

Latin American Report

Romantic Argentina's True Wealth Lies Unromantically In Its Beef, Says Writer

By WILLIAM L. F. HORSEY United Press International Buenos Aires - (UPI) - The American diner would shudder at a \$220 tab for a steak. But that's what it would cost him for a piece of meat from one of Argentina's prize Aberdeen Angus bulls.

Which emphasizes that the true wealth of this romantic South American nation lies most unromantically in its beef.

This year's annual stock show in Palermo Grounds drove home this fact once again in president and peasant alike. Black and brown bulls as big as railroad box cars emphasized that in cattle lies the real wealth of the nation.

Millionaire stockmen from all parts of the world gasped as public bidding on "Meridiano Julius 19" passed the five million peso (\$60,000) mark. When it stopped at 11-million pesos, (\$134,000) spontaneous cheers rang through the old pavilion.

The price was an all-time world record.

Argentina's Mississippi

One of the world's great river systems which penetrates to the heart of South America is coming back into its own despite the age of jet planes.

The Parana, Paraguay and Uruguay rivers are vast navigable waterways linking Argentina, Uruguay, Brazil, Paraguay and Bolivia. For that reason, they are international and their international character is written into the Argentine constitution.

The river Plate estuary - the ocean entrance to this maze of channels - is 160 miles wide at its mouth. Li-

ners up to 30,000 tons can dock at Buenos Aires, 170 miles from the mouth; freighters of 10,000 tons can reach Rosario at 400 miles up and of 6,000 tons to Santa Fe, which is 550 miles up. Shallow draft river steam-

Winds Blamed for Chutists' Injuries

Ft. Bragg, N. C. - (UPI) - Military officials blamed turbulent winds and a navigational error Thursday for causing 37 paratroopers taking part in a massive jump to receive injuries from falling into wooded areas.

Eighteen paratroopers from the 82nd Airborne division were hospitalized Wednesday as a result of being blown into trees during a mock combat exercise.

An Air Force spokesman said a C119 troop carrier from which most of the injured jumped, flew off course because of a navigational error. Only about 20 of the 320 men in eight troop carriers actually landed in the sandy loam drop zone.

Portland Consumer Prices Unchanged

Portland - (UPI) - Consumer prices in Portland remained unchanged between April and July, according to the regional office of the U. S. Department of Labor.

The July gasoline price war was listed as the reason. Prices declined as much as 3 cents a gallon to offset increased prices in most major groups of family spending.

The Consumer Price Index for Portland, however, was 127.5, for July, 1.1 per cent higher than for July, 1959.

ers, even three-deck passenger vessels of up to 3,000 tons can reach Asuncion, capital of Paraguay during most of the year, a distance of 1,110 miles, while a Brazilian shipping line operates a regular freight service from Porto Alegre in southern Brazil as far up as Corumba in the Matto Grosso and almost 2,000 miles from the sea. Argentina has learned from the Mississippi too.

Therefore, it is not strange that in recent years in Mississippi shipyards around Pascagoula, that she has had built fleets of powerful "pusher" tugs with square bows.

Argentina has faith in river transport for passengers too, although there are both land plane and flying boat services between Buenos Aires and Asuncion. The state-operated river fleet has just ordered three crack luxurious passenger ships in Spanish yards and a fourth is being built in the Argentine naval yards at Rio Santiago.

Collision Kills Six

Belgrade, Yugoslavia - (UPI) - Six persons were killed and 18 injured Thursday when a speeding passenger train collided with a stationary freight in Bihac, 200 miles west of Belgrade. The engineer who leaped from the cab of the passenger train at the last minute, said the signals were not working.



JUMPS TRACKS - At least 20 persons were injured when four cars of this New York Central train jumped the tracks at Indian Harbor, Ind., Wednesday. The 11-car train was believed to have been travel-

ing about 80 miles an hour when the derailment occurred. The train was en route from Cleveland to Chicago. A railroad worker looks over damage of one of the cars. (UPI Telephoto)

Negro Actor Says Race Accurately Portrayed in Film, 'Raisin in the Sun'

By VERNON SCOTT UPI Hollywood Correspondent Hollywood - (UPI) - Negro actor Sidney Poitier said today his race finally has been accurately portrayed in motion pictures.

An intense man with strong feelings about his race, Poitier said, "For the first time Negroes are appearing in a play that was written by a Negro who understands our people."

"Portrayal of Negro life in America since 1900 has been restricted to stereotypes. White writers always have considered members of my race as semi-literate. Therefore they placed them in positions of servitude. Frequently they were placed in stories where racial identification was the only reason for appearing in a film or play.

"White writers don't realize that a man can be in the lowest economic order and illiterate, and still be an interesting, dimensional human animal who has hopes and

dreams that are not one-dimensional." With this in mind, Poitier added that Negro playwright Lorraine Hansberry's "A Raisin in the Sun" is a victory for his people.

Sidney starred in the play on Broadway, and currently is making the movie version for Columbia Pictures.

He said "Raisin" is the first story about Negroes in which the characters are human beings - first and Negroes incidentally.

"No other playwright has come within a thousand miles of depicting Negroes so accurately," he added.

"The character I play wants a feeling of acceptance and belonging. He is no different from any other American living by the dollar value. The play and movie transcend 'Negroes'."

He went on to say that the stereotype Negro never was typical of his race. "There still are such prototypes

among us, but they are a minority and they always were," he said. "These caricatures are disappearing as writers, both white and Negro, have come to understand the problems and feelings of Negroes. And, most important of all, there is a feeling of responsibility toward my race."

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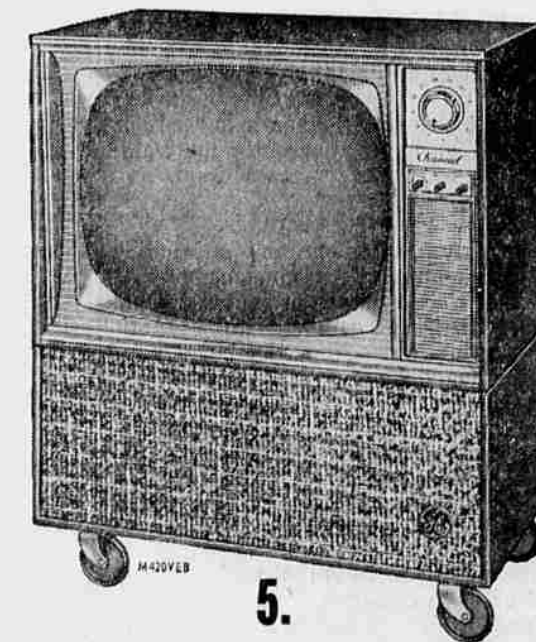
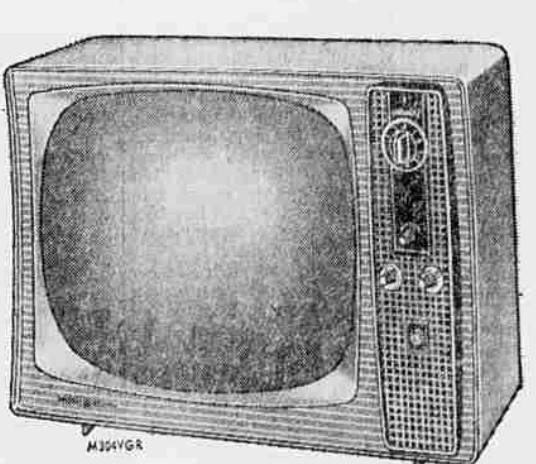
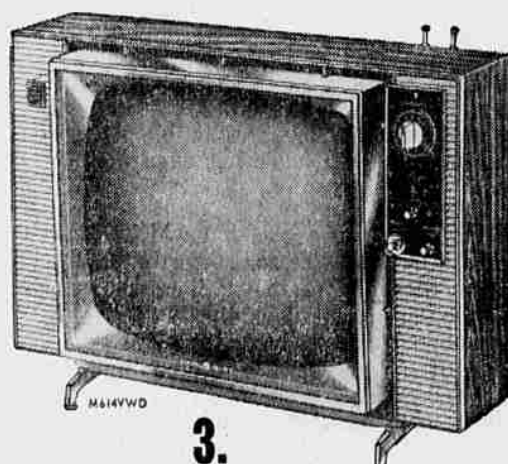
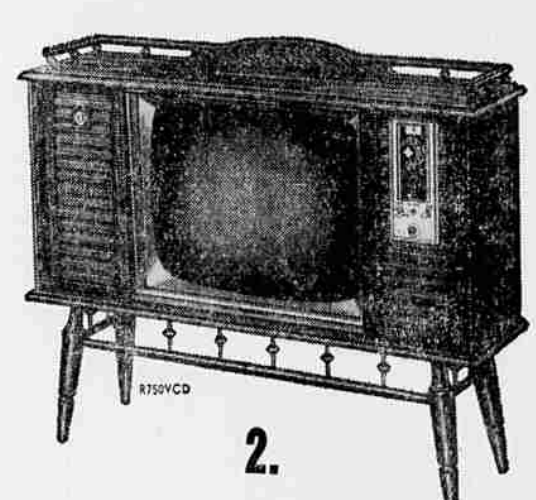
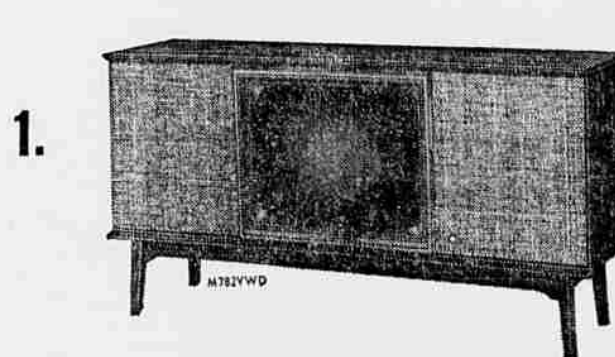
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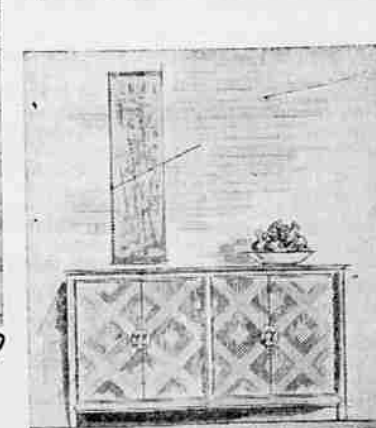
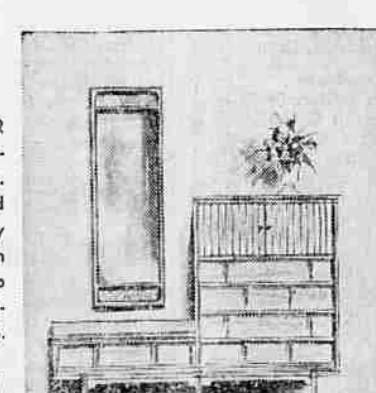
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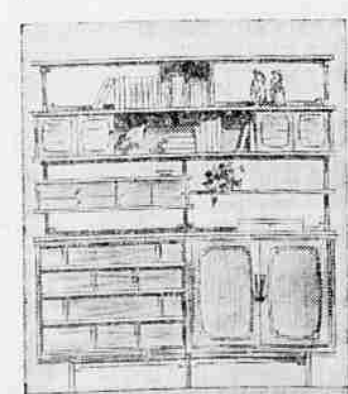


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