

A52 "The God and His man" (ES)

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Alice Turner — 15 Dec 1999, 04:26

Furthermore: A51 { aka "The God and His Man,"collected in ES)might have some relevance to OBW; Zed, although just a sketch, seems rather like Blue (and the adventures that narrator has there are rather like those that Man has on Zed). Plus, a special bonus for alga: direct applications to THE DEEP.

Huh? No, I can't quite buy the DEEP ref. Wolfe's tone here is facetious; Crowley is not facetious, though he does have a kind of learning-obsessed sophomoric irony--and I hope not to be probed for the difference.

But you are right, right on for the OBW ref. to "TGaHM." More than you yet know <g>. More than I know! It seems a tired, sarcastic late-night meditation on the ridiculousness of having chosen this peculiar genre of children's adventure fiction to transform into something worth reading, thinking about in a serious way. But he persevered, didn't he? And we're here.

Bwt, I am bowing out of the FAQ or non-FAQ. Unless, perhaps, as happened on the usenet FAQ that I happily collaborated on (alt.mythology), we assign different areas to different people and let them do them as they think right. That worked like a charm for us--we had different areas of expertise or interest, and when there was an overlap we were civilized about compromise--but (a) we were initially quite selective about who we asked to collaborate (that wouldn't work here) and (b) the guy who organized was organizational (awesomely) in a non-confrontational way.

-alga