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Office of the Adjutant General  
May 15 1864

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My dear Buck,

As you are going you will find  
your commission as 1st Lt. Adjutant of this  
regiment. I would very much like to see it  
to be the regiment as soon as possible. I will have to rely  
on you for all the reports &c. The thing is going very  
favorably on front here, as yet however we have gained  
no very great advantage in our immediate  
front. I think your details will be engaged  
again today. Come at us soon as you possibly  
can.

I remain as ever

Yours truly

Wm. M. Archer Jr.

Major



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May 15, 1864

My Dear Buck,

Accompanying you will find your commission as 1st Lt. and Adjutant of this regiment. Accept my congratulations. Come on to the regiment as soon as possible. Don't go to the rear if you can help it. I will have to rely on you for all the reports etc. The thing is going very favorably in front here, as yet however we have gained no very great advantage in our immediate front. I think quite likely we will be engaged again today. Come on as soon as you possibly can.

I remain as Ever  
Your Friend

A. McArthur Jr.

Major

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*Edward B. Brown Jr.  
Administrative Ass't  
MacArthur Memorial*

*[original in VIP FILE]*



24 JANUARY

1891

FROM:

ARTHUR

MACARTHUR

[DOUGLAS'

GRAND FATHER]



HOTEL INDIAN RIVER,  
BOUKLEDGE, FLA.

July 24. 1891

My dear Admiral  
& Mrs Walker

I would have answered Mrs Walker's kind letter of the 30<sup>th</sup> ult long ago but you know the old excuse, and life is too short to be apologizing all the time. especially as you have to make it out of whole cloth.

We left Washington on the 13<sup>th</sup> instant, and reached Jacksonville next day where we remained a week as we were so comfortable at the Hotel Windsor, which is really one of the most delightful hotels we ever stopped at. We left there on Wednesday for this place, and it is a delightful spot. A fine hotel, good accommodations and mild delicious air. Indeed it is an ideal place. The grounds are quite extensive, we look from our

windward upon the rich clusters of ~~organs~~ oranges, lemons, limes and other tropical fruits hanging from the branches, while the tall palm trees tower upwards above all the surrounding objects without a branch on their trunks, but wearing at the very top a green crown of spear shaped palm leaves dancing and swaying in the gentle breeze, or when the latter has died away standing like giant sentinels over the groves, the pine apples and the citrons. The Indian River, which is broader than the Henderson passes directly in front of the house, but it lacks the grand scenery of the latter. It is however a splendid sheet of water fed from the ocean and is therefore mostly salt water. Florida is a disappointing country with its sands and pine barrens, and I thought our visit would be a failure till we came to Rockledge



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HOTEL INDIAN RIVER,  
ROCKLEDGE, FLA.

and here I am charmed, and I doubt if there is another spot in the state can compare with it excepting perhaps St Augustine which by the way we will visit on our way north, and shall hope to see Mr Withamby there. I wish you would take it into your gifted hands to come down and join us at that place. I understand it is very attractive, we will remain here a couple of weeks, and hope at least to hear from you.

Mrs MacArthur I am sorry to say is still suffering much from sore eyes, and I am only slowly regaining my strength, but am undoubtedly making headway. As for publishing my book I have postponed all thoughts of it till I

return home. I shall keep the list  
of publishers you sent me, but I  
doubt very much if any of them  
will regard it as a good business  
investment. The Appletons offered  
to publish it if I would assume  
the expense, and I presume most  
any of them would make the same  
offer. I am greatly obliged with  
the delightful volume of poems  
by Mr. Stebbins you have presented  
and shall peruse them with much  
pleasure when I get back. I have  
been cut off in a great measure  
from reading by my illness. Your  
card for reception came in last  
evening. Many thanks for your  
kind remembrance. I trust you  
will enjoy them as much as your  
many friends. Mrs. MacArthur  
who is unable to write and is going  
at blind point in much love with  
I am as ever your affectionate  
friend Arthur MacArthur





1896 - 1897

APPARENTLY  
TRANSCRIPTIONS  
OF ORIGINAL  
DOCUMENTS

through local taxation can be... just want... done by...

## MACARTHUR ON UNDEFEATED TEAM



Associated Press Photo.

Here is the undefeated 1896 football team of West Texas Military Academy, on which Gen. Douglas MacArthur (foreground with numerals) played end. This picture was in the collection of Roscoe Piety of Gig Harbor, Wash., a classmate, who recalls that MacArthur was the key man of the team.

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WEST TEXAS MILITARY ACADEMY  
FOOTBALL TEAM  
1896

Key to photograph

*my Run*

R T	R E	C	F B	L G	L T	L E
Thomas	Reverend	Charles	William	Charles	Richard	Professor
Butler	Allan L.	Hewett.	Oury	William	Elliott	Edward
Pearson.	Burleson.	Ft. Sill,	Smith.	Cook.	Bolling.	Kingsley
	Rector.	Okla.	San Antonio,	Syracuse,	Edna,	Massee.
	*		Texas.	New York.	Texas.	
Richmond,						Clifton
Texas.						Comley
						Kinney.
						San Antonio,
						Texas.

Sub

Leon  
Chester  
Higby.  
Chihuahau,  
Mexico.

L H

William  
Charles  
Blardone.

Port Lavaca,  
Texas.

X

Q B

Douglas  
MacArthur.  
San Antonio,  
Texas.

Missing from photograph:  
John B. Schoeffel, Rochester, N. Y., R G \*  
Alexander McCook Barrett, Ft. Reno, Okla.  
Alternate L. E. \*

*\*deceased*

WEST TEXAS MILITARY ACADEMY  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.  
1896-1897

ORGANIZATIONS

ACADEMY COLORS,  
PURPLE AND GOLD.

ACADEMY FOOT BALL ELEVEN.

C. C. KINNEY	)	
A. McC. BARRETT)	. . . . .	Left End
R. E. BOLLING	. . . . .	Left Tackle
C. W. COOK	. . . . .	Left Guard
C. HEWETT	. . . . .	Centre Rush
J. B. SCHOEFFEL	. . . . .	Right Guard
T. B. PEARESON	. . . . .	Right Tackle
C. D. BURBANK	. . . . .	Right End
D. MACARTHUR	. . . . .	Quarter Back
O. G. BURKE	. . . . .	Right Half Back
C. W. BLARDONE	. . . . .	Left Half Back
W. O. SMITH, Captain	. . . . .	Full Back
E. E. BASSE	. . . . .	Substitute
L. HIGBY	. . . . .	Substitute

GAMES PLAYED - 2

Peacock's School . . . . .	0	W. T. M. A. . . . .	12
Peacock's School . . . . .	0	W. T. M. A. . . . .	6

ACADEMY BASE BALL NINE.

D. MACARTHUR, Manager	. . . . .	Short Stop
W. O. SMITH, Captain	. . . . .	1st Base
C. C. KINNEY	. . . . .	3rd Base
A. McC. BARRETT	. . . . .	2nd Base
C. HEWETT	. . . . .	Centre Field
L. BAKER	. . . . .	Catcher
O. G. BURKE	. . . . .	Pitcher
C. W. BLARDONE	. . . . .	Left Field
L. HIGBY	. . . . .	Right Field
J. CADE	. . . . .	Substitute
C. D. BURBANK	. . . . .	Substitute

GAMES PLAYED - 5

High School . . . . .	2	W. T. M. A. . . . .	12
Picked Team . . . . .	4	W. T. M. A. . . . .	6
Government Hill . . . . .	10	W. T. M. A. . . . .	11
Whites . . . . .	0	W. T. M. A. . . . .	9
Combined Public School Team . . . . .	7	W. T. M. A. . . . .	14

NOTE.

The Academy Eleven and the Academy Nine have each received but one defeat in the four years which have past since the Academy began.

ACADEMY ORCHESTRA.

CORP. E. K. GOODRICH	. . . . .	1st Violin
SERGT. E. E. BASSE	. . . . .	1st Violin
CADET CHAS. HEWETT	. . . . .	Cornet
CADET C. W. COOK	. . . . .	Flute
CADET W. HAUSSE	. . . . .	Clarinet
MR. J. W. LITTELL	. . . . .	2nd Violin
MR. J. K. HORTON	. . . . .	Accompanist

WEST TEXAS MILITARY ACADEMY  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

CLOSING EXERCISES AND SPEAKING CONTEST.  
JUNE 8, 1897.

PROGRAMME.

MARCH . . . . . Fitzgibbon  
ACADEMY ORCHESTRA.  
KERNAN'S CHARGE . . . . . George P. Lathrop  
CADET CHARLES HEWETT.  
VIOLIN SOLO - "SPRING SONG" . . . . . Mendelssohn  
SERGT. EDWARD BASSE.  
THE MURDER OF MR. WHITE . . . . . Daniel Webster  
CAPT. CLIFTON KINNEY.  
DRILL - MANUAL OF ARMS AND BAYONET EXERCISES . . . . . -  
CRACK SQUAD.  
WALTZ . . . . . Boettyer  
ACADEMY ORCHESTRA.  
CAPITAL PUNISHMENT . . . . . Victor Hugo  
CAPT. JEREMIAH WARD.  
TRIO - "STRING OF PEARLS" . . . . . -  
CORP. E. GOODRICH, SERGT. E. BASSE AND CADET C. COOK.  
THE CHARIOT RACE - FROM "BEN HUR" . . . . . Lew Wallace.  
CORP. GRANT MOORE.  
FLUTE SOLO - "OLD KENTUCKY HOME" . . . . . -  
CADET CHARLES COOK.  
THE FIGHT OF THE PRIVATEER "GEN. ARMSTRONG" . . . . . J. J. Roche  
SERGT. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR.  
DRILL - CALISTHENIC EVOLUTIONS AND SILENT MANUAL . . . . . -  
CRACK SQUAD.  
THE HEART OF OLD HICKORY . . . . . W. A. Dromgoole  
CADET DOUGLAS MUIR.  
MARCH - "THE PASHA'S GUARD" . . . . . Chadwick  
ACADEMY ORCHESTRA.

AWARD OF MEDALS AND HONORS.

JUDGES OF SPEAKING CONTEST.

PROF. E. SCHOCH, HON. C. W. OGBEN, HON. J. H. McLEARY.

WEST TEXAS MILITARY ACADEMY  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

HONORS

Awarded on June 8, 1897

ACADEMY MEDAL.

For the Highest Standing in the School in Scholarship and Deportment:

SERGT. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR, San Antonio, Texas.

Yearly Averages: '93-'94, 96.3; '94-'95, 95.15; '95-'96, 97.65; '96-'97, 97.33.

RECTOR'S MEDAL.

For Highest Standing in Scholarship and Deportment in the Regular Course:

CADET CHARLES HEWETT, Fort Sill, O. T.

Average, 90.01.

DARRAGH MEDAL.

For Highest Standing in Mathematics:

CADET BARRETT LITTELL, San Antonio, Texas.

Average, 96.39.

HUTCHESON MEDAL.

For Highest Standing in Latin:

CADET ARTHUR MUIR, San Antonio, Texas.

Average, 95.22.

LOCKWOOD GOLD MEDAL.

First Honor in Competitive Speaking Contest:

CADET DOUGLAS MUIR, San Antonio, Texas.

LOCKWOOD SILVER MEDAL.

Second Honor in Competitive Speaking Contest:

SERGT. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR, San Antonio, Texas.

DARRAGH SILVER MEDAL.

For Winner of Competitive Drill:

CADET LEON HIGBY, Chihuahua, Mexico.

INSPECTION MEDAL.

For Highest Average in Weekly Inspections:

CADET LEON HIGBY, Chihuahua, Mexico.

LOCKWOOD MEDAL.

For Highest Standing in Scholarship and Deportment in the Primary Department:

CADET ROBERT P. TOOMEY, San Antonio, Texas.

Average, 91.8.

HONORARY MENTION.

For Perfect Marks for the School Year in Deportment:

SERGT. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR, San Antonio, Texas.

CORP. EMMETTE K. GOODRICH, Brownsville, Texas.

CADET DOUGLAS MUIR, San Antonio, Texas.

CADET ARTHUR MUIR, San Antonio, Texas.

For Superior Excellence in Mathematics:

SERGT. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR, San Antonio, Texas.

Average, 99.07

Second in Scholarship and Deportment in the Regular Course:

CADET CLARENCE H. SHAMP, Jerome, Arizona.

Average, 88.97.

For Excellence in Scholarship and Deportment:

CADET ARTHUR MUIR, San Antonio, Texas.

CADET L. TWEEDY, Knickerbocker, Texas.

HONORS, Continued

HONORARY MENTION, Continued

Second in Standing in Latin:

SERGT. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR, San Antonio, Texas.  
Average, 94.54.

Second in Scholarship and Deportment in the Primary Department:

CADET W. FAHEY, San Antonio, Texas.  
Average, 89.8.