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OPTIONAL LEAD MARINA WEBS (TO PROVIDE FIRST-DAY APPROACH)

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FATE, TEX., JUNE 2 (AP)—MARINA OSWALD, THE WIDOW OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S ASSASSIN, AND A 27-YEAR-OLD ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN SHE MET A MONTH AGO, WERE MARRIED YESTERDAY IN THIS SMALL FARMING COMMUNITY NEAR DALLAS.

MRS. OSWALD AND HER NEW HUSBAND, KENNETH J. PORTER, A DIVORCEE WITH TWO CHILDREN, TOOK UP RESIDENCE TODAY IN HER WHITE BRICK HOUSE ON A QUIET RESIDENTIAL STREET IN THE DALLAS SUBURB OF RICHARDSON.

THE PRETTY, RUSSIAN-BORN BLONDE AND PORTER MET A MONTH AGO AT THE HOME OF FRIENDS WHERE PORTER WAS STAYING, JUST TWO DOORS FROM MRS. OSWALD'S HOME.

THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY X X X 4TH GRAF PREV.

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THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY, PERFORMED IN THE OFFICE OF A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, FOLLOWED A HECTIC DAY IN WHICH THE COUPLE WENT TO DURANT, OKLA., FOR A BLOOD TEST AND TO SHERMAN, TEX. FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE.

~~THEY AVOIDED A THREE-DAY TEXAS WAITING PERIOD BY GETTING THE BLOOD TESTS IN OKLAHOMA.~~

THE WEDDING PARTY, WHICH INCLUDED A BEST MAN AND A WOMAN ATTENDANT, ELUDED NEWSMEN LEAVING DURANT.

MRS. BILL CLARK, A NEIGHBOR, SAID THE COUPLE MET SHORTLY AFTER PORTER, A FRIEND OF HER SON JOE, MOVED INTO A ROOM AT THE CLARK HOUSE.

MRS. OSWALD APPARENTLY LIKED PORTER FROM THE BEGINNING, JOE CLARK RELATED, AND CONFIDED RECENTLY THAT SHE LOVED HIM. HE SAID PORTER "WAS CRAZY ABOUT" MRS. OSWALD'S TWO YOUNG DAUGHTERS BUT "HAD KEPT PRETTY QUIET ABOUT THEIR PLANS."

THE NEWLYWEDS ARRIVED AT ^{Marina's} THEIR HOME ^{in Richardson} HERE HOURS AFTER THE CEREMONY. THEY ALLOWED PICTURES BUT ANSWERED FEW QUESTIONS FROM NEWSMEN.

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THE BRIDE, WEARING A WHITE DRESS WITH BOWS ON THE SKIRT, SAID

SHE FELT "WONDERFUL--I JUST WANT TO BE ALONE WITH MY HUSBAND."

TO A LATER QUESTION, SHE SAID SHE HAD WANTED "TO MARRY A TEXAN," PORTER, A SIX-FOOTER WITH BLACK WAVY HAIR, HAD EVEN LESS TO SAY. HE APPEARED UNCOMFORTABLE IN THE PUSHING THROG OF NEWSMEN.

AFTER ONLY A FEW MINUTES AT THE HOUSE, LARGELY OUT OF SIGHT OF REPORTERS AND CAMERAS, THE COUPLE LEFT FOR AN UNDISCLOSED DESTINATION.

PORTER TELEPHONED YESTERDAY TO TEXAS INSTRUMENTS, INC., WHERE HE WORKS, SAYING HE WOULD BE ABSENT. LAST NIGHT, HE ASKED TO BE OFF TODAY, AND HIS REQUEST WAS GRANTED, A SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE TEXAS INSTRUMENTS SPOKESMAN SAID PORTER HAS TWO WEEKS REMAINING ON HIS THREE-WEEK VACATION AND CAN TAKE THEM ANY TIME, STARTING THIS WEEK IF HE LIKES.

A DALLAS REPORTER AND PHOTOGRAPHER, TIPPED ABOUT THE WEDDING PLANS, STARTED FOLLOWING THE COUPLE AT 6 A.M. YESTERDAY AS THEY BEGAN A 90 MILE DRIVE TO DURANT. NEWSMEN LOST THE TRAIL, HOWEVER, AS THE PARTY DOUBLED BACK TO SHERMAN FOR THE MARRIAGE LICENSE.

MRS. MARY CHUMBLEY, A DEPUTY CLERK AT THE COURTHOUSE, SAID THEY "SEEMED ANXIOUS TO GET AWAY, TO ESCAPE PUBLICITY. SHE DIDN'T ASK MRS. OSWALD A USUAL QUESSTION ABOUT PREVIOUS MARRIAGES BECAUSE "I ALREADY KNEW THAT."

THEY DECLINED AN OFFER TO CALL A SHERMAN PREACHER. PORTER IS A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH OF CHRIST AND HIS BRIDE A MEMBER OF THE GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH.

AT ROCKWALL, JUST NORTHEAST OF DALLAS, SHERIFF W. J. PRICE SAID THE BEST MAN--IDENTIFIED ONLY BY THE NAME OF WOOLRIDGE--KNOCKED AT HIS BACK DOOR TO ASK WHERE THEY COULD FIND A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

SINCE THAT OFFICIAL WAS OUT OF TOWN, PRICE ESCORTED THEM TO JUSTICE OF THE PEACE CARL LEONARD JR. IN THE NEIGHBORING VILLAGE OF FATE, WHERE LEONARD ALSO RUNS A GARAGE.

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"I DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS MARINA OSWALD UNTIL THE SHERIFF INTRODUCED HER," SAID LEONARD, WHO WAS PLOWING. "I WAS STILL DRESSED IN MY BACK YARD KHAKIS.

"I'D HAVE PERFORMED THE CEREMONY IN THE HOUSE BUT I'D LEFT MY BOOK AT THE OFFICE AND THEY WERE IN A HURRY . . . SAID THEY WERE TRYING TO STAY OUT OF SIGHT OF REPORTERS . . . I JUST READ THE REGULAR DOUBLE RING CIVIL CEREMONY . . .

"I COULD HARDLY UNDERSTAND WHAT SHE WAS SAYING BECAUSE OF HER RUSSIAN ACCENT, BUT SHE DID A GOOD JOB OF REPEATING AFTER ME. AFTERWARD THE BRIDE SAID SHE KNEW THEY'D BE VERY HAPPY."

FRIENDS SAID THE COUPLE DROVE TO A RECEPTION IN DALLAS AFTER THE CEREMONY. IT WAS NEARLY 9 P.M. BEFORE THEY RETURNED HOME AND SCURRIED PAST NEWSMEN. THEY CONSENTED AFTER A BIT TO POSE FOR PICTURES AND THEN LEFT AGAIN.

JOE CLARK SAID PORTER AN AVID FISHERMAN AND THE COURTSHIP INCLUDED A NUMBER OF FISHING TRIPS.

CLARK, WHO WORKS WITH PORTER AT TEXAS INSTRUMENTS, INC., DESCRIBED THE GROOM AS A "HARDWORKING, QUIET, RESERVED TYPE." HE SAID PORTER IS AN EXPERT DRAG RACER AND HAS WON MANY TROPHIES.

THE WEDDING WAS A SURPRISE TO PORTER'S FAMILY.

HIS FORMER WIFE, WANDA AVORA PORTER, BROKE INTO TEARS WHEN TOLD OF THE MARRIAGE BY REPORTERS.

"I WAS DUMBFOUNDED AND SURPRISED," SHE SAID. "I HAD NO IDEA HE WAS EVEN DATING HER."

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SHE DIVORCED PORTER IN JANUARY, 1964, CHARGING HARSH AND CRUEL TREATMENT. THEIR CHILDREN ARE A DAUGHTER, WANDA, 7, AND A SON, CONNIE, 4. MRS. PORTER IS A DATA ANALYST FOR COLLINS RADIO CO.

MRS. MARGUERITE OSWALD, MOTHER OF SLAIN ASSASSIN LEE HARVEY OSWALD, SAID IN FORT WORTH OF HER DAUGHTER-IN-LAW'S MARRIAGE:

"I DON'T CARE WHAT MARINA DOES WITH HER LIFE. I DO WANT MY GRANDCHILDREN TO HAVE A DECENT FATHER. EXCEPT FOR THE CHILDREN, I'M NOT INTERESTED IN HER AFFAIRS."

SHE HAS NOT SEEN HER TWO SMALL GRANDDAUGHTERS SINCE OSWALD'S FUNERAL, SHE SAID.

THE CHILDREN WERE CAREFULLY KEPT FROM THE VIEW OF REPORTERS WHO SWARMED THE FRONT OF MARINA'S HOME ~~HERE~~ in Richardson,

AT HER HOME IN LAMESA, TEX., THE BRIDEGROOM'S MOTHER SAID HIS MARRIAGE "CAUGHT ME BY COMPLETE SURPRISE AND NATURALLY I WAS SHOCKED."

SHE DESCRIBED HIM AS A "GOOD SON" AND SAID: "I HAVE ALWAYS FELT THAT HE WOULD NEVER DO ANYTHING TO HURT ANYONE AND I KNOW IN MY HEART THAT WHATEVER HE DOES HE THINKS IS RIGHT."

THE NEW MRS. PORTER HAS CHANGED NOTICEABLY SINCE SHE ATTENDED THE FUNERAL OF HER FIRST HUSBAND, SLAIN JUST TWO DAYS AFTER HE SHOT PRESIDENT KENNEDY ON NOV. 22, 1963.

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SHE BECAME ACTIVE SOCIALLY IN RECENT MONTHS AND WAS SEEN WITH ESCORTS AT DALLAS NIGHT CLUBS. SHE STUDIED ENGLISH FOR EIGHT WEEKS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN AND THEN SPENT TIME IN ARIZONA WORKING ON HER LIFE STORY FOR BOOK PUBLICATION.

HER FINANCES HAVE IMPROVED CONSIDERABLY SINCE SHE AND OSWALD MARRIED IN MINSK, RUSSIA, ON APRIL 30, 1961. SHE WAS THEN 19 AND WORKED IN A PHARMACEUTICAL WAREHOUSE. OSWALD WAS EMPLOYED IN A RADIO-TELEVISION PLANT. THEY HAD TO BORROW MONEY FROM THE U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT FOR PASSAGE TO THIS COUNTRY IN 1962.

DALLAS LEGAL HEARINGS LAST SUMMER DISCLOSED MRS. OSWALD WAS WORTH ABOUT \$60,000, MUCH OF IT FROM DONATIONS AFTER THE ASSASSINATION. SHE ALSO HAS RECEIVED FEES FOR MAGAZINE ARTICLES AND FROM BOOKS NOW IN PRODUCTION.

SHE BOUGHT A SMALL BRICK HOUSE IN RICHARDSON SOON AFTER HER FIRST HUSBAND WAS SLAIN. LESS THAN TWO MONTHS AGO SHE PURCHASED AND MOVED INTO THE THREE-BEDROOM WHITE BRICK HOME SHE NOW OCCUPIES.

PORTER WAS RAISED AT LAMESA, IN WEST TEXAS, AND CAME TO DALLAS AFTER SERVING IN THE NAVY. HIS FATHER, M. S. PORTER, LIVES IN GREENVILLE, TEX., WITH A DAUGHTER, MRS. L. T. CARTER. HIS MOTHER STILL LIVES IN LAMESA.

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