# The Ozona Stockman 



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None of us like to pay taxes. I certainly am no exception to the rule and
grumble as much as the next $\begin{aligned} & \text { But taxes } \mathrm{h} \text { a ve always } \\ & \text { been with us. In one form or }\end{aligned}$ another they can be found in all early societies of men.
The old Testament seems to The Old Testament seems to
indicate that the Jews had three tithes - $30 \%$ - which
supported their theocratic goverrmment. One of the op-
pressions of New Testament pressions of New Testament
times was the excessive taxation system of the Roman
Empire. Today taxes hit us from
three levels; national, state three levels; national, state,
and local. We perhaps grumble more about the federal levies than any other. But in view of the fact that almost $2 / 3$ of these to the defense
effort - paying for past wars effort - paying for past wars
waging present war, and waging present war, and
preparing for possible ne-
cessary defense against atcessary defense against at
tack on us as a nation tack on us as a nation
they are not likely to be greatly lowered. Nor would anyone of us want essent-
ial services needed to make ial services needed to make
our country secure from our country secure from
without and within neglect-
But what of state taxes?
In the fiscal year just ended In the fiscal year just ended
Texas spent two billion dolTexas spent two billion dol-
lars. What for? Eighty -six cents out of every
went for education, highweys, and welfare. Welfare
in Texas takes the form of in Texas takes the form of
institutional care for the institutional care for the
mentally disturbed, Tb hos-
pitals, public health propitals, public health proaid to blind, deaf, spastic
and dependent children. and dependent children.
Unless we wish to curtail these three very popular
forms of public service, we'll not cut state taxes very
much, in fact less than $15 \%$. much, in fact less than $15 \%$.
Local taxes also take a Local taxes also take a
healthy bite out of our inhealthy bite out of our in-
comes. Mrs. Curl and I own
a little house at Kerville. Last spring city and schooi
district brought in an outdistrict brought in an out-
side firm to equalize valua-
tions. Well, when they raised tions. Well, when they raised
my property valuation by $16 \%$, I howled just like you
probably would. By the way, probably would. By the way,
I appear good at howling, for I got the figure lowered below the original starting vaIuation, but then the School
Board upped the per centage Board upped the per centage
for tax valuation and the
rate, and I came out paying
a neat little increase. But I have no complaint.
I did not want my property I did not want my property
improperly valued at mare improperly valued at more
than its worth. But I am
happy to pay my part for happy to pay my part for
free public education. Some-

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 good, public libraries, and and hospitals are only a few or the many services providYes, we pay lots of taxes but we get lots of service.
And the good people of Crockett County are, according
to information coming to nemwormar, extremely for-
tunate in matters of taxatunate in matters of taxa-
tion at the local level. Hon at the local level. Large nitural ressurces, a conso-
lidated system of government for city and county,
well run civic offices and well run civic offices and
schools combine to make possible a minimum local Call Bill Watson, Watson's
ax.
Hurricane Beulah is still months to come in the severe wreckage it left behind. And as could be expected
open - hearted Americans open - hearted Americans
have moved in to aid disaster victims. The Red Cross, the Salvation Army, Church Werld Service, and othe groups are co-operating.
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cording to reports I hear respongding roports I hearh
in cash
and elothing and other supplies observed one small group einer s150 in a few minutes or Red Cross.
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proved by long years of serproved by long years of ser-
vice in many lands. In the fioed araa Red Cross he
feen caring for 144,000 refuogen caring for 144,000 refu-
gees in 266 centers for more than two weeks. Thousands of emergency needs are beng met by this agency now, tims losses of Beulah's vicut it is when the emergen- issued for repas ordacers will be y is over, when press and houschold and personal efwhen rehabilitation services flood waters. Several millions are needed that the Red of dollars winl silierely be spent. Cross really goes into action. 'No community can attest to
Then scores of case workers Red Cross service more than will be mobes of cased to begin the Red Cross service more than
Coss service more staggering task of catalogu- will likely give more geneing furniture, clothing and rous response.
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 fina products
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. John-
igan were hosts to the 42-
Club Thursday night at the
Club Thursday night at the
vic Center.
Mr. and Mrs. Max Schnee-
mann won high score prize,
with Mr. and Mrs. Eari Ac-
ton taking low. High guests
were Ross Hufstedler and
Mirs. Hugh Gray. Low guests
were Mr. and Mrs
Weres. The bingo prize went
to Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Curl
and the 84 -prize to Mr. and
Virs. Glenn Sutton.
Others present were Mr.
and Mrs. Leonard Boyd, Mr
and Mrs. Leonard Boyd, Mr.
and Mrs. Ivy Mayfield, Mr.
and Mrs. Haskell Leath, Mrs.
Herbert Kunkel, Mr. and Mrs.
W. W. Mitchell, Mrs. Wilma
Haye and Amal Alice pares
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Home Craft Fire Protec-
ion Chests at Stockman.
 Charlie Applewhite of Ozona, has pledged Alpha Phi sorority at East Texas State
University in Commerce University in Commerce.
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Sounds simple? Sounds fantastic? Convenient?
First how do you obtain such a card? It is by a simple process of checking a person's credit record with their local Credit Bureau. If your paying-record is good, prompt, "as agreed" - then you may be issued one of these card.

In our area we may not have such vending machines as yet, but we have something just as valuable and convenient and simple: That of having the privilege of making purchases from our local merchants and asking them to "charge it."

For this privilege, the same process is necessary - How do you take care of your local obligations? Is it "prompt", "as agreed", or " 30 days"? This is important to your credit record as it is kept by the local bureau - It is also very important to your very way of life. "Protect Your Credit - It is The Most Valuable Asset You Have."

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