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MR. AND MRS. ARISTOTLE SOCRATES ONASSIS leaving chapel on island of Skorprios after ceremony yesterday. About 25 relatives and friends attended the wedding of the former Mrs. John F. Kennedy and Greek millionaire.

'Very Happy' Mrs. Kennedy and Onassis Married

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ATHENS, Oct. 20 — Jacqueline Kennedy became Mrs. Aristotle Socrates Onassis today in a candle-lit wedding ceremony in a tiny chapel among the cypress trees on the island of Skorprios.

The 39-year-old widow of President Kennedy, two inches taller than her new husband, stood beside the 62-year-old multimillionaire during a 30-minute ceremony and gazed intently at the officiating Greek Orthodox prelate.

Her two children, Caroline,

10, and John, 7, flanked the couple, holding two slim white candles.

Rain was falling outside—Greeks believe this is good luck on a wedding day—as the couple walked around the altar three times in the dance of Isaiah, the traditional closing rite of the Greek Orthodox service.

The bride, long on the best-dressed lists, wore a beige chiffon two-piece dress with a pleated skirt just below the knee. In her hair was a ribbon of the same color. Her low-heeled shoes also matched. The dress was

designed by the Italian couturier Valentino, a current international favorite.

As she came to the church, she appeared bright-faced in the rain. "We are very happy," she said.

Mr. Onassis wore a double-breasted blue suit and a red tie.

"Do Thou now, Master, send down Thine hand from Thy holy dwelling place and unite Thy servants, Aristotle and Jacqueline, for by Thee woman is united to man," said the 32-year-old prelate, the Right Rev. Polycarpus Athanassiou of the Church of

St. Katnikarea in downtown Athens. The church is the chapel of Athens University.

The priest, who has a black beard and wore a gold robe, told reporters that he first met Mr. Onassis in 1964 while he was serving as deacon under Archbishop Iakovos, the Greek Orthodox Archbishop of North and South America.

About 25 persons—relatives and friends only—crowded into the tiny, white-washed chapel, which was decorated with small gar-

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denia trees. Some guests had to stand along the walls of the 75-year-old chapel.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh D. Auchincloss, the bride's mother and stepfather; Prince and Princess Stanislas Radziwill, her brother-in-law and sister, and their two children, and two sisters of President Kennedy, Mrs. Stephen Smith and Mrs. Patricia Lawford.

Also there were Mr. Onassis' two children by his first wife—Alexander, 20 years old, and Christina, 18. His sister, Mrs. Artemis Garofalides, served as the sponsor, the equivalent of attendant.

The couple exchanged rings during the ceremony, which was conducted mostly in Greek. Then came the crowning of the couple with white wreaths connected by a white ribbon. Mrs. Garofalides exchanged the wreaths three times over their heads.

After the ceremony, the couple emerged in a driving rain with Mrs. Onassis smiling and Mr. Onassis saying to a reporter, "I feel very well, my boy."

Caroline With Couple

They climbed into a small yellow golf car. With Caroline sitting on her mother's knee, they drove off for the Onassis yacht, the Christina. John Jr. came along later.

At the yacht, on which the couple will take their wedding trip, champagne began to flow in the ship's big dining room and bar, which is equipped with stools covered with whaleskin.

The couple were intent on keeping the ceremony as private as possible. Motorboats of the Greek Coast Guard patrolled the Ionian Sea and Mr. Onassis' own security men covered the island.

Press coverage was limited to a small group of cameramen and reporters, who were kept outside the church. They briefed their colleagues on their return to Athens tonight, under a pool arrangement. The films were also shared.

The reporters on the island were kept outside the chapel by a United States Secret Service agent, who wore a "PT 109" tiepin, which President Kennedy often gave to friends and associates.

Even after the Orthodox ceremony, the question of Mrs. Onassis' future relations with the Roman Catholic Church remains unanswered.

Contacts Reported

Rumors circulated in Athens today of contacts between Mrs. Onassis and the hierarchy of the Roman Catholic Church, which forbids its members to marry divorced persons. Under extraordinary circumstances, the Roman Rota, the church's supreme marriage court, can grant an annulment, declaring that there never was a valid marriage. Such a decision, for example, was granted to Mrs. Onassis' sister. Her earlier marriage, to Michael Canfield, was annulled.

Mr. Onassis was divorced by

Athina Mary Livanos, a member of another wealthy Greek family and now the Marchioness of Blandford, in Alabama in 1960. The divorce was subsequently approved by an ecclesiastical court of the Orthodox Church in New York.

A church spokesman here said the only condition attached to the marriage today was a pledge that any future children would be raised in the Orthodox faith.

Mr. Onassis, a stocky, gray-haired man who likes to wear sunglasses, is a legend in Greece because of his rise from poverty to his position as one of the world's richest men, his flare for grand living, his publicized romances, and his ability to befriend famous people. He also draws attention because of his occasional flings in Athens night clubs, where he is known to have smashed pottery to the music of the bouzouki.

He was born in Smyrna, now Izmir, the son of a well-to-do Greek tobacco merchant. He and his family fled the city in Asia Minor after the Turks captured it in 1922 and went to Greece. The young Onassis left Europe at the age of 16 and went to Argentina, arriving there with about \$100.

Mystery About His Age

It was at this time that the mystery of Mr. Onassis' age developed. He later said that he had added six years to his rightful age in order to qualify for a job he wanted in Argentina. While he gives his age now as 62, those who have seen his passport say it lists him as 68.

After working as a telephone operator and at other minor jobs, he went into the export-import business. By the time he was in his mid-twenties, he had raised enough money to buy some freighters. He built his first tanker before World War II, and at its end, he decided to go into the tanker business in a big way.

He married his first wife in

List of Guests

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ATHENS, Oct. 20—Following, as distributed by the staff of Aristotle S. Onassis, is a list of the guests at his wedding to Mrs. Kennedy:

THE BRIDE'S RELATIVES

John F. Kennedy Jr. and Caroline Kennedy, her children.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh D. Auchincloss, her stepfather and mother;

Mrs. Stephen Smith and Mrs. Patricia Lawford, sisters of the late President, and Prince and Princess Stanislas Radziwill, the bride's brother-in-law and sister, and their two children; Anthony and Christina.

THE BRIDEGROOM'S RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Alexander and Christina Onassis, children of his first marriage.

Mrs. Artemis Garofalides, his sister, who served as sponsor.

Mr. and Mrs. Yerasimos Patronicolous, his half-sister, and her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Panos Drakos, his niece and her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Kokkims, friends and business associates from Monte Carlo.

Mr. and Mrs. Joannis Georgakis, managing director of Olympic Airways.

New York immediately after the war. She is a daughter of the late Stavros Livanos, then the richest Greek in shipping. She was 17 years old, more than 20 years his junior.

He ran into difficulties with the United States authorities when he purchased some surplus naval vessels from the Government in 1954. Only American corporations were eligible to buy the ship, and the United States moved against him because he had provided the financing for an American corporation. He was arrested, indicted and released on bail.

Finally, after years of negotiations, he settled the case with the Government and paid \$7-million.

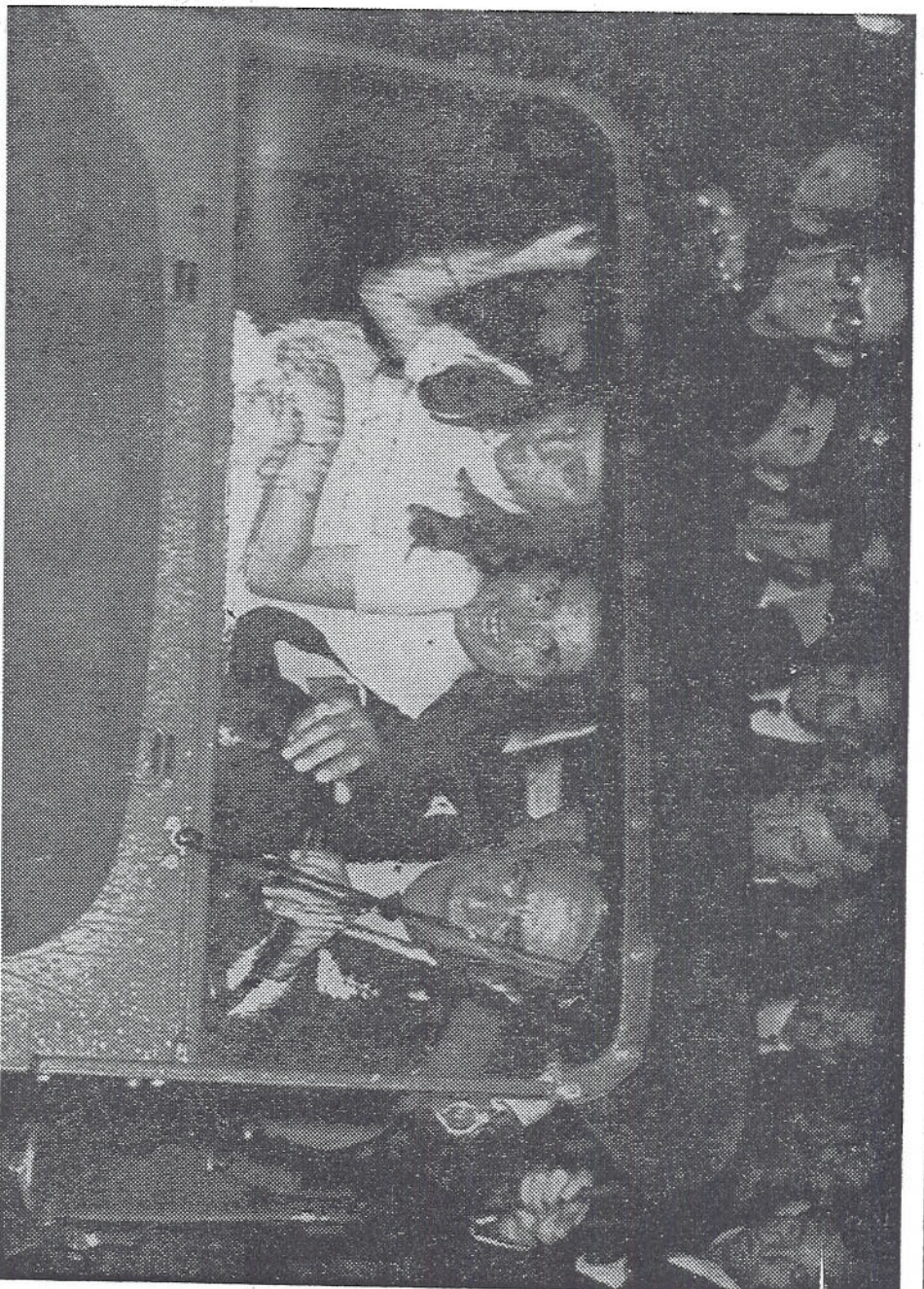
His personal wealth, meanwhile, was rising by the day. While all Greeks might not like the way he does business, they agree that he has the nerve and gambling spirit characteristic of tycoons. The estimates vary, but his total wealth, which includes control of some 30 companies, is said to be somewhere around \$500-million. He owns a merchant fleet larger than that of most countries.

It was the beginning of a new life for the former Jacqueline Lee Bouvier, whose first husband, President John F. Kennedy, was assassinated in



RAIN A SIGN OF GOOD LUCK: Umbrella shields Mr. and Mrs. Aristotle S. Onassis and Caroline Kennedy as they left chapel. Greeks hold that rain on wedding day is good luck.

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LEAVING FOR RECEPTION: Mr. and Mrs. Onassis with Caroline Kennedy in the golf cart they drove to the wedding reception aboard the Christina, the Onassis yacht. The reception was limited to close friends and relatives.

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DURING RECEPTION: Mrs. Onassis aboard the yacht Christina following wedding ceremony on Skorpios Island.

Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963. They had been married 10 years.

That new life will provide her with opportunities for complete seclusion on an island or a yacht far from New York City. It will also involve the hectic pace of a busy hostess, entertaining travelers and industrialists, members of royalty and leaders of the arts, and those who belong to that vague community known as international society.

Wide Range of Guests

Her husband, who rose from rags to tankers, is known not only for his far-reaching business interests but also for the company he has kept and the hospitality he has afforded to notables, ranging from Winston Churchill to members of the jet set.

For her travels, she will now have at her disposal Mr. Onassis' transportation network—ships, helicopters, amphibious planes and the Boeing jets of Olympic Airways, which he owns.

Mr. Onassis met his wife and her first husband when Mr. Kennedy was still a Senator from Massachusetts. Mr. Onassis made his yacht available to them for brief cruises. After the assassination, he was among the first to call and offer condolences.

His bride was aboard the yacht and the island this summer, and he has recently visited her in New York, Rhode Island and Hyannisport, Mass. Even so, the word of the engagement, announced by the

bride's mother, last Thursday, came as a complete surprise.

The wedding marked the end of the Secret Service protection that has surrounded the former First Lady since assassination, although by law the children may still be kept under guard at her option.

The engagement ended speculation in the world press about whom Mrs. Kennedy would turn to. She had told friends occasionally that she wanted to remarry but could not find a man of the equal of John Kennedy. Lord Harlech, a widower and the British Ambassador in Washington when the Kennedys were in the White House, was most frequently mentioned. But she was often seen with others in New York.

Although Mrs. Onassis is planning to return to New York, where her children have been in school, she undoubtedly will be traveling considerably. Apart from his yacht and island, Mr. Onassis owns a villa in Monte Carlo, a penthouse in Paris, a hacienda at Montevideo, Uruguay, and a mansion outside Athens. The couple have said they would retain the bride's cooperative apartment in New York at 1040 Fifth Avenue. Mr. Onassis has maintained a suite at the Hotel Pierre.