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March 26, 7:30 p.m.

Rabbi Jack Segal

"Judaism and Christianity — Two Different Approaches to Sex"

6:00 Dinner with Rabbi at MSC Cafeteria Private Room
7:30 Talk at Hillel Jewish Student Center
800 Jersey C.S.

Open to the Public

Refugee family flees twice; still together

United Press International
KHAO I DANG, Thailand — Khau Bun Siv considers himself lucky to be alive and luckier still to have escaped Cambodia with seven members of his family, including two tiny grandchildren.

He did it twice.

Khau, 57, was the import director at the Pepsi-Cola bottling plant in Cambodia before the Khmer Rouge forces took power in 1975 and instituted a reign of spartan living that left an estimated 1 million people dead.

"When the Vietnamese invaded Cambodia (in January, 1979) there was suddenly nothing at all to eat," Khau said. "We set out on foot for our old home in Battambang in mid-February and arrived in the city in mid-April."

But things in Battambang, once the center of Cambodia's rice trade, were not much better. The ration established by the Vietnamese was only 200 grams of Soviet-supplied corn per person every 15 days.

"Many, many people were dying of starvation," Khau said. "I decided to get my family out."

Khau's hands trembled as he told the story, and the lines of worry deepened in his face. Once a fairly wealthy businessman, he was not ashamed of his torn clothes. He is proud of his ordeal because he managed the impossible in war-ravaged Cambodia — he kept his family together.

For days, the family cut its way through the jungle forests, skirting both Vietnamese and Khmer Rouge patrols.

"We were lucky because we had a guide, my son-in-law's nephew," Khau said. "He really knew the jungle and the border region, but when he got us to the frontier he turned back — he didn't want to leave his old mother alone in Battambang."

The Khau family reached Thailand last May 18 and the first thing Khau did was write to his three brothers already living in San Jose, Calif., and New York City.

"I told them we were alive, and I gave them as much news as I could of their own children and friends," Khau said. "They promised to help us come to America."

Before the red tape of immigration procedure had even begun, disaster struck.

"On June 9, the Thai authorities came to our camp at Nong Chan and loaded us all into buses. We thought we were going to a processing center," Khau said.

Instead they were driven, along with 42,000 other Cambodian refugees, to the remote northeastern border and forced to scramble down a mountainside back into Cambodia near the ancient temples of Preah Vihar.

"In the first few days many people died by stepping on mines," said Khau, who lost one son, a daughter-in-law and two grandchildren to disease, hunger and execution during the Khmer Rouge reign. "Then there were days of hunger, and then the Vietnamese found us."

For several months the family wandered across Siem Reap province, site of the magnificent temples of Angkor Wat, trading pieces of their clothing with villagers for food.

"We decided to make another try," said Khau's son-in-law, Sun Samheat, 39. "The Vietnamese were in full control, and we didn't want to live under those people."

More weeks in the jungle, picking their way around mines and artillery fire of Vietnamese troops battling Khmer Rouge guerrillas, brought the Khau family "hungry but together" back into Thailand on Dec. 12.

"Now we want nothing but to go to America," Khau said.



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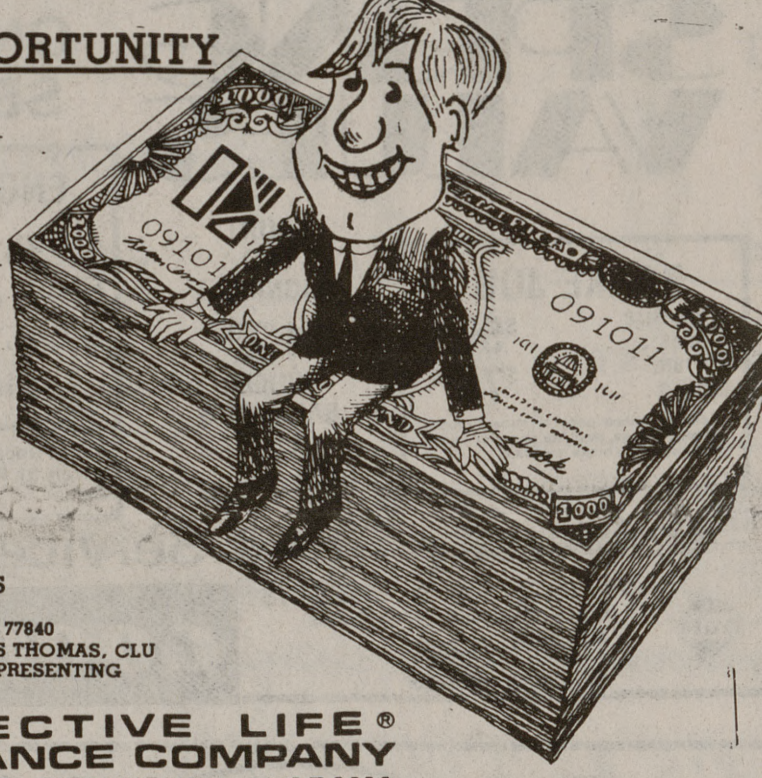
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MONDAY

LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM: The Student Activities office will sponsor a program to develop and train students in various leadership styles and techniques which can be used in their daily life. The program will be March 28-30 at Lakeview Camp in Palestine. The number is limited to the first 25 people to sign up. For more information contact the Student Activities Office at 221 MSC or call 845-1133.

POLITICAL FORUM: Congressman Toby Moffett will speak on "America's Energy Policy: A Liberal's Viewpoint" at noon in the Rudder. Admission is free.

BIBLE STUDY: The Student Y sponsored group will meet at 9 p.m. in the Meditation Room of the All Faiths Chapel.

COMMUNITY SINGERS: Will hold a rehearsal for the May 3 concert at 7:30 p.m. at the Brazos Center.

MSC CAMERA COMMITTEE: Will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Rudder.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION: Will be selling tickets for the fashion and talent shows and the Food Fair at 1 p.m. at the ISA booth in the MSC.

SIGMA IOTA EPSILON: Will meet at 7 p.m. in 607 Rudder to discuss a field trip and officer elections.

MBA ASSOCIATION: Jesse Tutor from Arthur Anderson Co. will speak on careers at 7:30 p.m. in 701 Rudder.

T-STAR: Will meet at 2 p.m. at the McNew Laboratory for a building inspection if the weather permits.

CLASS OF '80: Will be selling elephant shirts in the MSC for \$4.95 to \$6.50.

"THE SEARCHERS": The film which "made John Wayne a star" will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Theater.

TUESDAY

BIOCHEMISTRY SOCIETY: Dr. Ethel Tsutsui will present a seminar on the "Current Research in Cancer Biochemistry" at 7 p.m. in 113 Heep Bldg.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERS: Will have a barbecue banquet at 5:30 p.m. at the Brazos Center.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY ENGINEERS: Robert Schmitt will speak at the meeting at 7:30 p.m. in 342 Zachry Engineering Center.

PRE-MED/PRE-DENT SOCIETY: Will hold elections at 7:30 p.m. in 301 Rudder. A representative from the University of Texas Health Science Center will speak on admission policies and procedures for the University of Texas Medical and Dental schools.

COLLEGIATE FFA: Ernie Davis will speak on the spring maintenance outlook at 7:30 p.m. in 105 Harrington. A FFA vest will be given as door prize and Dr. Murray Milford will be featured in Professor Spotlight.

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Russians may sock imports

United Press International
SAN FRANCISCO — Mary Green would like to sock it to the Russians in Afghanistan.

The trim, energetic woman went to Afghanistan on her honeymoon four years ago. She returned with a bundle of intricately knit, colorful, knee-length Afghan socks that not only paid for the trip, but launched her on a lucrative import business and made her lifelong friends in the Soviet-occupied country.

Now she's waiting anxiously to see if a promised shipment of about 22,000 pairs of the high quality socks will find its way out of Afghanistan and into the hands of her sales staff of colorful, turbaned Sikhs from Afghanistan now living in the United States.

"Theoretically, I'll get my socks. It's an interesting country to deal with."

"I really love the people there," she said. "And they love Americans. When they found out I was an American they'd do anything for me."

Her "hobby" of importing items to pay for her travels has mushroomed into a six-figure business. In addition to a line of ethnic "socks and more world," she has branched into carved wooden "combs and more."

She has also published a bimonthly newsletter, "How To Be An Importer For Your World Travel," and produces a bimonthly newsletter for importers.

"I haven't made a million yet, but I really thought I would," she said. "I've forgotten by the village people do the weaving for her in the area of Paghnam, 20 miles from Kabul."

Green said she wrote her contacts and received an immediate reply assuring her there was "no problem" in supplying her socks. However, she said, the letter indicated there were "staples — destination of the socks, the main worry, the situation."

The young importer says she understands what the Russians want with Afghanistan, a country with few natural resources, terrain and tough individuals, except as a stepping stone to the Gulf.

Or, maybe, her socks?

"There's no gold, silver, shipping ports, so it's got to be socks," she mused. "Well, they have cold winters in the Soviet Union."

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS

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March 24-28

with interviews the following week.

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