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Description

This collection contains material pertaining to the life, career, and activities of Henri Temianka, violin virtuoso, conductor, music teacher, and author. Materials include correspondence, concert programs and flyers, music scores, photographs, and books.

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THE CURTIS INSTITUTE OF MUSIC

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PHILADELPHIA PENNSYLVANIA

JOSEF HOFMANN

February 14th, 1928

Mr. Henri Temianka The Curtis Institute of Music Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Mr. Temianka,

In answer to your letter of February seventh, I wish to inform you that Mr. Flesch advised me he considers you a mature violinist as regards the quality of your mastery of the instrument, but that you lack in repertoire and that he believes it advisable for you to study with him another summer in Europe in order to give you a solid repertoire for your public career.

I am not positively sure whether this could be managed on the part of the Institute, for it would involve considerable expense. This season, the Institute has spent far more than its income permitted, and if we pay the expenses connected with your summer study-vacation, the latter may necessitate a curtailing, in proportion, of the concerts which are to be arranged for you by the Institute next season.

For this reason, I wanted to bring these facts to your attention and I should now like to know how you feel about it.

Awaiting your answer, I am, with kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Josephofmann