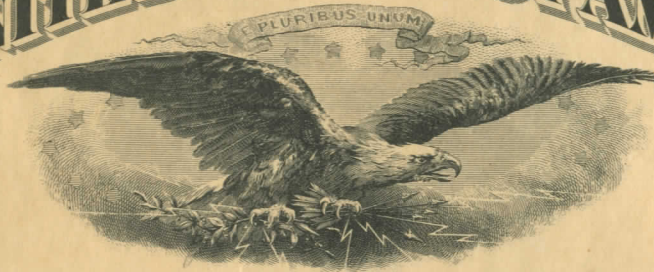


THE
PRESIDENT
OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



To all who shall see these presents, greeting:
Know Ye, that reposing special trust and confidence in the patriotism, valor, fidelity
and abilities of John Finch
I do appoint him Major, Cavalry in

The Army of the United States

such appointment to date from the twenty-fifth day of February
nineteen hundred and twenty-five. He is therefore carefully and diligently to
discharge the duty of the office to which he is appointed by doing and performing all
manner of things thereunto belonging.

He will enter upon active duty under this commission only when specifically
ordered to such active duty by competent authority.

And, I do strictly charge and require all Officers and Soldiers under his command
when he shall be employed on active duty, to be obedient to his orders as an officer of his
grade and position. And he is to observe and follow such orders and directions from time
to time, as he shall receive from me, or the future President of the United States of
America, or the General or other Superior Officers set over him, according to the rules
and discipline of War.

This commission evidences an appointment in the Army of the United States under
the provisions of sections 37 and 38 National Defense Act, as amended, and is to continue
in force during the continuance of the Federal recognition of the appointee as

Major, Cavalry, Colorado

National Guard and

during the pleasure of the President of the United States, for the time being, and is to
terminate automatically upon termination of the above stated Federal recognition.

Done at the City of Washington, this fourteenth day of April
in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, and of the
Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and forty-ninth.

By the President:

W. H. ...
Adjutant General.