

Max and Helen
Simon Wiesenthal. William Morrow and Co. \$9.95.

If you think you have read about Max and Helen before, you're right. In his magnificent book, *The Murderers Among Us: The Wiesenthal Memoirs* (written in alternating sections with Joseph Wechsberg), Wiesenthal, the famed hunter of World War II criminals, devoted several pages to the fascinating story of these two star-crossed lovers. In *Max and Helen*, Wiesenthal fleshes out their lives in novelistic detail.

Max and Helen may even be termed the ultimate nonfiction novel. The events are all true, but because of the unusual concatenation of events and admixture of characters and forces of destiny, it seems as if a classic novelist, a master of form, plot and characteriza-

Federation Plans Events

"It is our goal and our hope to reach our more than 600 donors for their 1984 pledge before the end of this year," said Richard A. Klein, Federation President.

To accomplish this goal the Campaign leadership is hard at work planning a series of events. These include a special evening for the Medical community, a Major Gifts dinner on Sunday, December 4, the Super Sunday telephone campaign on December 11 and a special one day face to face

tion, had written the book.

In *Max and Helen*, Wiesenthal tells of his pursuit 20 years ago of a German sadist and murderer named Werner Schulze. After months of hard work, Wiesenthal located Max, a physician and the one known survivor of Camp Zalesie in the Ukraine, which Schulze had commanded. Wiesenthal wanted to bring Schulze — living in luxury as a high corporate executive — to justice, but under German law he had to present two witnesses to get an indictment.

Reclusive and spiritually broken, Max explained his reluctance to testify by recounting his experiences during and after the war. He and

campaign to be held in November.

"The fly-in proved again what a unique community we are," said Greenspon. "We all know what we have to do and what we will do. In Charlotte, the tragic fire has made us closer as a family. In time of tragedy we set aside our personal concerns and we respond as one. That's what we saw at the fly-in and that is what I know we will see as we move ahead with the 1984 campaign on the way to our million dollar goal."

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the larger community through publications, conferences, and exhibits. In keeping with its mandate, it provided an administrative umbrella to the now-independent National Center for Jewish Film, also on the Brandeis campus.

In addition to maintaining a national archive—a library of 70,000 volumes, over 6 million pages of manuscripts, and thousands of periodicals and newspaper—the Society publishes its own distinguished quarterly, *American Jewish History*. Regularly, the Society conducts joint meetings with groups such as the American Historical Society

and sponsors regional conferences on Jewish history (lately, in the far West in Berkeley, in the Midwest in Chicago, and in the South—Richmond, Savannah, Raleigh, Jacksonville, and New Orleans.)

The result of these activities frequently signals important research. One such project—the American-Holy Land Studies—culminated in 75 books by both Jewish and Christian scholars documenting life in the Holy Land before and after it was established as the State of Israel.

Jewish Books in Review

his fiancée, Helen, were in the same camp; he escaped and fought with the partisans until he was imprisoned by the Soviets. Here we learn of their anti-Semitism and brutality. After the war, Max began his search for the love of his life, Helen. He went from country

to country, even to the site of the camp, to unearth evidence.

To tell any more would deprive the reader of spine-chilling discoveries. Suffice to say that for once in his life Wiesenthal could not move for indictment because to do so would have ruined the lives of

surviving Jews.

This will likely be the most incredible Holocaust work you have read. Moreover, *Max and Helen* is the first book I've seen that in one brief volume outlines the terror, brutality and mindlessness of the two totalitarian systems that grew like cancers in the first third of the 20th century. Its truth does not diminish, but adds to its artistry.

Curt Leviant

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