The distinctive unit insignia was originally approved March 13, 1922. It was amended Dec. 6, 1923, to change the wording in the description and the method of wear. The insignia was redesignated March 19, 1951, for 510th Tank Battalion. The distinctive unit insignia was redesignated for 10th Cavalry May 12, 1959. Black and gold have long been used as the regimental colors. The buffalo has likewise been the emblem of the regiment for many years, having its origin in the term "buffalo soldiers" applied by the Indians to colored regiments. The distinctive unit insignia is worn in pairs.