

Choctaw County Court House
The Proposed Court House

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On the first page of this issue we give a picture of the proposed court house for Choctaw County. It is to be 84x110 feet, is to be built of native stone and to be absolutely fire proof. On the first floor will be the offices of the county surveyor and county superintendent, with large room for examinations and large vault, justice of the peace and shiriff's [sic] offices and vaults, farmers' rest room with ladies' and gents' toilets and two overflow vaults. The rest room will contain two large tables and plenty of comfortable chairs.

Second floor; - Register of deeds office and vault; county court room, judge's office and vault; county treasurer's office and vault; county clerk's office and vault and commissioners' court room.

Third floor: - District court room, judge's private office and stenographer's room, district clerk's office and vault; county attorney's office – 3 rooms, grand jury room and two jury rooms.

The rotunda has a light well running through center of building to dome, which makes light and ventilation perfect. The heating plant will be in the sub basement under the jail, making it so the turnkey can take care of the heating department.

The building is to be first class in every respect and absolutely fire proof. Now, Mr. Voter, it up to you to say whether we will have this building of our own or not, stop heavy rents and know all of our records are safe.