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Dallas, Tex., Aug. 19 (AP)- The former Marina Oswald and her husband of three months patched up their marriage today after a stormy overnight row which featured a slap in the face and a claim of pistol waving.

The ties were tentatively knotted again after a private conference in the office of Justice of the Peace W.E. Richburg. They left after agreeing to consult a marriage counselor.

Neither was smiling.

Marina, 24, is the widow of Lee Harvey Oswald, who assassinated President Kennedy Nov. 22, 1963. She married Kenneth Jess Porter, 27, an electronics worker, after a whirlwind courtship.

Marina filed an affidavit yesterday asking that a peace bond be issued against her husband. Peace bonds are intended to prevent harassment or bodily harm.

Porter was arrested, then released during the night under \$1,500 bond posted by his attorney.

The blue-eyed, Russian-born young woman complained formally that Porter struck her in the face and frightened her with a .38 caliber pistol.

Porter's lawyer, Charles Tessmen, told Richburg he would have the pistol delivered to the court to be impounded.

Porter earlier today declared his love for Marina. At a news conference, he admitted slapping the slight Marina during an argument.

He said he returned home to find Marina at a neighbor's home and her two small children alone in the house, and that set off the dispute.

He said he only put the pistol behind him and then went to sleep. Porter denied threatening his wife with the weapon.

Richburg, 61, lectured the Porters for 15 minutes in the court before dismissing the peace bond.

Richburg, noted for his informal justice, told the pair:

"A burden has been place on the people of this city (since the presidential assassination in Dallas), and this matter doesn't help it any."

"You're ⁱⁿ a little different position than most people," Richburg said.

When Marina came to the hearing, she told the justice she wished to speak to her husband alone because "I don't want to air my private life."

Richburg told Porter that he would order another peace bond if necessary, but he felt it would not be required.

"We've had enough trouble here," Richburg said.

Oswald was shot to death by Jack Ruby, night club operator, two days after Oswald killed Kennedy. Ruby's death sentence is being appealed.

Marina took along her two children, June Lee, 3, and Rachel, 2, when she asked for a peace bond yesterday. Among other things, she said Porter threatened to kill himself. Porter when was arrested and held until the bond was posted.

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