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**CONTRACT SIGNED BY
ACE BOOKS AND ERB, INC.**

New York, June 12— Donald A.
Wollheim, editor for Ace Books, .
announced today that a contract
has been signed between his firm
and Edgar Rice Burroughs, Inc. Un-
der the terms of the contract, Ace
becomes the official publisher for
the entire Venus and Pellucidar
series in pocketbook form, and will
be paying royalties on all of them,
including even those titles now in
public domain.

Ace has thus far published the
first Venus book, and the first
three in the Pellucidar series (pl-
us TARZAN AT THE EARTH'S CORE).

Mr. Wollheim will also be pay-
ing Hulbert Burroughs a social call
shortly.

**BRADBURY ARTICLE
IN NEXT SPACEMEN**

Editor Forrest J. Ackerman has
lined up an article by Ray Brad-
bury for the next issue of his
magazine SPACEMEN. It will deal
with S-F on and off the screen and
will appear in the December issue,
due out in September.

With its current (Sept.) issue,
SPACEMEN has raised its price to
50¢, while keeping its pages at 64

Movie News:

**MARTIAN CHRONICLES'
SCREEN RIGHTS BOUGHT**

Producer-director team Alan J.
Pakula and Robert Mulligan have
purchased the film rights to Ray
Bradbury's book, THE MARTIAN CHRO-
NICLES. They intend to film it in
widescreen and color, and exhibit
it on a reserved-seat basis.

Bradbury had previously done
a screen adaptation of the work,
for M-G-M, but the studio had re-
jected it and cancelled plans for
the film. It is not known whether
this adaptation or a new one will
be used.

Pakula and Mulligan made last
year's Academy Award winning TO
KILL A MOCKINGBIRD.

OTHER NEWS M-G-M's CAPTAIN SIND-

BAD is now ready for
release. It is a German-made fan-
tasy spectacle, loosely based on
the Arabian Nights, in color. Guy
Williams (the TV 'ZORRO') is the
star... American-International Pio-
tures have announced an ambitious
production schedule for the next
12 months, including Poe's MASQUE
OF THE RED DEATH; COMEDY OF TERROR;
IT'S ALIVE; Lovecraft's THE DUN-
WICH HORROR; SOMETHING IN THE
WALLS; and Wells' WHEN THE SLEEPER
WAKES. The latter will be filmed
in collaboration with a European
firm, and produced overseas, as
will MASQUE... The company has X
(THE MAN WITH THE X-RAY EYES); Poe's
THE HAUNTED PALACE; NIGHTMARE; THE
TERROR; and DEMENTIA # 13 ready
for release soon, as well as some-
thing called BLACK CHRISTMAS. Not
all of these may be fantasy.

Convention News:

WESTCON Scheduled for Saturday
and Sunday, June 23-30.

For details, write Don Ford, Box
19-2, RR # 2, Ward's Corner Rd.,
Loveland, Ohio.

WESTERCON The 16th West Coast S-F
Conference will be held
Thursday through Saturday, July 4-
7, at the Hyatt House Motel in
(continued next page).

Convention News, cont.

Burlingame, California, south of San Francisco. Kris Neville is Guest of Honor, Fan Guests of Honor being F.M. Busby and his wife Elinor. There will be a costume ball and an art show. Membership is \$1.50, from J. Ben Stark, 113 Ardmore Rd., Berkeley 7, Calif. MIDSOUTHCON To be held in Huntsville, Alabama, Saturday and Sunday, July 6 and 7. For information, write David G. Hulan, 228-D Niblo Dr., Redstone Arsenal, Ala.

SILVERCON Planned New York Convention, commemorating the 25th anniversary of the first World Convention, has definitely been cancelled. The committee has been taking a poll of fandom to determine if they favor such an affair, and results so far are very negative. However, the Lunarrians are investigating the possibilities of a smaller conference to replace it, possibly in conjunction with the ESFA.

DISCON 21st World S-F Convention.

It will be held this Labor Day weekend, August 31-September 2, at Washington D.C.'s Statler-Hilton Hotel. Murray Leinster is Guest of Honor. Memberships are \$2, \$1 more on attendance, from Bill Evans, Treasurer, Dis-Con Committee, Box 36, Mt. Rainier Md.

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Book News:NEW CLARKE NOVEL

Arthur C. Clarke has a new novel due to be published soon. Presumably science fiction, it concerns the language of the Dolphins, and is entitled DOLPHIN ISLAND. The publishers are Harper & Row... Just out in paper is THE LONG WINTER by John Christopher, an original novel, from Crest... Belmont Books has a new pocket-book anthology of s-f with a horror motif, entitled 6 AND THE SILENT SCREAM. The editor is Ivan Howard... HORROR-7, from the same company, is a Robert Bloch collection... Wilson (Bob) Tucker has a mystery novel coming out from Doubleday's Crime Club, his first in several years. Its title is LAST STOP. Presumably he'll continue his practice of using the names of s-f fans for the characters... (continued below)

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Leigh Brackett is doing an original TV script for the Alfred Hitchcock series, and has just finished writing a new comedy for Howard Hawks' company in Hollywood, the film to star Rock Hudson... At least two Golden Book editions of SWORD IN THE STONE due..

--Lin Carter & K. Beale



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