

Charges And Counter - Charges Mar Appointment Of Joe Parker To Commission

(Editor's Note: The following article is taken from the October 9 edition of The News-Herald in Ahoskie. See Public Parade.)

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AHOSKIE — North-eastern North Carolina Tomorrow, a commission formed last week to help the industrial development of Northeastern North Carolina, has the potential of making this region a positive factor in North Carolina, according to Joe Parker, the commission's chairman.

Parker, who was elected by a 21-12 vote to be its temporary chairman, made his remarks Friday morning after his effectiveness was questioned by State Representative Vernon James of Pasquotank County in the Virginian Pilot and the Elizabeth City Daily Advance this past week. In essence, James said via a telephone interview from Raleigh Thursday that Parker should step down as chairman because he has alienated the governor and the administration. The state representative was upset at an editorial that was published in four of the Parker Brothers Newspapers recently that discussed the apparent changing of position by Governor Hunt regarding Virginia Electric and Power Company.

"He has accused the governor of changing his position on Veeco," said James. "He has alienated the support of the governor."

"If he (Parker) wants the

area to develop, he should step down and let somebody else run it. We need somebody who is in the good graces of the administration," he added.

James agrees that the newly formed regional development group, composed of state representatives, industrial developers, community college presidents and other interested persons, is a step in the right direction for the development of the region, made up of 16 counties.

"No, I don't think the comments made by Representative James will adversely affect Northeastern N. C. Tomorrow's organizational

Sermon Topic Is Chosen

"Sermons From The Pew" is the sermon topic selected by Rev. R. R. Blankenhorn for the morning worship service at the Edenton United Methodist Church on October 18, 11 A.M. The text for this message is II Peter 2:5.

The youth (junior - senior highs) will meet at the First Presbyterian Church at 6 P.M., October 18. Rev. and Mrs. Howatt Mallinson will present a special program about their trip around the world.

The Administrative Board will meet on October 18, 7:30 P.M. at the church.

The Committee on Nominations and Personnel will meet on October 20, 7:30 P.M., in the church library.

efforts," said Parker. "The editorials must have touched the quick, from the amount of protest. In a 16 county organization, there are some people who would think that somebody else can take the leadership role. That's the nature of the organization," Parker said.

"He is absolutely wrong when he says I would be ineffective in terms of working with the governor and the department of

administration. That is absolutely not so," said Parker.

He added that Governor Hunt called a press conference this week after he and the governor talked about how Hunt should clarify his position on Veeco. That press conference took place Monday in Raleigh.

Parker commented on the press conference by saying, "I was very pleased with the

speech and the tone at his (Governor Hunt's) press conference, both as a longtime supporter of Governor Hunt and as Chairman of Operation Overcharge.

"It was very encouraging to have Hunt renew his commitment to assist in bringing electric rate parity to Northeastern North Carolina," Parker said.

James said that Veeco stated five years ago that in

1962, the electric company would have competitive rates since they are changing to nuclear generation and away from oil.

Parker added that he doesn't have any problems with the Department of Administration or with the Governor. "The governor and I are very close on this issue and almost on all levels," he said regarding the position on Veeco.

"That's just a way of Representative James striking back because of his unhappiness of our pointing out that he was leading or attempting to lead the governor in the wrong direction on Veeco. The governor has made himself very clear as to where he stands on it."

The commission still has to prove itself and it's still in the organizational phase, said Parker, but the

governor has already committed himself to come to the first meeting, said Parker. "He has an interest in the region."

State Senator J. J. Monk Harrington of Bertie County said Thursday that the newly formed commission is a "tremendous idea and it takes firm leadership to get it rolling. It's a good time for Joe (Parker) to shine and show his leadership," said Harrington.

Letter To Editor: James Refutes Charges

(Editor's Note: The following Letter to The Editor of Parker Brothers Newspapers in Ahoskie is being printed in The Chowan Herald because the editorial which prompted it appeared as a Guest Editorial in this newspaper. See Public Parade.)

Letter to the Editor: Freedom of the press was established in order for all factual information to be printed. However, the libelous slander that was written in your editorial of September 23, 1981, was nothing short of irresponsible reporting.

Your editorial charged Gov. Hunt with doing an aboutface on Veeco and accused me of promoting my own interests. I do not own any Veeco stock nor have I acted in any way in an unethical manner. You charged that "I buried, in a house committee, a resolution asking the Utility Review Committee to take a close look at Veeco. This bill was introduced in the Senate on June 17. It took 22 days in the Senate. The bill did not reach the House until the 9th

of July. Adjournment was on the 10th of July. It is in the rules of the House that all bills coming to the House from the Senate must be sent to a committee for consideration. This bill was sent to the Rules Committee and was amended to eliminate three words, "Northeastern North Carolina", in two places. This change makes the bill apply to the entire state.

You stated that a bill did not have to pass both houses for it to be effective. This is news to me! Based on the

Constitution of North Carolina, every bill has to pass two houses to become law. This bill is due on the floor of the House this week.

The public staff of the Utilities Commission had authority to do all of these things without the resolution and they have already reviewed Veeco.

We are all interested in the development of Northeastern North Carolina. Joe Parker as chairman of "Northeastern

North Carolina for Tomorrow" should be working to bring together people who are interested and will to work for progress in our part of the state instead of lambasting these people and alienating them. We need to work together for our common good.

My office is open and I will be happy to talk with anyone at any time on any matter of concern. My records are open and will certainly stand public scrutiny.

Rep. Vernon James

IN MEMORIAM
In loving memory of my dear mother, Juanita Bunch White who departed this life Sept. 6, and whose birthday was Oct. 13.

There is a someone who misses you sadly, and finds time long since you went. There is someone who thinks of you always and tries to be brave and content. Gone is the face I loved so dear, silent the voice I loved to hear.

Tis sad but true, we wonder why. The best are always first to die.
Your daughter,
Carolyn and
Grandchildren

Revival Services To Be Held

Revival services will be in progress at the Kadesh A.M.E. Zion Church, Edenton, from October 19 through 23. Services will begin nightly at 7:30 P.M. Different choirs will render music each night. Rev. W. L. Wainwright, pastor, will be the evangelist of the week.

You are cordially invited to attend.

Fire At Swain Is Reported

A small fire at Swain Elementary School was reported to the Edenton Police Dept. at 9:44 on Oct. 10. The Fire Dept. was notified and the fire was contained with no major damage occurring. Investigating officers were Captain C. H. Williams, Corp. F. M. Parker, and Patrolman Bill Griswold. The matter is still under investigation.

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