

citizens, have strongly urged me to veto the bill, because they find there is widespread opposition to it, and they do not believe that the bill if approved will actually prevent the making of race bets in Washington County.

Since the bill is a local one, and would not have passed over the opposition of the Senator from the county, I will veto it.

CLEARSPRING WATER SUPPLY.

(Chapter 21, House Bill 118.)

This bill authorizes the construction of a water works and sewerage system for the town of Clearspring, and the issue of bonds to pay for the cost.

Clearspring is a small community of about four hundred and fifty people, and since the adjournment of the Legislature I have been informed by the State Senator from Washington County, and some of the delegates, that in their opinion, and in the opinion of the majority of the citizens of Clearspring, the banking emergency which developed after the introduction of this bill has made it inadvisable to issue the bonds, and that the inauguration of this improvement should be postponed until a later date. Accordingly, the bill will be vetoed.

COBB ISLAND CHARTER.

(Chapter 468, House Bill 562.)

Cobb Island was incorporated by the Legislature of 1929, and the validity of its Charter is now before the Court. House Bill 562 amends the Charter in many respects, and a considerable number of the property owners have asked me to veto the bill.

The company interested in the development of Cobb Island has undertaken to ascertain by mail the prevailing sentiment of the property owners on this bill, and the returns are about three to two against it. The company advises me that, under these circumstances, it would prefer not to press the matter at this time, but to leave the question of further amendments to the Charter until the next Legislature. I will, therefore, veto the bill.