## A Non-Orphan's New Life Begins

## Columbus

Nine-wear-old Ha Mai Khoi, who left Saigon and a tearful mother Friday, started life in a new home yesterday when he moved in with his aunt, Hoa Newsome, and her husband, Bill.

His mother, Ha Thi Cam Huong, saw him off on the plane and said she was giving him up because her son had had an American father. "The VC will come and kill those American babies," she said.

In Columbus yesterday,

Mrs. Newsome said Ha "is really happy to be here.

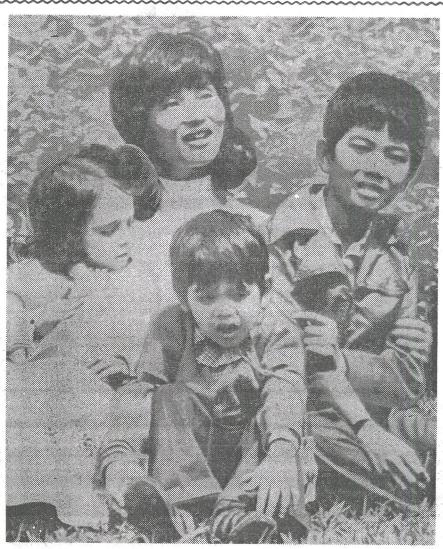
"He couldn't sleep in Vietnam because of the rockets. He spent much time in a tunnel."

"They really didn't have a life there," said Newsome, who met his wife in Vietnam, "All they could look forward to was more sickness and more war. That's all they've ever known."

The Newsomes have one other child, a daughter.

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Hahn Welch and her children, Amy, 5, Teddy, 6, and Steven, 12, at their Fort Benning home, together again after 2½ years of separation.