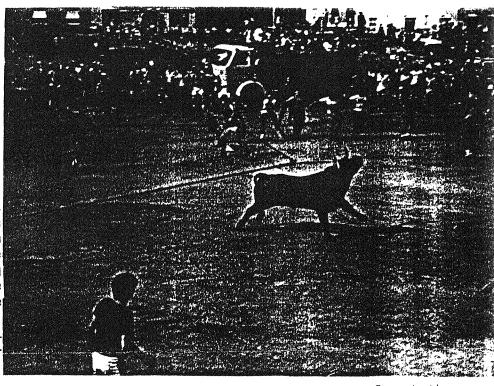
ROPED/FIRE BULL

Though the photo was taken in Amposta-Tarragona (Catalonia-Spain), it occurs EVERYWHERE in Spain. In Fiestas Populares (Popular Festivals-traditions) bulls are tortured to total exhaustation and only death brings them liberation from useless suffering. These fe tivals happen during spring and summer sponsored by the town's City Council and the Church. Several bulls are bought which are not useful for fights and also sponsored by Spanish Government.



They tie around his head and horns a long and strong rope that comes out from both sides in such a way that allows 15 to 20 men to pull the rope on each side and drag the bull throughout the entire town, 3 times a day, and receiving at the same time from the populace all kinds of attacks, throughout the entire week. From balconies people throw at him icecubes as his feet bleed from being forced to incessantly run on the hot asphalt for so long, but the participants instead get them to cool off themselves.

The last days of festival, when the bull is totally exhausted, starved, frightened, and dying from so much and so long suffering, they then place 2 balls of fire on the head, between his horns at night and they shut off all lights in an enclosed place where the participants force the bull to run after them, but he can't see anything because apart from being myope, the fire runs over his eyes burning them totally and rendering him completely blind. The shouts and shrieks of the populace torment and disorient him so he runs towards them thinking that's a place where he could hide or escape.

He also tries to escape the intense burning pain and terror by trying to shut off the fire by burying his horns in the earth but to no avail since all he gets is the hard pavement. The fire burns the nerves of the horns and he gets mad with pain and desperation. When the festival is over, they kill and eat him.

This feeling of the bull's impotence, helplessness, the visible pain, the terible desperate growlings, the constant attacks and his painful reaction, all are the factors that give a thrill to the drunk, ignoramus and degenerate aficionados (fans) to the fiestas taurinas (bull festivals). Unfortunately, the rest of the world is not aware of these kinds of torture who thinks that the only horror is the bullfights but those festivals are the beginning for young people to get adicted to the fiesta. Those festivals are never televised, and even catalan people ignore them.

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