Editor, The Tech: There is an undergraduate activity here at Technology which is seemingly unknown to most of the student body. I refer to the M.I.T. Orchestra or the "Little Symphony", as it was once known. During my five years at Tech, I have encountered many students who were absolutely unaware that such an organization existed. The result is that many students with musical training have missed an excellent opportunity to keep up their interest in music, contact with good music.

This year, with the much appreciated help of the Institute Committee, the Orchestra was fortunate enough to secure as conductor Mr. Jacques Hoffmann, a noted violin pedagogue and soloist. Mr. Hoffmann was for many years responsible director of the five-voice chorus of the Boston Symphony Orchestra and has appeared many times as soloist with that organization.

He was also accompanist and guest conductor of the "Dept. Orchestra" at Wellesley and Boston University. Mr. Hoffmann has conducted student orchestras in Europe and is now leader of the Lincoln Symphony Orchestra, one of the finest organizations of its kind in and around Boston.

Mr. Hoffmann has reached our orchestra of thirty pieces for the first term with excellent results. The members have been afforded a real chance to play some of our best music as it should be played under the baton of a thorough and accomplished maestro.

There are still vacancies in all sections of the orchestra which should easily be filled. All students and members of the faculty with any orchestral or solo musical experience are invited to a Tuesday evening rehearsal at seven o'clock in Room 246 so that they may talk to Mr. Hoffmann and perhaps take part in the rehearsal. Non-musicians are also invited to attend rehearsals so that they may enjoy the work that is being done.

--- GEORGE R. ROBINSON, G.

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