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1.5 Million Conservative Jews In U.S. Hold Day Of Mourning, Prayer And Fasting As A Protest To President Reagan Going To Bitburg Cemetery

Kohl Asked For Investigation Of Bitburg Official

BONN (WNS) — Chancellor Helmut Kohl on May 2 hastily called for an investigation into the Nazi past of Fritz-Rudolph Gasper, the district administrator of the Bitburg region, who was scheduled to participate with Kohl and President Reagan in the wreath-laying ceremonies at the Bitburg war cemetery on May 5. Kohl acted after Deputy Foreign Minister Alois Mertel informed him that he had received information from the Jewish community in Bonn that Gasper had been an SS member. Gasper later confirmed this. In a telephone interview he said he was recruited into the Waffen SS on June 1, 1943 with the rank of "Unter-

schar-Fuehrer," the equivalent of sergeant. He also confirmed that before that he had been a member of the Hitler Jugend. But, according to Gasper, a de-Nazification court in Koblenz issued him a certificate on November 25, 1948 attesting that he had been forced to join the SS. The certificate had been sent to the Chancellery here for further study to confirm Gasper's claim.

Gasper, who is 60, served on a Waffen-SS tank unit known as "Hitlerjugend." Members of that division will be among the 1,000 former SS officers who held a reunion in the Bavarian town of Nesselwang May 3-5.

Gasper denied that his unit participated in

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NEW YORK, N.Y. — The nation's 1.5 million Conservative Jews fasted and protested in their communities on May 5 as President Reagan went through with his planned visit to Bitburg cemetery, where members of the Nazi SS are buried.

In a special message to the Conservative Movement's 1200 rabbis and the 850 synagogues and their Presidents, The Rabbinical Assembly and The United Synagogue of America called for a nationwide congregational mobilization.

Both organizations sent the following telegram to President Reagan before his visit:

"We petition you to reconsider your proposed visit to the Bitburg Military Cemetery wherein are buried SS Waffen soldiers who were directly involved in the killing of millions of our people and others 40 years ago. If there is no change, as

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Russian Jewish Family Emigrate From Soviet Union To Las Vegas



Photograph by Marvin

(L-R) Yonata & Rebecca Shpak welcome their newly arrived family from the Soviet Union at McCarran International Airport, recently. The Soviet Jewish family include: Leonid, daughter Esther & wife Eleanor Shpak.

Jewish Family Service Agency of Las Vegas resettled a Soviet Jewish family recently. The

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"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"

JWV National Commander Urged American War Dead Of World War II Be Honored - May 5, 1985

Local Jewish War Veterans Agreed



Photograph by Marvin

Pictured above is the Las Vegas Jewish War Veterans Memorial Service held May 5th -- the same day Reagan visited Bitburg Cemetery.

Samuel Greenberg, National Commander of the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A., urged all American veterans to initiate a memorial or commemorative service at local veterans' cemeteries or war memorials on May 5, 1985, the day President Reagan laid a wreath at the Bitburg cemetery in West Germany.

National Commander Greenberg stressed that it is particularly important that, as President Reagan honors German soldiers -- amongst them Waffen S.S. who murdered American Prisoners of War in cold blood -- the veteran community of the U.S. Armed Forces simultaneously remember and pay tribute to American soldiers who

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