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Sincerely,

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The following summaries are included herein for reference purposes.

1. Acts of 1887, Chapter 146, named the 32 counties in the Eastern District of the State as it was divided for the organization of the hospitals for the insane. There were 32 counties assigned also to the Central Division of the state which included Lawrence County.
2. Private Acts of 1931, Chapter 483, stated that any reputable person who had as much as three years training in a reputable medical school, or the equivalent thereof, or who has had at least ten years practice in medicine as a licensed medical doctor in the State would be qualified to hold the office of County Jail Physician or Health Officer, in Lawrence County. This Act was repealed by Private Acts of 1933, Chapter 333.

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