

enlisted and commissioned grades up to Captain in the First Maryland Infantry, serving as Company Commander during the Border Service in 1916. He commanded K Company when the First Maryland was called for European war service, and was placed in command of K Company, 115th Infantry, when that Regiment was organized from the Maryland National Guard Brigade at Camp McClellan, Alabama, in October, 1917. He commanded K Company, 115th Infantry, during the period the Twenty-ninth Division held a sector of the line in Alsace, during which period he was twice cited by his Division Commander for gallantry in action, and twice decorated by the French with the Croix de Guerre. He received the Belgian Order of Leopold for leading the advance of a raiding party through the enemy wire on August 31st, 1918, and for being the last to leave the enemy trenches. He was promoted to the rank of Major and placed in command of the Second Battalion, 115th Infantry, November 2nd, 1918, and was discharged at Camp Meade, Maryland, as Major of that Battalion in June, 1918. He was elected Comptroller of the State of Maryland on November 4th, 1919.