

A BIG LITTLE COUNTY.

Madison is a small county and has never made any special extra claims educationally. Brazos is a big, rich, Brazos bottom county, and its county site, Bryan, makes much boast of its great schools, and calls itself one of the most important educational centers of the State. Out of some forty or fifty rural teachers in Brazos county the coming year we note the following: Ed Batson, principal of the Harvey school, a Madison county boy; Lee McGee, assistant in the Harvey school, a Madison county boy; Arthur Ford, principal of the Steep Hollow school, a Madison county boy; George Powers, principal of Wellborn school, a Madison county boy; Wiley Coleman, principal of Kurten school, a Madison county boy; Mrs. Wiley Coleman, assistant in Kurten school, a Madison county girl; W. L. Powers, county superintendent-elect of Brazos county, a Madison county boy. We congratulate Brazos county on knowing where to look when seeking good teachers. How many of these are from Mecca?—Normangee Star.

The Star could also have added that Professors John H. Allen and R. O. Allen, principals of Allen Academy, and two of the leading educators of this section of the State, came from Madisonville to Bryan. Also Miss May Burtis of the Bryan High School.

From the tone of the Star's article we cannot understand just exactly what it means, whether it is trying to praise Madison county or throw "sparrow grass" on Bryan as an educational center, but be that as it may, Bryan's schools speak for themselves; their reputation has gone forth into all the country round about and they are too well established for any little velled criticism to do them injury.

Brazos and Madison counties are next door neighbors, their friendship is on the order of David and Jonathan, and Bryan's schools have given instruction to many of Madison's sons and daughters. Not only that, but we are glad to get them back as teachers, not only those who have received instruction here, but any others of her ambitious sons and daughters who have prepared themselves to teach. Of those we have from beyond the placid waters of the classic Navasota, we are proud and don't you forget it, and our doors are wide open for still others who may wish to pitch their tents among us.

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