts, patrols, guard duties, road building and guarding the mail routes. Headquarters of the 22nd left first, followed by the companies two months later.



Lt. Col. Elwell S. Otis transferred to the 20th Infantry as their Colonel when he left Fort McKavett.



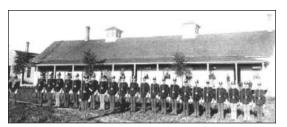
Col. David Sloan Stanley commanded the 22nd Infantry at Fort McKavett. He had been awarded the Medal of Honor during the Civil War and after leaving Fort McKavett was promoted to Commanding General of the Department of Texas.

FORT MCKAVETT AND THE 22ND U.S. INFANTRY





First sergeants of the 22nd Infantry receiving orders in camp.



22nd Infantry company on parade.



The patch of the 22nd Infantry was adopted years after Fort McKavett. Elements of the regiment still exist today.



22nd Infantry Coat of Arms



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