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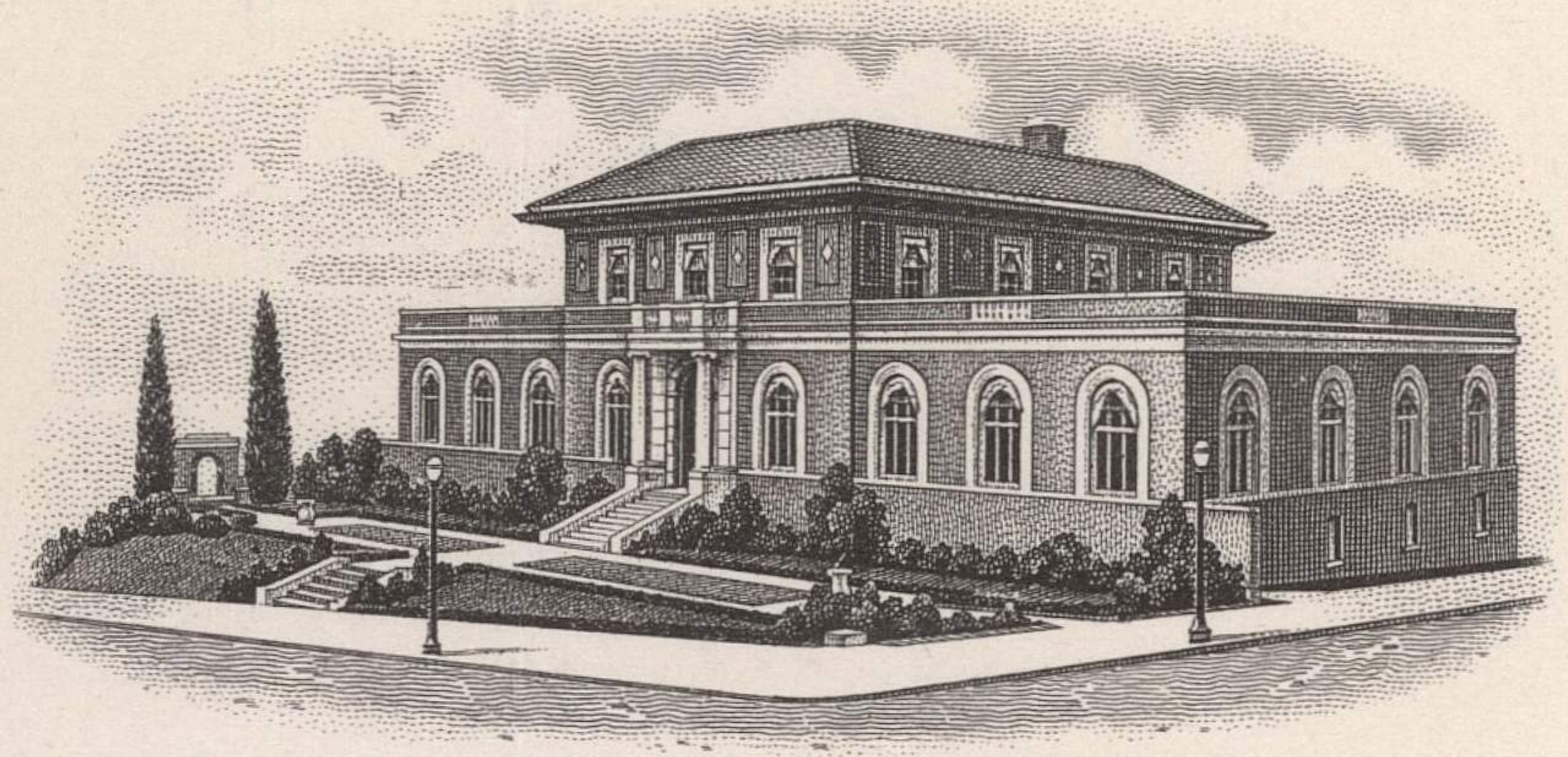
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Dear Phog;

Lieutenant Nugent and yours truly *are* duly appreciateive of the chance you are giving the Flyers to play against a name club on a big court. I am mailing some publicity material on the individual players to Elliott and Nixon. As to the team it really hasn't a record as aside from St. Benedict's, which beat the Flyers, 43 to 35, all it has played has been independent clubs around St. Joe.

There is plenty of material but like all real service clubs the Flyers are operating under a tremendous handicap as all practice and play is on the soldiers own time and it is impossible to get them together as some are always in duty, particularly the flying officers.

Rosecrans Field is operated by the Army Air Force Transport Command and is a rapidly expanding aviation base. Its athletic program is just getting under way under the direction of Lieut. Thomas Nugent, former coach at Ithaca, N.Y., College. All of his men are subject to transfer at any minute so the present bunch might be in Africa or Australia by Jan. 16 leaving him with a brand new bunch on his hands.

He knows that the Flyers are not in a class with your club and only hopes to give you a decent game. I assured him that you weren't the type of coach to try to rub it in and that in playing two games in a night your club wouldn't be at its best.

Sincerely

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Arthur F. Hughes