

## Mrs. Dick Married to Fiermonte, Boxer, In Civil Ceremony in Hospital Room Here

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Mrs. Madeline Force Astor Dick and Enzo Fiermonte, Italian middleweight pugilist, were married at 5:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon in Mrs. Dick's room at the Doctors Hospital, East End Avenue and Eighty-seventh Street. Mrs. Dick is 40 years old; Mr. Fiermonte, 26.

The marriage license was issued at the bedside by Deputy City Clerk Philip A. Hines, after Mrs. Dick's physician, Dr. Julian M. Freston of 768 Park Avenue had sent a letter to the Marriage License Bureau certifying that Mrs. Dick was unable to leave the hospital. The law, in such cases, permits the City Clerk or his deputy to issue the license elsewhere.

The ceremony was performed by City Court Justice Vincent Lippe. Among the guests were: Mrs. William H. Force, mother of Mrs. Dick; her three sons, John Jacob Astor and William and John H. Dick; her cousin, Philip Lyndon Dodge and Mrs. Dodge; Mrs. Jay F. Carlisle, and a few intimate friends of Mr. Fiermonte whose names could not be obtained last night.

It was Mrs. Dick's third marriage. Her first husband, Colonel John Jacob Astor, to whom she was married in Newport, R. I., on Sept. 9, 1911, lost his life in the Titanic disaster in April, 1912. Her second husband was William K. Dick, a childhood chum. They were married in Bar Harbor, Me., on June 22, 1917, and divorced in Minden, Nev., on July 21, 1933.

Mr. Fiermonte also has been married before. His wife was Signora Tosaca Manetti Fiermonte of Rome. He obtained a divorce from her at Reno, Nev., on Sept. 4 after making a property settlement.

Mrs. Dick was in the hospital suffering from a broken shoulder received when she slipped and fell on a highly polished floor in her home in Bermuda last September. After the fall she was taken to the King Edward Hospital in Hamilton. Early in November she returned to New York and was taken on her arrival here to the Doctors Hospital.

Questioned last night as to how much longer she would be compelled to remain in the hospital, officials of the hospital said they did not know.

Mr. Dodge, who acted as spokesman for the family, said he had no idea of the future plans of the Fiermontes. Asked if Fiermonte would give up his ring career, Mr. Dodge replied:

"I suppose so; in fact, he hasn't done any fighting for some time."

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