

unnecessary." Twelve million Germans of the Nazi era are alive in Germany today. Mr. Reagan is notorious for misstating history and outright lying to back a position which never should have been taken in the first place. To pretend, in a situation as serious as this, that the man should be unchallenged and allowed to do this act which can be taken by the rest of the world as representing what the American people feel would be a terrible mistake on the part of the Legislature. We cannot allow it to go by. These SS individuals were thugs and criminals of the worst order. Suppose Mr. Reagan were going to lay a wreath on the grave of Al Capone or "Legs" Diamond or John Dillinger? They were not criminals of the magnitude of the SS. To give you an idea of their philosophy I want to read you what S.S. Reichsfuhrer Heinrich Himmler said when he was addressing some of his SS comrades on October 4, 1943. "I also want to speak very frankly about a very important subject. Among ourselves we will discuss it openly. In public, however, we must never mention it. I mean the evacuation of the Jews, the extermination of the Jewish people. This is something that is easy to talk about." "The Jewish people will be exterminated says every member of the party. This is clear, this is our program, the elimination, the extermination of the Jews. We will do this. And then they come to you, 80 million good Germans and each one has his 'decent' Jew. Naturally all the rest are pigs, but this particular Jew is first-rate. Not one of those who talked this way has seen the bodies, not one has been on the spot. Most of you know what it is to see a pile of 100 or 500 or 1,000 bodies. To have stuck it out and at the same time barring exceptions caused by human weakness, to have remained 'decent' this is what has made us tough. This is a glorious page in our history which never has and never will be written. S.S. Reichsfuror Heinrich Himmler." One of those types whom Mr. Reagan say is as much a victim as the ones his SS presided over in seeing that they were slaughtered. In 1935 the Jews were deprived of all citizenship rights in Germany. What Mr. Reagan is doing is encouraging an upswing of Nazism in this country. A group called "The Covenant, the Sword, and the Arm of the Lord", another called "The Order". There is a semi religion called the "Aryan Nations", all based around the principles of Nazism. Nazism had, as its centerpiece, the notion of a master race. Inferior peoples could be destroyed. The first step in the final solution of the Jewish problem was the ghettoization where they transported Jews to certain areas from which they could not