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## Fewer Students Fail Christmas Trial Runs

This year, 1193 students wrote examinations in the faculty of Arts and Science (including Nursing, Education, Pharmacy), as compared with 1045 last year. The results are better than those of Christmas 1958. The percentage of failures is slightly lower, but there are also fewer first class averages. However, there has been a considerable increase in the number of students with averages of between sixty and eighty per cent. It would appear that Dalhousie is producing more students who can combine successfully work and fun. Here are a few figures:

	Freshmen 1959	Upper Classmen 1959
1 or no failures .....	54%	70%
More than 3 failures .....	17%	7%
	1958	1959
1 or no failures .....	58%	64%
More than 3 failures .....	17%	11%

## TO THE RIGHT—SIGSWORTH and CASHIN UPHOLD A CANADIAN "MANTLE OF NEUTRALISM" IN DEBATE WITH U of T



## DAL SPEAKERS LOSE TO U OF T

A debating team from the University of Toronto argued successfully against a resolution "that Canada adopt a policy of neutrality," upheld by two students from the Dalhousie Law School on Wednesday evening at Dalhousie. The Parliamentary style debate was presided over by Wendell Fulton, a third-year law student, who acted as Speaker.

Frank Sigsworth, LL.B., a graduate student now studying for his Master of Laws degree, was the first speaker for Dal. He emphasized that the world is now divided into two fortresses, and, should a war break out, there would be no means of escape for all other nations, who, by siding with one or the other of the two giants, Russia and the United States, "act as a catalyst."

He felt that because Canada is politically, socially and economically stable, she is prepared to don "the mantle of neutrality." This position would involve a refusal to enter into power politics, military alliances and treaties that would involve her in a war between Russia and the United States. Neutrality in his opinion provides "the one faint candle of hope and probability."

Max Rotseen, a law student at the University of Toronto, said, "We must be prepared to back up the United States to obtain moral objectives." He argued that "geographically, Canada sits smack in the middle of the belligerents" and "were Canada to become neutral, she would probably be invaded by Russia."

Rick Cashin of the Dalhousie Law School declared that "Canada is the ideal nation to stand before the world in the bold new garb of neutrality. The adoption of such a policy would not destroy the balance of power between East and West, "for militarily speaking, we are only a drop in the proverbial bucket." "Because of our useless military alliances," he said, "we are regarded by the world as a military satellite of the United States."

By becoming neutral, "we would be free to undertake with new vigor our role as a mediating force."

Following the main speeches, members of the audience, who assisted as Members of the House of Commons, were given an opportunity to present their personal views on the subject. Subsequently the House divided and the University of Toronto team was declared the winner.

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