

ate Bill 563, which is Chapter 924, is in direct opposition to Section 24 of Article 39. We believe the riparian owners should have the right to determine who shall set nets on waters in front of their property and believe this Bill should be vetoed."

In view of the foregoing, I am vetoing the measure.

Chapter 690 (House Bill 817). This Bill undertakes to regulate the taking of fish with nets or seines in Back and Middle Rivers and the tributaries, and to prohibit fishing with nets or seines in certain portions of the Chesapeake Bay near the United States Army Reservation Ordnance Proving Grounds. The State Game and Inland Fish Commission pronounces this Bill as contrary to proper conservation methods.

Prior to the introduction of this measure, another proposal—House Bill No. 730—was introduced to provide for the same restrictions and failed of passage. However, just two days before final adjournment this Bill—Chapter 690—was introduced which was identical in its provisions with the previously defeated measure. Inasmuch as this Bill seeks to repeal Paragraph "G" of Section 29 of Chapter 356, the State Game Warden and the Commission opposed the approval of the measure. It is pointed out that if further restriction is necessary as a war measure, the Federal Government has all the authority needed to bring about this result.

The present law provides for a three-month period closed to fishing with nets in these waters and this Bill would grant the right to fish twelve months of the year. Thus, no consideration would be given to the spawning period, and for this reason conservationists oppose the measure and I, therefore, feel compelled to veto it.

FREDERICK COUNTY.

Chapter 395 (House Bill 344). By the terms of this Bill it is proposed to authorize and empower the Mayor and Aldermen of Frederick to issue serial coupon bonds up to \$27,000 for the purpose of redeeming outstanding bonds issued to increase the water supply and its distribution by the erection of a storage reservoir; the measure also provides for the levy and collection of taxes for the servicing of such bond issue.

One grave question has arisen because the Bill does not specifically exempt the bonds from the provisions of Sections 35 and 36 of Article 31 of the Code.

Under Section 3 of the Bill, the Mayor and Aldermen are vested with blanketed authority to do anything necessary for the issuance of the bonds and to effect the most satisfactory sale under existing conditions. Under Section 5, it is provided that the bonds shall be serial bonds and that a certain