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Dear Mr. Acosta:

Thank you for your recent letter in which you request information about Arthur MacArthur, U. S. Naval Academy Class of 1896, for use in the record group that you are dedicating to him in the MacArthur Memorial.

The Naval Academy Archives is the repository for records of midshipmen and does not contain records relating to their careers in the Navy. The following is information obtained from our official records which may be of some use to you:

Born: 1 June 1876 in Norfolk, Virginia
Appointed from Milwaukee, Wisconsin by the Secretary of the Navy
Admitted: 1 September 1892
Hair and eyes: dark brown
Weight and Height at admission: 118½ pounds, 70½ inches
Father: Arthur MacArthur, Major, USA
Appointed: Assistant to the Superintendent and Secretary of the Academic Board 17 September 1906 (Lieutenant) and Assistant to the Commandant of Midshipmen 1907-09 (Lieutenant). Detached from Naval Academy 26 May 1909.

Enclosed is a photocopy of a photograph of Arthur MacArthur when he was a midshipman. If desired, a photograph can be made for your collection. The charge would be \$4.50, the check should be made out to the Treasurer of the United States but sent to me.

Enclosed also is a photocopy of a page in the 1896 Lucky Bag (Midshipmen's yearbook) containing an entry relating to Arthur MacArthur, a second page from the Lucky Bag on which his name is listed with the Cadet Officers and Petty Officers, a biography, a chronology of his duty stations taken from the Navy Register, and an obituary of his wife.