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02918. *The Remarkable Arthur Porges.*

Arthur Porges sold his first story "Modeled in Clay" to Man's World in 1950. Since that time, he published over 250 science fiction, fantasy, and mystery stories many of which include ingenious gimmicks. His most familiar work of a mathematical nature is "The Devil and Simon Flagg", a delightful pre-Wilesian tale in which the devil attempts to prove Fermat's Last Theorem. In this talk we discuss the life and mathematics of Arthur Porges. (Received January 25, 2008)