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:: COFFMAN NEWS ::

Mr. Roy Chase has been on the sick list the past week.

Miss Agnes Osborne of Omaha was the guest of W. H. Shields Sunday.

Mr. Fred Staben of Omaha was visiting home folks Sunday.

Mr. Wm. Sachs was visiting friends in South Omaha last week.

Miss Lizzie Osborne was visiting in Omaha last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Dewitt spent Monday at the home of the Rev. A. Hilke- man in Calhoun.

Mr. Peter J. Van Zago is building a large barn for Dr. Gifford.

Mr. John Woster of Benson was visit- ing at Gus Suveerkubb's last week.

Mr. Wilk Hier of Idaho is visiting his sister, Mrs. Herb Smith.

Mr. Will Hermon of Ohio is stop- ping with his uncle, Thomas Frerir.

Mr. Fred Martig has purchased forty acres of land from Paul Nelson on the south-east corner of the old Ryan place.

Mr. Peter Van Zago, reporter for the Florence Tribune, thinks the Tribune is the best paper ever published in Florence. It certainly is a boom for Florence.

Mr. Arthur Crombeck gave a birth- day party at her home Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Wm. Ewing expects to move to Omaha about the first of the month.

Miss Anna Potter was visiting at Thomas Peterson's Sunday.

Mr. Louis Lund was visiting home folks Sunday.

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Nothing finer can be found in wo- men than that kindness of heart and sweet sympathy which finds expres- sion in works of charity.—The Gentle- woman.

BRIGGS NEWS

Miss Ellen Kolle was surprised by about thirty of her girl friends Satur- day afternoon. All kinds of games were played and the little folks were served with refreshments. In the evening they all went to another sur- prise party on Miss Tena Alback.

Mr. Bena has put in a gas plant to light his house with.

Mr. Andrew Samland and Mr. Whit- more have had the misfortune of each losing a horse.

We had occasion to visit Mr. Henry Michael one day last week and we found that good seed corn, a manure spreader and proper cultivation pro- duce wonders in the corn line, ears weighing two lbs. and the kernels some of them almost three-fourths of an inch long.

Andrew and Henry Anderson caught two large opossums Saturday evening.

Washington county also boasts an airship inventor. Some time ago Mr. Speck killed a large fish and being an inventor of no small degree, decided to use the waste parts of the fish. Taking out the bladder he varnished this with fish oil thus making it air tight. This constituted the balloon part. For the car he used the ribs and stretched the skin tightly over them. The tail made a very good pro- peller, and he made the gills into a pair of bellows, thus furnishing the power. He has made quite a few suc- cessful trips in his airship. Being quite a curiosity it pays one to go a long distance to see it.

Mr. Fred White lost one of his horses Wednesday morning. It slipped on the ice and died almost instantly.

A birthday party at Dinken's. All reported an excellent time and stayed till late in the evening.

Uncle Ezra Says:
"They's just ez good fish in the sea as they is in the market, an' a hull lot fresher."—Boston Herald.

Duty Too Often Forgotten.
There is no duty we so much under- rate as the duty of being happy.—R. L. Stevenson.

Prodigal and Miser.
The prodigal robs his heir; the miser robs himself.—Bryere.

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