

## NINTH CAVALRY PLACED

NEGRO REGIMENT WILL BE USED  
FOR PATROL DUTY IN  
TEXAS.

Washington.—(Special.)—The flurry over the disposition of the Ninth cavalry is at an end. By order of Gen. Leonard Wood, chief of staff, the colored troops will take their turn at patrolling the Mexican border and will replace the Third cavalry, relieving the latter in order that it may have a chance to receive instructions in the maneuver camp at San Antonio. General Carter, in command of the maneuver division, will have charge of the distribution of the Ninth cavalry, and while Sam Fordyce, Laredo, Eagle Pass, Marathon, Presidio del Notre, Marfa, Harwick, Mahora and other points on the Rio Grande will be covered, it is expressly stated that under no circumstances will they be sent to Brownsville, of 25th Infantry fame. The Ninth will be the divisional cavalry of the maneuver division.

The war department will pay no serious attention to the howl raised by a few of the border towns, which do not want a Negro regiment "in their midst." Even the Washington Post has had the generosity to say that "it goes against the grain of a Texas white man to see a Negro in military uniform, manipulating a gun," adding sagely, that "it has the same effect upon them as the waving of a red flag in the face of a bull." The matter of placing the colored troops is always a delicate problem, north or south, and in this particular instance it is evident that the president and the war department are determined to do their level best to preserve the peace, maintain the dignity of the army establishment, and use the gallant Ninth according to the needs of the service, independent of the whims and absurd fears of the bourgeois along the Texan frontier. No one here believes that in stirring up this racial embroglio, Representative Garner has chosen "the better part."