Metallurgy Department to present first frosh Open House Tuesday

The Department of Metallurgy will hold its annual open house next Thursday, from 4:30 to 5:30 pm, as part of the course selection program sponsored by the Freshman Advisory Council. Staff members from Course III and materials science and metallurgy will be available to talk to interested students about their programs. These permit emphases in such fields as physical metallurgy, processing of materials, and corrosion. Refreshments will be served.

Among the exhibits will be a display of materials and techniques used in high-temperature chemical and physical-chemical research in the Department. These include the study, by means of x-ray fluorescence and measurements of the chemical potential of metals in alloys at temperatures in excess of 300°C. Equipment used to study the rate of absorption of gases by metals will also be shown, and two techniques for the measurement of vapor pressure at high temperatures will be demonstrated.

There will, in addition, be a display of modern electronic materials, illustrating the advances in understanding the correlation between structure and properties of materials.

College World

Grades and extra-curricular activity unraveled, says National Merit report

How probable is it that a student in college will choose a career in science after graduation? According to the summary of research findings in the latest annual report of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, “The likelihood that a male student will pursue a career in science after college appears to be decreased if he attends a relatively selective college.”

Clubs serving technological institutions, the report stated, far outnumber other entering classes in intellectualism and pragmatism. Private non-sectarian liberal arts colleges are typical of the programs.

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Game of the Year

The honor of high school-senior scholar of the 1952-53 sports year would have to go to the basketball team of Allegany Community College, in Cumberland, Maryland. The team brought its season record up to 112-1 last week with a victory over Baltimore Institute, now 0-13. The score was a major upset.

When asked how it feels to lose by 187 points, the Baltimore coach replied, “Not very good. We wanted to be better. The game was a disaster for us. We could have put some pressure on them. Allegany was really good.”

The Baltimore coach may have found grounds for a protest, however. He said at the time discovered that Allegany was stopping the clock twice in the game.

“When they got it, the clock started again,” he said. “I told the referee about it and he said there was nothing I could do. Someone said the clock was sticking.”

Protest at Cornell

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A New American Record

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