## The Jockson County Journe <br> Publishod Weekly By <br> DAN TOMPKINS

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Entered as second class matter the Post Office at Sylva, N. C.
If Hitler won't behave, England is willing to take a Pole to him.
The readiness of England, France and Poland, appears
the hit out of Hitler.

An exchange announced the opening of a private "grammar" spelling in They should a

Spider over at Emma is sa have woven the word "War" into it web; but how would a spider know crisis than the rest of us.
This paper dislikes Hitler and most of his works; but we would feel more
sympathy for Poland in the presen sympathy for Poland in the presen
crisis that threatens her, if she had not been one of the small dogs barking at the heels of beset Checzoslivokia when that unhappy country was beleagured by the German hound, scarcely a year ago, hoping to
get a small slice of the meat after the kill.
The signing of a non-aggression treaty between Soviet Russia and Nazi Germany is as incongruous as
the story that was going the rounds the story that was going the rounds, game that was to be played between the Ku Klux Klan and the Knights oi Columbus for the benefit of the calling the game.

The Russo-German treaty has Teast brought the peoples of the Demmade them more loyal to their governments, has brought the Democra tic governments closer together, has upset the entire government ed Spain from the axis, and driven a weige into the axis itself, for the Italian people have no stomach
an ailiance with the Red Russian.

Jesse E. Rogers
In the death of J. E. Rogers, Jackson county lost one of her most hon-
ored and useful citizens. A man with a head full of common sense, a profound philosophy, and an eye single to the good of his community, county, Sate no and country, Mart in making Jackson county. He had firm convictions and the courage to stand by them.
He made his impress upon the county as a private citizen and as an of
ficial, on the Board of Education.

## Sensibilities Left

There was a near riot in Raleigh, the other day, over the fate of a mongiel pup. Showing that people have
scnisibiities left, even in this topsytrirvy world beset whats.
hates. newspaper reports; but according to them, a plain-clothes policeman call-
ci a puppy to him, and when the F:ij, cringing and wagging his his tail, got near enough, th
c:ficer grabbed him by the collar beat him to death with a blackjack and left him lying in the gutter on Fajetteville Street. This was in the riidst of the shopping hour, and a
crowd quickly gathered, threatening crowd officer, who hastily retreated. Women screamed, one suffered a scrious heart attack, others fainted and cursed. As the news spread the shops were emptied of customer and clerks as well. The angry crowd staged a near offered to whip all the policemen in town, two at a time Telephone calls were coming in to Cnamber of Commerce and city of ficials, demanding the punishmen oi the offending officer, and women
from nearby towns telephoned the oificers that unless summary punishment was immediately forthcoming, they would withdraw all trade from Raleigh shops.
The officer, in
The officer, in his own behalf, told superiors that he had been sent to tonk hold, the animal tried to bite him, forcing him to strike in selfdefense.
However, thát may be, the point
in the story as we see in the story as we see it, is the North large, are people with humane and refined sensibilities, and will not stand idly by and see a wonton cruel ty perpetrated, even upon a mon

## Arreement Withou

The development in world aff at has set the nations on their ears the announcement of non-aggres and Naz Germany.
For months the French and Brit For months the French and Bre tha he negotiations going on in the Rusian capital would soon lead to : reaty wherehy the Soviet Union ould become a powerful member of 16 Dem
oace.
Meantime Russian and Japan have Meantime Russian and time warfare iong the border in Asia. Russia ha yeen backing up the Chinese nationlists with munitions and planes; and Tapan has generally been considere s a member of the Berlin-RomeCokyo axis, opposing Englana, Frer on
nd Russia, with an eye ever nderica as a potential opponent of ier imperalistic and expansionis lans in the Orient.
Russia and Germany have been raditional enemies. In fact Hitle irst came to power by leading Gernan opposition it
nunism, and $i$ is upon such opposinunism, and that party is largely based The Spanish civil war, recently closed vas really a war waged between zussia as an ally of the Spanish comvunists on the one sider
nany and Italy on the other. Now, in the face of the impending orisis over Danzig and the Polish corridor, with the King of the Belgiums calling a conference of the maller European powers to mee and attempt to avertelly comes the announcement of the Russian-German treaty. It may mean nothing a all, and it may be the deciding factor that will give the totalitarianists the upper hand in the beset world, with the democracies standing helplessis by as their world crum anti-Chris heir eyes and the
There is a great deal to be taken to consideration. Japan has ob
viously been playing the Italio-Ger man game in the Orient, thereby hop ing to carry out the nefarious design of her military expansionists. And are Russia, first then England, then America. She coumted heavily upon the Italians and the Germans to keep England and France busy with European affairs, and Russia suf ficiently on guard to be afraid to engage her, while Americans
d over the policy of isolation. The Pusin treaty The Russian-Germa o a limb, as leaves Russia free to oppose Japa in any way she sees fit, and the Ja panese militarists evince keen dis appointment over the eventuaiity. On the other hand, it helps Japan that it of necessity forces England
keep more of her sea and land power close home, thus relieving the British pressure on the Nipponese. It shifts a much heavier burden upon England and France, if they hope to oppose Germany in European expansion; a burden which there
grave doubt of their ability to carry if they can't count on some assistanc from the Soviets.
But, can Germany and Russia trus ach other? It is true that they ar ooth totalitarian states, and the treat somewhat in the nature of a wed 3 ing of totalitarianism. But, the on
epresents Communism and the oth r National Socialism, two distinc and antagonistic brands of totalitaranism.
both nawons are notorious for go g back upon their pledged wor henever it suits the ambitions
eir leaders. Nobody outside jeir leaders. Nobody would put the slightes aith in any treaty to which Hitler or Stalin would put his name. Both of them have gone back on their word and their friends, both inside and outside their own countries on so nany occasions, that the pledged ipon which it is written.
Hitler knows all this about Stalin and Stalin knows it about Hitler. So won't the treaty lead to intensification of spying one upon the other ti ach an extent that the treaty wil reak down of its own accord?
It suits these two to agree treaty today. Perhaps, next week or the other will find it expedien
throw in with somebody else. If the treaty of totalitarianism ults in the democracies being shunt ble up whatever they desire, it i reasonable to suppose that sooner of later this unnatural alliance wil break up, and the Communists ane National Socialists
each other's throat
Events move so rapidly these days that even the brightest minds ant with informed are unable to keep $u$ the future for good or evil.


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