

# Alvarez Divorce Final

Hortencia (Tangee) Alvarez received an uncontested divorce yesterday from Lieutenant Commander Everett Alvarez, whom she had married eight months before he was shot down in Vietnam.

The 35-year-old pilot, who spent eight and a half years in North Vietnamese prison camps and was the captive held the longest by Hanoi, did not attend the hearing in the Oakland courtroom of Superior Court Judge Lyle E. Cook of Alameda county.

But he did pay the \$750 fee of his ex-wife's lawyer, Har-

old Silberman of San Leandro.

Mrs. Alvarez, who received a Mexican divorce in 1970 and then married Andres R. Gonzales, filed divorce proceedings last fall, while Alvarez was still in prison camp, after learning the Mexican divorce was not considered legal here.

Mrs. Alvarez, who was granted a divorce on the grounds of irreconcilable differences, said that when the decree becomes final she will marry Gonzales for a second time.

Under the terms of the settlement, Mrs. Alvarez will be allowed to retain the

family allotments she got from the Navy from 1964 until 1970, when the payments were discontinued following her Mexican divorce.

It was agreed that she will not share in any potential income tax refunds due to Alvarez for the period he was in prison.

The pilot's lawyer, William L. Dunbar of Oakland, reported that Alvarez had returned to the Oakland Naval Hospital for a brief stay. Following his release, Alvarez plans to take a trip around the country, Dunbar said, and then write a book about his experiences in prison.