

VISIT TO MACEDONIA

Last week, Mr. Gökhan KAYALI, General Manager of the EMA Group visited our representation in Macedonia.



During his visit he visited the military school where ATATÜRK studied and he said that Macedonia reminds him of a Turkish residential area and that its architecture was very close to Turkish architecture.

ATATURK's Military Education

After having been graduated from the Selanik Junior High School Mustafa Kemal registered in the Manastir Military High School with shoulder strap number 7348.

On the 13th of March 1896 he started his education at the Manastir Military High School where students from Macedonia, Skopje, Ipek, Iskodra, Ianina, Selanik and Manastir were registered.



As we do not have any document attesting the first year of Mustafa Kemal in the Manastir Military High School the information given are only those that he could remind on this period. In 1897 he started the second class at the Manastir Military High School. When in 1897 the Ottoman-Greek War broke out although he wanted to take part to the war as volunteer he couldn't do it because he was too young. At school he was a very good student and so he passed from the 2nd class, that has 52 students, to the 3rd class and he was the third of his class. In the 2nd class the students were following 8 different courses and of these he got a 45 in 5 of these courses and a 20 for the other 3 courses. These are the marks he obtained: Trigonometry 45 - Geometry 45 - General History 45 - Literary composition 44 - French 44- Design 20 - Drawing 20 - Gymnastic 20. He obtained 283 points upon 285 points.

In 1898 Mustafa Kemal was studying in the 3rd Class of the Manastir Military High School and then he was graduated being the 2nd in his class of 54 students. His marks were as follows:

Machine 45 – Cosmography 45 – General History 45 – Ottoman History 45 - Literary composition 45 – Logic 45- Religion 45 – French 45 – Design 20 – Drawing 20 – Gymnastic 20, so he was graduated with 420 points. The average of the students that were graduated being the first and the second of their class is the same. When he was in 11th Class he followed 11 different courses, in eight of these lessons he got 45 and in three of them 20. In his memories Mustafa Kemal wrote: “When I was in the Manastir Military High School, I was studying with obstinacy as we all wanted to be the first or the second in class. Finally we did it and we were all graduated”.

From December 1898 to March he spent his holiday in Selanik and he arrived in Istanbul on the 13th of March 1899 where he registered at the Harbiye Military School of Istanbul with shoulder strap number 1283.

