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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of microfilm copies of correspondence, orders, speeches, reports, newspaper clippings and other printed material relating to MacArthur’s work as military adviser to the Philippine Commonwealth during 1935-41. This collection contains materials relating to the creation of a Philippine Army, Philippine Defense, Philippine politics, and general correspondence with MacArthur’s contemporaries.

This collection is described at the document or case file level; each folder description contains many individual entries. Reels 1 and 2 contain documents within the MacArthur papers; some of these letters and telegrams are authenticated copies, and not originals.

Reel 3 contains photocopies of selected documents from the Official Military Personnel File of Douglas MacArthur, also known as a “201” file. The original documents currently are held by the National Archives and Records Administration at the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis, Missouri, but the documents contained in this microfilm were copied when the file was housed at the Washington National Record Center in Suitland, Maryland.

NOTE: W – Documents preceded by this letter were received by the General Douglas MacArthur Memorial Archives and Library via the estate of General Courtney Whitney.
CONTAINER LIST

Reel 1 1935-1937 (Pages 1-745)

Folder 1  Folder labeled MA to PC: Newspaper Clippings – Miscellany copies of the
Philippines Herald, January 19, 1937, Quezon calling his people for defense.

Evening Post and Mercury, March 13, 1945 (Shanghai), MacArthur on peace.

Shanghai Post and Mercury, March 13, 1940, Philippine Constitution “Renounces
war as an instrument of National Policy”.

independence for the Philippines may mean financial disaster.

Lewiston, Idaho, Morning Tribune, September 12, 1937, interview of General
MacArthur on the defense of the Philippines; need for strong Philippines for
defense and international peace; importance of airways expansion. The strategic
value of Luzon airfields.

Manila Daily Bulletin, October 13, 1937, United States attitudes toward rearming
the Philippines.

MacArthur and his work with the Philippine Army.


W “Peace and Defense”, editorial, The Tribune (Manila), June 1, 1937.

W Copy of news article dated April 30, (1937), on General MacArthur’s marriage to
Jean Marie Faircloth.

W “Field Marshal MacArthur’s Message” editorial, Philippines Herald, June1, 1937.

W “Demonstrated Soundness”, editorial, the Philippines Herald, July 1937.

W Clippings from the Philippines Herald, March 29, 1938, on MacArthur’s
commencement speech at University of the Philippines accepting an honorary
LLD

W Sheet from the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies, quoting from
a telegram from General MacArthur, dated September 15, 1940

Folder 2: Correspondence 1935
MacArthur on firepower – 1935. Telegram from Senator Sheppard, Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee, lauds MacArthur’s plan to issue semi-automatic rifles to the infantry.

MacArthur on mobility and mechanization.

Original directive to General MacArthur from War Department, September 18, 1935, detailing him as Military Advisor; widest latitude and also secret verbal instructions issued to him by the President of the U.S.; assignment for 7 years and “Probably much longer”; to be relieved as Chief of Staff, December 15, 1935.

Directive by War Department to Commander, Philippine Department, directing him to give “every possible help” for successful accomplishment of MacArthur mission, September 18, 1935.

MacArthur to Acting Secretary of War Woodring, October 2, 1935, with telegram of appreciation for commendation and thanks to the President and expression of admiration for the appointment of General Craig as new Chief of Staff.

MacArthur to General Malin Craig, telegram of October 2, 1935, congratulating his appointment as Chief of Staff.

MacArthur to President, telegram of October 2, 1935, expressing appreciation for his commendation.

Malin Craig to MacArthur, telegram of October 3, 1935, expressing thanks and offering support.

Secretary of War Dern to MacArthur, October 3, 1935, commendation, Signal Corps telegram.

Miscellaneous congratulatory wires.

Quezon cable of October 15, 1935, inviting MacArthur and family to dinner on night of arrival.

Houston Chamber of Commerce Resolution (original) of September 23, 1955, a commendation.

Quezon letter of December 31, 1935, to MacArthur regarding pay and allowances and quarters.


Memorandum of Agreement between MacArthur and Manuel Quezon; copy, effective October 1, 1935.

Draft of a speech by MacArthur on the 44th anniversary of an unstated Philippines, given in presence of President Quezon (1935).

Typed copies of press releases on General MacArthur.

Copy of Western Union telegram sent to Press Relation, War Department, concerning General Craig’s appointment to Chief of Staff; October 2, 1935.

Three anecdotes reflecting favorably of the General.


Copy of General Order 7, September 12, 1935, awarding General MacArthur a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster for his Distinguished Service Medal.

Copy of letter from Malin Craig to the Secretary of War on accepting the position of Chief of Staff.

Letter of W.A. McCain, September 26, 1935, commending the General for his work.

Letter of Frank L. Winn, September 29, 1935, expressing best wishes to the General in his new assignment.

Special Order 233, October 2, 1935, relieving MacArthur as Chief of Staff and appointing Malin Craig; officially sealed.

Letter from Miguel Enriquez, October 5, 1935, welcoming and congratulating the General.

Copies of unidentified speeches; one, apparently, to the Military Academy.

Folder 3: Correspondence 1936

MacArthur’s Report on National Defense for the Philippines to President Quezon, April 27, 1936, including a history of Far Eastern civilization, 10-year plan to develop the Army included a detailed organization.
Copy of letter from MacArthur to Frederick H. Payne, October 4, 1936, on U.S. Pacific strategy policy

Letter from John C. O’Laughlin, publisher, Army Navy Journal, August 7, 1936, re: State Department’s reaction to General MacArthur’s statements and attitudes on Philippine defense

Original of MacArthur’s oath of office as Military Advisor to the Philippine Commonwealth

Folder 4: Correspondence, January – June 1937

Miscellaneous letters of appreciation and congratulations on MacArthur’s marriage

Secretary of War Woodring congratulating MacArthur on his marriage, May 26, 1937

Japanese landing at Camanga Island, northwest of Lálongason, May 28, 1937, small group with one Japanese boat with 50 man crew

Japanese in Davao in 1937; report dated April 29, by BGEN Vicente Lim to Chief of Staff; Lt. Col. D. D. Eisenhower to MGEn Lucius R. Holbrook forwarding the report. Japanese settlements in Davao appear to be taking over by settlement; peaceful penetration means Japanese have chosen Mindanao

Japanese – the problem in Mindanao; subsidizing Davao settlements

Shinto churches, Mindanao, 1937

MacArthur, attempts to recall in 1937; see Larry Lehrbas’ letter of June 14, 1937

Copy of Letter, June 18, 1937, to Manuel Quezon, with enclosure of press interview MacArthur held on his return to the Philippines; most questions concerned Quezon’s reception in U.S. and U.S. plans for the Philippines

Undated speech given on Freemasonry to Freemasons and their guests, re: new Masonic temple

Folder 5: Correspondence July – September 1937

MacArthur’s request to retire from active service, September 1937, effective December 31, 1937.
Copies and originals of letters from Frederick C. Howe to various individuals (Secretary of Agriculture Wallace; Mrs. E. Roosevelt, etc.) concerning the U.S. presence in the Philippines

W Speech delivered by General MacArthur on August 5, 1937: “Morality, The Basis of Masonry”

Statement by General MacArthur re: his retirement

Folder 6: Ord – Eisenhower Correspondence 1937

Eisenhower/Ord letters concerning equipment for the Philippine Army, including building or otherwise acquiring material for the Philippines

LCOL Ord to Eisenhower, personal handwritten letter, August 10, 1937, giving considerable detail War Department views on arming the Philippines; names are named and attitudes spelled out

Folder 7: Correspondence October 1937

Many letters expressing regret at the General’s retirement effective December 3, 1937; most from Army colleagues

Letters from American Legion

Letter from Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Leahy

Letter from the editor Army Navy Journal

Invitation to go on a paid speaking tour

Folder 8: Correspondence November 1937

Series of letters from P.W. Reeves, seeking employment in Manila, also includes information on Washington politics

An offer to write the General’s memoirs from Doubleday, Doran

Letter from COL Love, in Baquio

Resolution thanking MacArthur for organizing the Philippine Army and the National Defense of the Philippines
Folder 9: Correspondence December 1937

Letters from North American Newspaper Alliance, December 2, 1937, expressing regret the General will not write a series of articles

Letter of Gertrude Algase, December 13, 1937 and other dates, regretting the General would not agree to serialize his memoirs-autobiography

Various letters of regret or congratulations upon learning of the General’s retirement

Four page release answering a question by editor of *Pacis* on the condition of the Philippine Army

Four page release, no date, in answer to a letter of General Alejandrino who had severely criticized the Philippine defense posture and steps being taken to cure it

Folder 10: Correspondence January – February 1938

Letters of regret MacArthur is retiring from the Army

General G. Van Horn Moseley concerned about the Japanese and boycott; the inadequacy of the Navy

Letter of Romulo, January 1, 1938, expressing delight that the General will stay in the Philippines

Request to write articles for the Saturday Evening Post

Article by Ford Wilkins for the *New York Times*, concerning the Japanese fortification of the islands east of Formosa, asking MacArthur to sponsor the article

Correspondence with Nelson Carver re: Presidential nomination; Malin Craig’s letter recalling MacArthur’s service accomplishments; a letter Butler Hine recalling the days of the Rainbow Division in France

Folder 11: Correspondence March 1938

Doctor of Laws conferred on MacArthur by University of the Philippines at commencement, March 29, 1938. Includes Program of commencement and letters of congratulations for speech
University of the Philippines Year Book, *Philippensian* 1938, dedicated To Field Marshal MacArthur

Scottish Free Masonry, laying foundation stone at Grand Lodge, March 26, 1938, Manila

Letter dated March 26, 1938, from Manuel Quezon congratulating MacArthur on his honorary degree from the University of Philippines

**Reel 2 1937 – 1941 (pages 1-827)**

*Folder 1 Correspondence April – June 1938*

Letter from MacArthur and The Adjutant General’s response concerning the recording of the honorary degree in MacArthur’s service record in the Army Register, April 5, 1938

American Legion membership card, Post no. 23, Milwaukee

Letter from M. Farolan, June 27, 1938, requesting permission to print in total, a report by MacArthur on Philippine defense and MacArthur’s response

Exchange of messages on the Purple Heart which General MacArthur had reestablished during his Chief of Staff tour

*Folder 2: Correspondence July – September 1938*

Letter from Eisenhower, September 30, 1938, from Denver, giving a report on his activities

Letter of General Van Horn Moseley, September 26, 1938, telling MacArthur he was retiring shortly and giving a rundown on world situation

Letter from Mrs. Ethel McCord asking MacArthur to verify her husband’s wounds in World War I

Letter from Citizens Committee, July 22, 1938, suggesting that MacArthur be nominated on Republican ticket for President for 1940 election

Letter from John C. O’Laughlin, publisher of Army Navy Journal, July 5, 1938, enclosing copies of several other letters:

a. to John Pershing giving him a weekly rundown of political and national events

b. to President Quezon asking his support on the 75th anniversary issue of the Journal

c. from Franklin Roosevelt congratulating O’Laughlin on his Journal
Letter exchange with Major Willoughby, concerning the possibility of Willoughby joining MacArthur’s staff

Folder 3: Correspondence October 1938

Copy of letter of October 18, 1938, from MacArthur as Military Advisor to the Commonwealth President disputing an order by the Department Commander which apparently infringed on the autonomous powers of the Commonwealth. Reference is made to a letter of October 3, 1938, addressed to President Quezon

Folder 4: Correspondence November – December 1938

Scottish Rite Temple, Manila, November 19, 1938; [MacArthur must have made a speech at the inauguration of the new temple]

Military publishing letter and other miscellany

Folder 5: Correspondence January 1939

Birthday congratulations

Resolution expressing appreciation for Arthur MacArthur to Douglas MacArthur

Folder 6: Correspondence February 1939

Birthday Congratulations

Folder 7: Correspondence March 1939

Letter of Major W.C. Dunckel, March 21, 1939, accepting MacArthur’s offer to serve under him in the Philippines

Folder 8: Correspondence April 1939

Letter of Malin Craig agreeing to transfer Dunckel to Manila

Exchange of letters with Ralph Connor of the U.S. Olympic Committee on the inscription over the entrance to the gym at West Point
Folder 9: Correspondence May 1939

Letter from Philippine President thanking MacArthur for his note of affection


Letters of congratulations or admiration

Folder 10: Correspondence June 1939

Letter from Secretary to Congressman John Anderson of California, June 23, 1939, defending President Quezon from critical comments in the press which he claims are unfounded

Letter exchange with Bonner Fellers on War Plan Orange and on instruction at the War College

Folders 11-16 Correspondence July-December 1939

Personal letters: offers to serve under MacArthur, requests for assistance for promotions and etc.

Request by MacArthur that Philippines start making sandbags for defense usage

Letter exchange with t. Col. Beukema on the educational philosophy and function of West Point

Folder 17: Correspondence 1939

Letter “Sunday Morning” (1939) from Willoughby to MacArthur; apparently Willoughby was writing a column in the Army Navy Journal

Press release from the Office of Military Advisor giving MacArthur’s views of war and war in Europe in particular

Folder 18: Correspondence January 1940

Letter from Courtney Whitney, Commander American Legion, Philippine Department, January 26, 1940, wishing him a Happy Birthday
MacArthur’s speech from the Philippines to New York City via NBC, January 24, 1940, on the occasion of the fighting 69 banquet and movie premier

Folder 19: Correspondence February 1940

Apparent editorial *The Philippine Herald*, February 10, 1941, “Philippine Quislings”, concerning the defense role of the Philippines

Letters of congratulations on MacArthur’s Rainbow Division Speech

Letter of Representative James H. Fay, 16th District, New York, February 7, 1940, congratulating MacArthur on his Rainbow Division Speech, enclosing copies

Folder 20: Correspondence March 1940

Letter of E. F. Neagle, March 7, 1949, re Rainbow Division veterans

Letter of Brig Gen. G.W. McIver, USA (ret), March 27, 1940, enclosing his booklet on the history of the Musketry School at Monterey, California

Letter of Brig Gen. A.E. Anderson, February 19, 1940 and MacArthur’s reply, re: his Rainbow Division Speech

Letter of S. Wyatt-Smith, British Consul General, February 27, 1940 and the General’s reply, re: the 1931-1932 Manchuria question

Folder 21: Correspondence April 1940


Letter of thanks from Francis B. Sayre, April 8, 1940

Folder 22: Correspondence May 1940

Letter from Maury Maverick, Mayor of San Antonio, May 23, 1940

Letter of Ruby D. Garrett, May 20, 1940, re: annual reunion of certain Rainbow Division personnel
Brief congratulatory statement, May 15, 1940, to a graduating class of the School for Reserve Commission (Philippines)


Folder 23: Correspondence June 1940

Brief statement (June 1940?) to a group of ROTC cadets

Letter of S.H. Hunsicker, June 28, 1940, inviting MacArthur to speak to local chapter of National Sojourners

Letter of Brig. Gen C. B. Hodges, June 5, 1940, of appreciation to MacArthur

Letter of Brig. Gen Jacob L. Devers, June 7, 1940, of appreciation to MacArthur

Folder 24: Correspondence July 1940

Copy of memo from MacArthur (July 1940?) to President Quezon, re: sending Col. Sutherland to U.S. to increase Philippine War Reserve

Letter of Mary McCalla MacArthur, July 10, 1940, forwarding an editorial from the *Times-Herald* of same date on the D.C. National Guard and some family news

Letter of Bonner Fellers, July 25, 1940, enclosing a news clipping on Quezon’s attitude to the Philippine Army and Fellers’ reaction

Folder 25: Correspondence August 1940

Statement, drafted from notes, evening August 2 (1940) concerning support of a Philippine Army using a system similar to the U.S. National Guard

Copy of memo for the Board of Parole, Federal Penitentiaries, August 16, 1940, wherein MacArthur asked parole for Felipe Buencamino

Copy of letter from President Quezon, August 26, 1940, to Secretary of National Defense Tofilo Sison, giving Quezon’s policy on length of duty tours in the PA General Staff and in rotating personnel between the PA and the PC

Galley proof of *Who’s Who in the Philippines* article on Douglas MacArthur, submitted for the General’s approval
Folder 26: Correspondence September 1940

Notes dated September 9, 1940, for a conference with President Quezon; the need of civilian defense planning is serious and must be coordinated with the military

Copies of “Too late” statement, by MacArthur, to William Allen White in support of the latter’s committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies and subsequent congratulatory notes to the General from: George W. Burton, September 19, 1940; editorial, The State, Colombia, South Carolina, September 19, 1940; General O’Ryan, September 17, 1940; Helen Greenwall, September 16, 1940; Jimmy Love, September 18, 1940; G. Willoquet, consul de France, September 18, 1940 and Ada Taylor, September 25, 1940

Folder 27: Correspondence October 1940

Letter of George H. Fairchild, October 1, 1940, congratulating on “Too late” statement for W.A.White

Copy of proposed radio message from Quezon to President Roosevelt, October 4, 1940; proposal to use sugar excise tax funds for Philippine defense

Copies of exchange of letters and memos between Maj. Gen. Grunert, Jorge Vargas and President Quezon, re: planning for defense of the Philippines, especially in quasi-military and civil fields, (hospitals, sabotage, transport, sanitation construction and et al) 16, 17, 21 of September and October 12, 1940

Letter of George Caldwell, October 29, 1940, offering PA use of a camp in Pangasinan Province

Letter of Major Hugh S. Casey, October 25, 1940 of thanks and appreciation

Letter of Brig. Gen. Walter K. Wilson, October 31, 1940 of thanks and appreciation

Letter of William S. Nevins, October 15, 1940 and the General’s reply, October 31, 1940, re: Rainbow division Veterans matters

Folder 28: Correspondence November 1940

Letter of John C. H. Lee, November 4, 1940 of thanks

Letter of James Love, November 5, 1940, of praise for the General
Folder 29: Correspondence December 1940

Letter of Cyril E. Shelby, November 22, 1940 and the General’s reply, December 3, 1940, re: the Pedersen Semi-automatic rifle and MacArthur as Chief of Staff

Letter of J.G. Latham, December 6, 1940, thanks

Letter of LCOL W.F. Marquat, December 8, 1940, personal activities in Zone of the Interior planning and training

Letter of F.H. Payne, December 9, 1940 about personal affairs and war preparations in Washington D.C. and elsewhere

Copy of letter of D.D. Eisenhower, December 11, 1940, personal notes, plus comments on reorganization of forces in the Zone of the Interior

Letter of A.T. Earnshaw, December 17, 1940, re: the “Too late” statement

Letter of Raf. R. Alunan, December 17, 1940, of thanks

Letter and card of _____Ford, December 19, 1940, personal news

Letter of Sgt. Tranquilino T. Tabanag, December 21, 1940, season’s greetings and appreciation

Letter of Buencamino family and friends, December 27, 1940

Christmas greetings from Charles R. Howland, _____Herron and William H. Rankin

Letter of Lt. Col. C.H. Gerhardt, December 30, 1940, personal news and appreciation for “Too late” statement

Copy of statement, “Cracker box Strategists”

Letter of Veteran Boxer Association of Illinois, with by laws, no date

Folder 30: Correspondence January 1941

Tickler sheet for classified message on results, B-17 missions

Letter of G. Willoquet, December 30, 1940 and Mac Arthur’s reply, January 6, 1941; former had joined de Gaulle’s camp

Tickler sheet for several classified messages on: a. AA ammo; b. General Wavell
Letter of G. Willoquet, January 9, 1941 and Mac Arthur’s reply, January 10, granting permission to former to publish a letter of MacArthur’s

Telegram from Mayor Delgado of Cebu City, January 11, 1941, and MacArthur’s letter reply of the same giving regrets

Letter from Adviser’s staff, January 26, 1941, giving birthday greetings

Letter from Adviser’s staff, January 26, 1941, giving birthday greetings

Message from Davis, same date, same subject

Letter from F. Theodore Rogers, January 27, 1941, concerning an unnamed Philippine (defense?) proposal

Letter of Captain H.V. Gunaman, January 28, 1941, birthday greetings

Cable from Henry Breckinridge, January 16, 1941, MacArthur’s cable reply and final letter from Breckinridge, January 30, 1941, on using “Too late” statement in a book

Folder 31: Correspondence February 1941

Letter of J.M. Elizalde, February 6, 1941, to General Vicente Lim, enclosing a February 10 issue of Time article on the defensibility of the Philippines

Letter from John Callan O’Laughlin, February 18, 1941, some comments about Catlett Marshall

Exchange of letters:
a. J.M. Elizalde, February 6, 1941, forwarding Time article to MacArthur
b. copy of letter from Elizalde to President Quezon, February 10, discussing means of getting aid to the Philippine Army thru Lend Lease and enclosing copies of the bills before Congress
c. letter from Elizalde, February 13, to the General forwarding him the Quezon letter
d. MacArthur’s reply to Elizalde, February 25, 1941

Folder 32: Correspondence March 1941

Copy of partial memo or letter from General Grunert, March 30/31, 1941 to MacArthur and a draft reply
Folder 33: Correspondence April 1941

Letter from John J. Renfroe, April 2, 1941, asking the General to recommend his son for a West Point appointment, photo of son enclosed

Letter from Basil B. Elmer, April 2, 1941, asking for the name of the General’s photographer

Letter from Lt. Col. C.H. Gerhardt, April 4, 1941, forwarding a *Times-Herald* editorial (not included)

Letter from Woodson W. Bercaw, March 28, 1941 and MacArthur’s reply of April 9, 1941, in which the latter recommends Bercaw’s being called to active service

Copies of letter exchange with General George C. Marshall:
a. from MacArthur to Marshall March 27, 1941
b. from Marshall, April 14, 1941
all concerning the recall to active duty of retired Regular Army officers in a grade lower than their grade on the retired list

Copy of letter from Stephen Early, April 14, 1941, re: MacArthur’s letter offer to Franklin Roosevelt of his services

Copy of letter from MGEN Edwin Watson, April 15, 1941 and MacArthur’s reply of April 24th; Franklin Roosevelt intends to use MacArthur in a military capacity

Letter from J.M. Elizalde, April 26, 1941, forwarding an article about the Filipinos by Damon Runyan and discussing his work in Washington

Copy of letter to Vice President Sergio Osmena, April 26, 1941, expressing condolences on death of his mother

Letter from Enrique de los Reyes, April 28, 1941, inviting the General to be a sponsor at a Philippine Independent Church affair

Letter of F.A. Delgado, April 30, 1941, regretting MacArthur’s possible departure from the Philippines

Copies and originals of letter exchange between the Military Advisor and various segments of the War Department concerning procurement and installation (map showing locations enclosed) of 12 inch and 155mm guns and 60 inch search lights; correspondence commenced February 1, 1941 and ended with Lt. Col. Sutherland’s endorsement of April 30, 1941, that the railway cars for 8 inch guns would not be required
Folder 34: Correspondence May 1941

Copy of a memo from General MacArthur, May 2, 1941, to the Secretary to the President, with a map of the Philippine Army strategic dispositions and defenses

Message from MacArthur, May 13, 1941, to of ROTC cadets at Camp Murphy

Letter from Alice Colburn, Army Nurse Corps, May 27, 1941, asking for a General’s star for her collection of insignia

Folder 35: Correspondence June 1941

Letter from Benito Mallari, United States Spanish War Veterans, June 1, 1941, recommending Estanislao Bernal Roman for the Philippine Military Academy

Letter from Walter Wilson, June 3, 1941, giving thanks

Letter from William S. Nevins, June 2, 1941, with MacArthur’s reply praising the Rainbow Division

Copy of letter from G.C. Marshall, June 20, 1941, advising MacArthur of the War Department’s plans for the Philippine Army and for MacArthur

Folder 36: Correspondence July 1941

Letter from W.S. Nevins, July 9, 1941, re: Rainbow Division Veterans

Letter of Walter Robb, July 11, 1941, thank you note

Cable from William S. Nevins, July 15, 1941, with good wishes from Rainbows

Copy of letter from G.C. Marshall, July 26, 1941, ordering MacArthur to active duty as Major General

Copy of address by the General, (summer 1941), to a group of Filipinos, thanking them for a resolution re: the defense of the Philippines, they had recently presented to him

Folder 37: Correspondence 1941 material [date questionable]
Copy of Suggested Press Releases by President Quezon making clear that the United States defense of Philippines is assured

Draft copy and copy of actual speech by MacArthur concerning mutual US/Philippine economic and defense interests even after Independence in 1946

Undated interrogatory with General Macarthur’s responses, by Amadeo R. Dacana, Ramon Roxas, publishers, re: Philippine defense

Folder 38: Correspondence, Journals June 1940

Memo from Major Marquat, June 8, 1941, forwarding to Colonel Marshall, for General MacArthur’s review, the Philippine Army’s training plan for the next fiscal year – Exhibit A: Daily Journal, June 1940
Exhibit B: memo from Marshall to MacArthur re: War College and Leavenworth courses
Exhibit C: conference agenda, June 19/20
Exhibit D: amplifies exhibit B
Exhibit E: copy of request for construction of additional projects
Exhibit F: copy of memo to President Quezon concerning a new ROTC to build up officer strength
Exhibit G: agenda for conference, June 26
Exhibit H: copy of indorsement by S. Marquat, Commission of the Budget to President Quezon on budgetary changes to the Philippine Armed Forces
Exhibit I: agenda for conference, June 27
Exhibit J: copy of draft press release. No Orders to Arm or Prepare- General Valdes, with attached new article (in Spanish) that the Military had gone on alert
Exhibit K: copy of Philippine Army order on air reservist reporting place
Exhibit L: copy of message from Philippine Military Department urging security talk among US Army military and civilian personnel

Folder 39: Correspondence, Journals July 1940

Daily Journal, July 1940
Exhibit A: memo for Col. Marshall from Sgt. Hoge requesting a cash allowance for enlisted men in office of Military Advisor
Exhibit B: tickler only, memo on ROTC study removed
Exhibit C: copy of memo from Col. Fidel Segundo, July 2, 1940, to Chief of Staff (Philippine Army?), subject-Army Budget
Exhibit D: copy of memo to the Secretary to the President, July 10, 1940, from MacArthur, re: the United States C.C.C. and its application to the Philippines
Exhibit E: Second draft copy of memo, subject: Study of the Philippine Army, July 2, 1940
Exhibit F: copy of memo from TAG (Philippine Army) to Chief Quartermaster Service, re: additional insurance for officers of the Air Corps
Exhibit G: true copy of message from J.M. Elizalde, July 13, 1940, to President Quezon, concerning Ryan Aeronautical Company’s quote on cost and delivery of STM-2 trainer aircraft
Exhibit H: copy of letter from Chief of Ordnance, July 3, 1940, concerning mortars, 75mm guns, machine gun tripods
Exhibit I: copy of memo from Sgt. Hoge, re: oaths and physical examinations for some officers
Exhibit J: copy of memo showing consolidated return for certain Philippine Army training cadres
Exhibit K: excerpt from Manila Daily Bulletin, July 26, 1940, entitled “Army Funds May Cut”
Exhibit L: true copy of message from President Quezon to Elizalde on Ryan Aeronautical Company purchase
Exhibit M: Copy of memo, subject: Budget Estimates for the Fiscal Year 1941-1942 (i.e., for the Philippine Army)
Exhibit N: General Court-Martial Orders, No 28-b (Philippine Army)
Exhibit O: copy of letter from Jorge B. Vargas, July 22, 1940, to the Secretary of National Defense, directing a cut in the defense budget

Folder 40: Correspondence, Journal August 1940

Exhibit A: draft copy of telegram to the President asking for more defense aid
Exhibit B: copy of message to corps of cadets at Philippine Military Academy
Exhibit C: Philippine Army General Orders no. 134: medals to Major Marquat and Lt. Gillette
Exhibit D: draft copy of letter to Executive Assistant to the United States High Commissioner concerning defense planning coordination between the Philippine Department, United States and the Philippine government
Exhibit E: copy of memo from Lt. Col. Marshall to Gen. Lim concerning promotion in the Philippine Army of officers serving therein from the US Army
Exhibit F: draft of endorsement concerning length of ROTC training
Exhibit G: copy of letter to Maj. Gen. Valdes from Commissioner of Budget on budget reductions

Reel 3  Selected documents from Official Military Personnel File of Douglas MacArthur

Folder 1 Radiogram No. 4982 of August 7, 1930, from Washington, D.C., to Commanding General, Philippine Department, directing him (General Douglas MacArthur), via intricate diversions to assume duty as Chief of Staff, U.S. Army, on 21 November
1930. Accompanied by radiograms 4752 and 4986 which supplement and complement the original order

Pamphlet, dated Wednesday, April 26, 1933, providing testimony of Chief of Staff General Douglas MacArthur on National Defense to the House of Representatives Committee on Military Affairs

Excerpt from Congressional Record, July 17, 1935, printing General MacArthur’s address to the Rainbow Division veterans at Washington, D.C., July 14, 1935

Orders of Sept. 18, 1935, to General Douglas MacArthur directing him to Proceed to Manila to carry out secret instructions of the Secretary of War

Letter, Oct. 23, 1935, from the Judge Advocate General, War Department, providing General MacArthur with guidelines on legislating procedures and regulations for the Philippine Army

Statements, Oct. 26, 1935, of General Douglas MacArthur on the occasions of his arrival in Manila and of dinner given by Manuel Quezon in MacArthur’s honor

Letter through which the General became a lifetime member of the Army and Navy Club of Manila; membership card

Address, 27 Nov 1935, by Jose Alejandrino, entitled National Defense, in which a program suited to the needs of the Philippines is discussed

Correspondence, December 1935, concerning death of Mary Pinkney MacArthur and arrangements for her interment

Letter, Dec. 29, 1935, from Secretary of War George Dern discussing the new Chief of Staff, General Malin Craig, the selection of more junior officers for early promotion to general officer, and Douglas MacArthur’s attitude towards High Commissioner Frank Murphy

Folder 2 Oath of Office, 6 January 1936, of Douglas MacArthur as Military Adviser to the President of the Philippines

Letter, Jan. 16, 1936, from Col C. Burnett, Military Intelligence Division, to Capt. T.J. Davis, concerning, inter alia, a decoration given MacArthur by the Mexican government

Letters, Jan. 18, March 7, June 13, 1936, from John Callan O’Laughlin, publisher of Army Navy Journal, forwarding letters from Herbert Hoover (not herein), political and War Department news, including General Hagood case
Letter, with enclosures, Feb. 28, 1936 from Patrick J. Hurley to MacArthur asking the latter’s assistance and guidance in straightening out a contract dispute for asphalt with the Philippine government


Letter, April 14, 1936 from MacArthur to Maj. Gen. Frank Parker, giving the latter a brief opinion of his service under MacArthur

Letter, June 11, 1936 from Secretary of War George H. Dern to MacArthur discussing his own illness, Roosevelt’s high regard of MacArthur, the problems of over-aged general officers, the General Hagood contretemps, the High Commissioner to the Philippines, Chief of Staff Malin Craig, etc

Letter, June 19, 1936 from MacArthur to President of the Philippines thanking him for conferring rank of field marshal


Letter, September 6, 1936 from MacArthur to Col. Charles A. Dravo, discussing MacArthur’s Pacific defense activities, U.S. presidential politics, general officer selection

Letter, September 15, 1936 from MacArthur to John Callan O’Laughlin providing the former’s views on the forthcoming U.S. presidential election

Letter, Sept. 26, 1936 from LCOL H.H. Malvan to MacArthur asking his comments on medals for several officers who had organized and operated the CCC under MacArthur; enclosed is MacArthur’s endorsement of Nov. 4, strongly opposing award of military decorations for routine duties of serving officers

Letter, October 7, 1936 from MacArthur to Maj. Gen. George Van Horn Moseley giving his views on the U.S. political scene and on the defense of the Pacific

Letter, Oct. 19, 1936 from MacArthur to his sister-in-law Mrs. Mary MacArthur, discussing their mutual travel plans and the effect of the forthcoming U.S. elections on both their plans

Newsreel script, no date, Fox-Movietone, of statement made by MacArthur on the Philippine National Defense Act
Remainder of correspondence: routine official and semi-official reports, condolences, solicitations, political comments with U.S. officers and civilians, invitations, birthday greetings, family and personal business

Folder 3

Letter, January 6, 1937, from Douglas MacArthur to acting High Commissioner J. Weldon Jones, recommending that [heavy cruiser] USS AUGUSTA be made available to transport President Quezon to the U.S.; Quezon does not know of this request. See also Jones’ letter of January 11

Letter, June 8, 1937 from MacArthur to Capt. Dudley W. Knox, USN (ret.), in which MacArthur defends the FDR-Quezon defense plan

Letter, June 29, 1937 enclosing program outline, from impresario and entrepreneur Earl Carroll to General MacArthur, soliciting financial support for Carroll’s movie productions

Radiogram, July 2, 1937 from General John Pershing, inviting MacArthur to a dedication of American war memorials in France

Letter, July 12, 1937 from W. I. Frederick, with a superscribed note from Koak E. Carter, to MacArthur, asking for information on Carter; attached holographic memo-for-the-record by T.J. Davis

Letter, July 30, 1937 from MacArthur to Col. John C. O’Laughlin in re: FDR’s political power, the Army and Navy Journal, the Filipino-American Joint Preparatory Commission

Statement, July 1937, by MacArthur to question from editor Vicente A. Pacis on the first training cycle of the Philippine Army; statement constitutes a progress report on the Development and problems of the Philippine Armed Forces

Letter, Aug. 17, 1937 from MacArthur to Sergio Osmena, congratulating the Vice President on a recent speech

Radiogram, Sept. 22, 1937 with a draught attached, from MacArthur to General Malin Craig, requesting the Chief of Staff to await arrival of a special air mail letter, re: MacArthur’s request for retirement from active service

Letter, Sept. 24, 1937 from MacArthur to Masonic leader John H. Cowles, re: Masonry and enclosing the General’s remarks of welcome to the new High Commissioner, Paul V. McNutt, also a prominent Mason

Letter, Oct. 20, 1937 from A.D. Williams to MacArthur in which the former, a Philippine Bureau of Public Works employee, requests MacArthur’s assistance in
building suitable dredges to develop Manila’s harbor, accompanied by subsequent correspondence from the General

Radiogram, Nov. 21, 1937 from MacArthur to the Chief of Bureau of Insular Affairs, providing the texts of the Philippine National Assembly petition for MacArthur to remain as military adviser and of MacArthur’s remarks in response

Letter, Nov. 27, 1937 from MacArthur to Gertrude Algase, refusing to write his autobiography at this time. Several other letters of this nature follow

Remainder of correspondence is congratulatory, superogatory, tax-centered, family activities, social matters

Folder 4

Telegram, January 5, 1938, from MacArthur to Joseph P. Kennedy of the Maritime Commission, decrying the possibility of U.S. merchant vessels being withdrawn from the Pacific Ocean

Letter, Jan. 6, 1938 from MacArthur to Chief of Insular Bureau asking for whereabouts of the General’s medal, the Ecuadorean “Abdon Caldera.” Follow-up correspondence

Statement, early January, 1938 from MacArthur on the death of former Secretary of War, Newton D. Baker

Letter, March 10, 1938 MacArthur to Walter Robb, commenting on Robb’s proposal for a chain of hotels in the Philippines and promising to assist Robb’s project on an informal basis


Letter, April 5, 1938 MacArthur to editor A.V.H. Hartendorp, praising an editorial of the latter and commenting on President Quezon

Letter, April 12, 1938 P.M. Poblete, insurance broker, notifies MacArthur that, since the latter now employs the amah Loh Chiu, he is responsible for keeping up her surety bond, etc.

Letter, April 23, 1938 Paul W. Bayard, former captain in the 42nd (Rainbow) Division asks MacArthur to help his medical disability claim with the U.S. Veteran’s Bureau. Draught affidavit by the General is attached
Radiogram, June 27, 1938 MacArthur to Adjutant General, War Department, provides his views of awards of Purple Heart; stating that the PH should go only to the living.


Letter, Nov. 25, 1938 MacArthur, to Masonic leader John H. Cowles, makes some comment on Catholic activities in the Philippines and forwards annotated copy of a dedicatory speech he made for the new Scottish Rite Temple in Manila.

Letter, Nov. 30, 1938 Col. Frank Hadsoll writes to MacArthur about a recent speech by Samuel Hoare in defense of Neville Chamberlain. MacArthur’s draft reply is appended, wherein the General raises some long range moral and strategic conditions, about European conditions.

The remaining items concern invitations, settlements of estates and taxes; social activities; routine military administration, including letters from and to Admiral Leahy, editor Pacis, attaché Lt. Col. John C.H. Lee; requests for assistance.

Folder 5

Letter, January 9, 1939, Philippine Resident Commissioner Joaquin M. (Mike) Elizalde writes to MacArthur about his activities in Washington and forwards some defense material of interest.


Letter, April 3, 1939 Douglas MacArthur informs Bonner [Fellers] that the Secretary of War has rejected Fellers’ and Quezon’s request for another tour of duty for Fellers in the Philippines. MacArthur places the blame on Chief of Staff Malin Craig.

Statement, August 11, 1939 of General MacArthur on the occasion of the birthday of President Manuel Quezon (19 August 1939).

Letter, September 14, 1939 from Richard Gill of San Antonio to Col. D. D. Eisenhower who has been acting as MacArthur’s agent in the matter of obtaining for MacArthur a suitable home near San Antonio. This letter gives a description and cost of a property.

Statement, Sept. 28, 1939 from MacArthur in honor of the Philippine Army.
Reference Sheet, April 24, 1940, summarizes a secret Philippine Army emergency mobilization plan for defense of Lingayen Gulf

Telegram, Sept. 15, 1940 from William Allen White asking for a statement from MacArthur in support of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies. MacArthur’s statement is appended

Letter, March 15, 1941, from W.F. Marquat to MacArthur, explaining his actions in compliance with orders to report to MacArthur in Manila

Check slip, April 26, from C.A.W. [Charles A. Willoughby], G-4 [Philippine Department] to Lt. Col. Dunkel, staff of the military adviser, concerning coordination and mutual support in mobilization of the Philippine Army

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