

## **Court House**

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What about Choctaw county building a court house and jail? Have you given the subject careful and patriotic consideration? At first we were inclined to think the time was not at hand for the county to incur such an indebtedness; but seeing the great need of this public necessity, and that it must be done at no distant date and that it can be done as cheaply now as at any time in the future, we are heartily in accord with the proposition to vote bonds for such a purpose. It should be remembered that our county is paying rents and is put to other expenses which would more than pay the interest on the proposed bond issue and also create a sinking fund which would pay off the bonds at maturity. If we must pay a stipulated sum of money every year for rents, etc., it seems that should apply this annual taxation upon property that would ultimately be our own. Again, we must be abreast of the times, as well as look to the business interests of our great county, which is conceded to be the best in Oklahoma. Then let us have a court house and jail in keeping with the progress of the times and reap the benefit while we pay for them.