The Tech

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letters

The Editor of "The Tech":

It seems that each year at this time, Tech Show is forced to submit to a verbal carping at the hands of an individual or group of individuals. Last fall, again this fall, we wish to answer this storytelling with the truth.

We feel that good practice to make a public financial accounting. However, in order to prevent the spread of misinformation, we feel it necessary to do so. The budget of Tech Show '60 is $16,080. This is the lowest budget since Tech Show moved into Knecht Auditorium. Last year's losses of $1,200 (and not $200 as reported) were sustained because of a road trip and poor ticket sales. However, the most of references to erroneous editorials concerning Tech Show which appeared in the 1959 editions of "The Tech".

We have issued to our audience for the first three nights would virtually fill Knecht's vast auditorium twice, since we have recorded approximately 2000 paid admissions for those nights.

Concerning undergraduate support, Tech Show '59 provided activity for MIT students, which is only one less that which supports "The Tech". The total number of alumni in this year's company was two, which is hardly an overwhelming figure and entirely within the organization's constitution as filed with the Institute Committee.

It is impossible for all the talent necessary to put on Tech Show, specifically female talent, to be found within the MIT community. Tech Show was compelled to use the talents of young ladies from our neighboring schools.

This has been a standard practice for many years, and it is done with the utmost respect and full understanding of our faculty advisor, Professor William C. Greene. This procedure is used by other MIT musical and dramatic organizations for the same reason. The regular cast is composed of talented young ladies.

The use of people other than MIT undergraduates in no way affects the quality of Tech Show as an undergraduate activity. The regulations concerning Class A activities, which were discussed at the Activities Council meeting of February 16, indicate that only the officers and 50% of the membership need be undergraduates. Tech Show more than meets these requirements.

We understand that the author of the editorial which appeared in the last issue of "The Tech" had made no attempt to contact any member of the Tech Show managing board before writing his editorial. Realizing therefore that his facts are second hand, and on the whole false, we ask for a public apology.

We hope that in the future when "The Tech" comments editorially on Tech Show, it will be as facts really are, and not the exaggerated guesses which have appeared in the past.

Yours truly,

PETER HOKER, General Manager
STANLEY J. MICHALIK, Secretary

To answer these points in order:

The Tech desires nothing more than to have the facts revealed. If they are brought to light, the undergraduates can judge for themselves. We will be more than happy to make new contacts, for even Endicott Junior College has given up.

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ED. CHEREZ LA FEMME

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With regard to undergraduate participation: we count in Tech Show '39, 160% of MIT undergraduates. The people behind Tech Show '60 have REDUCED rates on MIT undergraduates. Other Tech Show debts to the...