

Hey, abo!

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Alice Turner — 15 Jun 1998, 12:29

I'm not going to quote from prior messages because I'm at work and Ranjit, wisely I think, took away my ability to get the list here. But mantis has been hopping with rage (simulated partly, methinks) over my dismissal of Borski's dippy reasoning re Aunt Jeanine (I gather you two boys have been egging each other on via email), and I guess I have to address this.

Now let's see--you seem to have shied away from the photo theory (and a good thing too). But there's the cripple theory; let me spell it out for those whose eyes have glazed over: Aunt Jeanine must be an abo because she hasn't regenerated her legs. And, by reasoning and analogy, I now present you with a new fact: Severian is an abo too! Wait, there's more: Silk is an abo! In fact, the pages of Wolfe's fiction simply crawl--not that is not the right work, they simply *hop* with gimping abos. And therefore, since you too have been hopping, mantis, you must be an abo!

QED

BTW, Peter Stephenson, I really liked your Dante translation. It had a certain something. I wish you'd get a Vironese name too. This group is chock-a-block with Peters. So to speak. (Of course Peter *is* a Vironese name in its way.)

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