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Alice K. Turner — 01 Dec 2002, 03:27

From mantis:

Rostrum wrote:

The Four Thrones of Narnia, occupied
by two Sons of Adam and two Daughters of Eve who walk through a magical
door which does something weird to time and changes them from children to
adults and back again.

That is an interesting parallel, and I'll leave it to our Oz experts to
say
how Narnia might be a British "Oz." For the couples I was mentioning
before, well, the Narnia four are all siblings, iirc, and that would be
incest.

I'm an Oz "expert," and there is no connection whatever. I doubt that Lewis ever read Baum.
But just for starters, Dorothy Betsey and Trot, three little American girls, are children forever,
somewhere between nine and eleven, but never reaching puberty. Ozma is scarcely more--she
is often referred to as the "girl-ruler." And Baum would never have been so treacherous to one
of them as Lewis was to Susan. [rest of long post snipped]

-alga