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## Up To The Council

The Student Council will meet Monday evening to decide
whether the academic requirement clause in the new elec-
tions law is constitutional.
We do not wish to influence the Council one way or the other in making its decision. We feel it is one which Council
members should decide without outside pressure. But it seems necessary that the Council be made aware of some of the
facts and theories involved in the case. The elections law, which requires that a candidate main-
tain a C average over three quarters, is definitely not ex post facto. Ex post facto, which amounts to punishment for an
But Attorney-General Dick Murphy and Student Council
member Bob Evans, among others, believe the law is ex post facto in spirit and principle. They are right. And it is up to
the Council to decide whether that spirit in the law is grounds the Council to decide whether that spirit in the law is grounds
enough for declaring the law void.
It seems unfair to set requirments for office which are impossible to meet for a number of people-impossible to meet
bacause of the time element alone. It is obviously unfair for the Legislature not to have made sure the law would not go
into effect until all office-seekers would have time to learn of the requirements and then meet them. To impose such unmeetable requirements right in the middle of nomination time
is rather absurd. under the new law will probably not run even if the law is
thrown off the books. So the pressure to void the measure will not be coming from that direction. But the Student Coun
cil should look at the law carefully and ask itself the follow ing question: Is the law fair and in accord with the spirit
As to the merits of the law itself, there is no argument. The
academic standards set are nothing more than common sense for any person intending to hold a public office. But the time

## The Durham Sun

Those Primary Highways

Governor Scott, it appears, is aghast at the condition of
North Carolina's primary roads. It will take, we are told, more than 300 million dollars to put them back in shape. It is unfortunate the Governor did not think of that two years ago when he fathered the bill which increased truck
loads in North Carolina. If the Governor really is concerned about the primary road system and about the expense of its movement to roll back those truck weights.
By so doing, he may save a hundred million of that an-
ticipated 300 millions by the single achievement of avoiding the necessity for making the primary roads thicker and
stronger, hence probably a third more costly. In addition, e will save other millions in future maintenance for every third mile of highway laid by North Carolina. We doubt the accuracy of that claim; but, if it were so, the trucks
are damaging the public's two miles as well as their own one. third of the cost of construction and maintenance of our high

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## Louie The Gambler



## I'll Never Forget

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