



PARTING OF WAYS.—Marilyn Monroe has entered suit for divorce from her playwright husband Arthur Miller. The couple are shown here at his White Plains (N.Y.) home on the June day of 1956 when they slipped away for a quiet wedding ceremony. (AP Wirephoto)

Marilyn Monroe Files for Divorce From Miller

Actress Sues Playwright Husband in Mexico on Grounds of Incompatibility

JUAREZ, Mex. (UPI) — Actress Marilyn Monroe filed suit for divorce from playwright Arthur Miller here Friday night, ending their four-year "beauty and brains" marriage with a charge of "incompatibility of character."

The pinup girl of the century was understood to have returned to New York, where she was reported to have renewed a friendship with her second husband, retired baseball star Joe DiMaggio.

Marilyn, 34, and Miller, 44, separated last Nov. 11 after a series of quarrels during the filming of "The Misfits," which he wrote for her. Clark Gable was her co-star. He died of a heart attack shortly after the movie was completed.

The thrice-wed blond actress' arrival here Friday night was unexpected. She flew to El Paso, Tex., just across the border from Juarez and took her case to a special night session of Judge Miguel Gomez's court.

Upset by Delay

"The plane was delayed and I got upset," she said on arrival. "I don't feel like being bothered with publicity right now. But I would love to have a plate of tacos and enchiladas."

Miss Monroe was accompanied by attorney Arturo Sosa Aguilar of Juarez and an unidentified man.

A final decree probably will be granted next week, leaving Miss Monroe free to marry immediately, if she wishes, under Mexican law. She need not be present to get the final decree.

Miss Monroe asked that her maiden name Marilyn be restored.

The document said that Miss Monroe and Miller had signed a property settlement

last Thursday. Details were not given.

Miss Monroe charged that Miller "is of character incompatible with that of the plaintiff, which has made the continuity of our matrimonial life impossible to the extent that we have been living separately since the month of November, 1960, and that no reconciliation is possible."

Shortly before Miss Monroe and Miller separated, rumors circulated that he had been in a pique over reports that she had engaged in a flirtation with French movie star Yves Montand when they made a movie entitled "Let's Make Love."

The Monroe - Miller romance, which began on the set of the movie "Young as You Feel," hit the shoals during the filming of "The Misfits." The couple kept their breakup secret even from their closest friends. They returned to New York from California in November aboard separate airplanes after sharing the same hotel bungalow.

Started Living Apart

On their arrival, she went to their Manhattan apartment and he moved into a hotel.

There have been reports that Miller, who won a Pulitzer Prize for his play "Death of a Salesman," was planning to be reconciled with his first wife, mother of his two children.

During the early months of their life together, Miss Monroe described it as "the perfect marriage." She and Miller were seen holding hands and cooing at public events. But then Miller grew critical of Hollywood and they decided in July to separate. They reconciled briefly before finally calling it quits.