

As there is a possibility that this change would work a hardship upon certain litigants, I have vetoed the bill.

#### LAUREL.

Chapter 194, House Bill 214, would authorize the City Council of Laurel to shorten the period within which water may be turned off for non-payment of water bill.

In these times of distress, I see no reason for introducing into the law features involving additional burdens or possible severity upon taxpayers. I am, therefore, vetoing the bill.

#### MILITIA.

Chapter 145, Senate Bill 61, amends the present law relating to the Veteran Corps of the Fifth Regiment and the Old Guard.

This amendment would involve the expenditure of additional funds which would be uncertain as to amount and limited only at the discretion of those desiring to hold parades. In the interest of economy I have vetoed the bill.

#### MONTGOMERY COUNTY BILLS.

The Legislature passed a large number of bills making changes in the local laws of Montgomery County, some of which seem either to be unnecessary or undesirable.

Chapter 66, House Bill 48, authorizes the County Commissioners to designate one of their number to supervise the County Police and to provide for the payment of expenses in connection therewith.

Chapter 94, House Bill 105, amends the law as to the appointment of the Supervisor of School Property.

Chapter 134, House Bill 43, proposes certain restrictions on the use of firearms in Montgomery County, not covered by the general law.

Chapter 171, House Bill 96, amends the law relating to the Board of Assessments, their qualifications, duties and compensation.

Chapter 179, House Bill 466, amends the law relating to the salary of the County Commissioner acting as Superintendent of the County Farm.

Chapter 249, Senate Bill 430, provides for the appointment of a County Treasurer in case of vacancy.

Chapter 368, House Bill 104, amends the law relating to the salaries and allowances of the Supervisor of School Property.

Chapter 405, House Bill 510, repeals the local law relating to protection of game and fur-bearing animals.