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A Healthy Situation

As any merchant in this country will tell you, the Soviet market is back. That means competition is more intense now than at any time since the last great war.

This is a perfectly normal development in a country which is dedicated to the ideal of the maximum amount of freedom for all—including economic freedom. It is also healthy, and works to the long-range advantage of all concerned. There are some, of course, who don't like it—those who feel that competition is in danger of reaching the old-fashioned goal. But for the most part this comes from people who had forgotten or had not experienced real competition, and had benefited from the artificial conditions produced by the wars.

In any event, we get our best pictures of how competition works at the retail level. It is a very favorable picture to the consumer. The prices of many commodities have declined. The prices of relatively few have risen. There are no shortages.

Dogs By The Billion

During the 14-week period that began with the Soviet market's return, 2,624,640,000 hot dogs, stringing that would girdle the earth about 8 times, will be consumed in this country! That works out to 221 of the dogs for every man, woman and child between the ages of five and sixty.

The hot dog, obviously, is a true and lasting American institution. It's as indigenous as apple pie. To millions of us, there would be a sad lack in the best of ball games without a "red hot" or two and something cold to wash it down with. The hot dog stands are as much a part of carnivals as the rides and the sideshows and the buskers. And the hot dog is a key element in the home barbecue trend which has developed enormously in late years.

This season's consumption, incidentally, will be eight per cent over last's. The good old hot dog gets more popular all the time.

July 4 Observed Quietly Wednesday; July 3, 1880 Copy Missing From Files

Thursday, July 5, 1934

With the exception of the closing of the banks and postoffice, there was no observance of the Fourth in Carlisle Wednesday, the day and the day passed off quietly.

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A number of men from Indiana have been in the county during the past two weeks gathering muscle shells from Licking river. Two or three carloads have been shipped. The muscle shells are used in the manufacture of buttons.

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W. E. Hill, well known farmer residing on the Miller Station road near town, suffered a fractured rib and bruises Thursday when he fell from a wagon loaded with hay while hauling hay on his farm.

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A truck load of Sunday pickickers from Indiana and Fleming counties, returning from a day's outing in Mineral county Sunday was attacked with rocks thrown by unknown persons on the Flatlick-Sharpsburg, Sunday afternoon. The six-months-old child of Ellis Jolly, of Pleasant Valley, was struck in the forehead and severely injured. The child was treated by a physician in Sharpsburg, and later removed to its home.

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The local relief committee received a shipment of 14,000 pounds of potatoes for distribution among families on relief rolls. An average family is approximately 637 pounds per family is being given out.

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Harry Miller's family is moving to Howard Dorsey and Stewart Dorsey qualified in county court Tuesday as administrators of the estate of their mother, Mrs. Mattie R. Dorsey.

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Mr. Pfuentel, a son, on Wednesday morning, July 4 at the Good Samaritan hospital, Lexington.

DIED—Mrs. Lula Mountcastle, at her home on West Main street Saturday night following a long illness.—Mrs. Mariah Carter of West Main street received a telegram from Kansas City, Mo., Thursday announcing the death of her brother, Tobe Kincart, whose death occurred on Thursday morning.

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70 YEARS AGO—The issue of The Mercury for July 7, 1880, is missing from our files. Publication will be resumed next week.)

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Last Days Of The 83rd Congress

With Congress rounding the final and turning into the home stretch, it finds itself faced with a considerable amount of work, to be completed in short order, if it is to leave of Washington on the hoped-for date of August 7.

The number of major pieces of legislation which still remain in the unfinished mill swelling final action are the General Reinsurance Corporation Act, being enacted to renew the Internal Revenue Code; the Housing Act of 1954; the Public Health Grant in Aid Amendments of 1954, to assist in the extension and improvement of public health services; the Social Security Amendments which will extend social security benefits to many new persons, not now covered, and to increase the payments to those now covered; the Mutual Security Act, to promote the security and foreign policy of the United States; and the all-important General Farm Bill which affects the welfare and stability of our entire economy, all the way from the field to the housewife's shopping basket.

With this impressive array of work still to be done, Congress will undoubtedly mean that many important items will be jammed and crowded into the few remaining days before adjournment. It is not probable that any major legislation will be able to get away to breathe its own air in the time and space provided by the scheduled adjournment date. Congress