

the Peace of said county shall have the power and authority to issue civil writs in all cases so far as civil jurisdiction is concerned as had and possessed by them on the first day of January, 1922, and try, hear and determine same.

SEC. 6. *Be it enacted*, That whenever any warrant is sworn out before any of the said Justices of the Peace for any offense committed in said county, which offense the said Justice of the Peace has no power to hear or try, then it shall be the duty of the said Justice of the Peace before whom such a warrant is sworn out to make the same returnable before the said Police Justice for hearing and trial.

SEC. 7. *Be it enacted*, That whenever any person shall be arrested in said Montgomery County, upon any criminal charge or for the violation of any law of this State whether such arrest is made without writ or is made under a warrant issued by any Justice of the Peace, of the said Montgomery County, it shall be the duty of such officer making such arrest or in whose custody the person so arrested may be, to take the person so arrested before the said Police Justice or one of the Justices of the Peace of said county according as is stated in the command or return of the writ or warrant, for hearing or trial and in criminal cases the said Police Justice or Justices of the Peace as the case may be, of his own motion, or on the motion of the State's Attorney for said county may at any time during the trial before final judgment amend the information, warrant, docket entries, name of the offender or other proceedings, in any such case pending before him; and in all criminal trials in the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, to which cases have been removed on an application for a jury trial or on an appeal from the judgment of said Police Justice the Circuit Court on motion of the State's Attorney for said county, may at any time, before the trial or during the progress of trial, or before final judgment, amend the information, warrant, docket entries, name of the offender or other proceedings in such case, so that before the Police Justice or Circuit Court, as the case may be, such case may be tried on its merits and the purposes of justice subserved; provided, however, that in the Circuit Court such amendment does not change the character of the offense or crime with which the accused is charged.

SEC. 8. *Be it enacted*, That said Police Justice shall be paid a salary of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) a year, said salary to be paid monthly by the County Commissioners of