Dinner and A Book Episode 602

## A Traditional Caribbean Meal

# **Ropas Viejas (Torn Clothes) and Black Beans**

1 pound skirt steak, brisket or flank steak. Brown and simmer for 2 hours.

# To make the spices (Sofrito)

Mix 1 tablespoons each of garlic powder, oregano and cumin. In the meantime, shred meat into shreds on a cutting board. In a casuela (metal cooking pot) put olive oil. Put meat into the casuela and saute. Add slices of onion, green pepper, sofrito, 1 can tomato puree 1/2 cup white wine Simmer. Add 1 cup chopped pimento stuffed olives as the final touch.

## **Black Beans**

Cook 1 chopped onion and 1 sliced green pepper in olive oil. Saute. Add 1 can of black beans and sprinkle in 2 pinches of sugar. Simmer

Serve the Ropas Viejas and Black Beans with rice.

#### For dessert

serve a Caramel flan.

#### For a drink

mix fresh lime juice, some frozen lime concentrate, a little sugar and rum. Mix well. Serve with sliced lemons and limes.