

Fascinating mystery of the "Bermuda Triangle"

The Bermuda Triangle is not a torrid insular love affair. It's a place on the Eastern Atlantic Ocean - the apex at Bermuda - where scores of ships and planes and men have vanished without a trace. The whole fascinating mystery is documented in *The Bermuda Triangle*, by Adi-Kent Thomas Jeffrey.

Jeffrey begins with a sailing ship that vanished inexplicably in 1609 and traces the puzzle up to the disappearance of the nuclear sub Scorpion in the 60's.

There are baffling similarities in all the tragedies. Weather conditions are not a factor. The disappearances occur in good weather with clear skies and smooth seas.

In cases where radio contact was maintained until seconds before disappearance, pilots and operators reported a sense of disorientation. When five Avenger bombers disappeared simultaneously in 1945, one of the pilots reported, "we cannot be sure which way is West... Everything is wrong... strange... we cannot be sure of a direction..."

There has never been any recovery of wreckage, bodies, logs, flight recorders or even so much as an oil slick. Everything vanishes without a trace.

There is a similar zone - an area of the Pacific that stretches between Japan and the Marianas Islands - in which parallel disappearances have occurred. In 1952, a research ship carrying 31 geologists, oceanographers and crew vanished without a trace. The Japanese Government has declared this "Devil's Sea" a danger area, but no one can explain the mystery.

According to Jeffrey, there are tantalizing theories that may account for the strange influence of that patch of water which seems to prey on craft over, above and under it.

Mystics suggest that tornado like funnels suck up people and vessels and deposit them beyond Earth.

Another advances the theory of anti-matter, which causes men and craft to "jump" from one world to another through an "opening" in our world.

The US Navy is working on a theory of aberration in gravitation, or a mysterious electromagnetic radiation pattern over the ocean.

Even more intriguing suggestions are offered by those who believe in a strange aberration in the dimension of time. And thousands of UFO devotees support the theory that the Bermuda Triangle is a collecting basin for visitors from outer space who periodically pick up man, ships and planes to take home for further study.

It's a puzzle that absolutely captures the imagination, and it seems to have given birth to its own mysterious cult. My edition of the Bermuda Triangle advertises in the back pages - "Your own wall sized chart of the Triangle...suitable for framing."

In time, one supposes, there will be sight-seeing excursions into the Triangle - "See before your very eyes, the site where hundreds of men have perished without a trace..."

That's one trip I'll avoid. The book is that convincing, and one cannot deny the cold facts underlying this tantalizing mystery.

Worshippers Another mystery is why the church seems unable to adopt sophisticated technology in order to thrive in the 70's. Doug Hall, of CK-VR's daybeat has some interesting ideas on the

subject, and he explores them in *Worshippers*, his sixth novel.

As well as being a television and radio personality, Hall was once Senior Press Officer with IBM Canada Ltd. His immediate family includes Pentecostal, Presbyterian and Methodist ministers, and he's put all this background into *Worshippers*, which details the convulsions of a

congregation invaded by salesmen from the Religious Systems Consultants. Their logo consists of a cross, a star of David and a computer console, and they promise that computerization will improve sermons, church music, congregational givings and Sunday school attendance.

But there are people in the church. Before the big sales campaign is finished, a man loses his

daughter temporarily, a woman loses her life and a minister finds himself.

The *Worshippers*, by Doug Hall, Lester and Orpen pub. 250 pp.

The Bermuda Triangle, Adi-Kent Thomas Jeffrey, Warner pub.

Olga knows

This week's Horoscope

Aries (March 21 through April 19): When the love bug bites, you tend to rush pell-mell into affairs, Ari, not thinking of consequences. Protect yourself this week, if necessary, keep a can of bug spray handy.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20): Whether your home is humble or opulent, guests feel comfortable the minute they cross your threshold, Taurus. Perhaps this is why you sometimes feel that you are living in Grand Central Station. This week, as usual, all roads lead to Taurus. Brace yourself for the onslaught.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20): Your first reaction to a person or a situation tends to be intellectual, Gem. In romance, words turn you on, once you're on, it's difficult as heck to turn you off. In days ahead, your switch is flipped. Again.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22): You know how to cut through tangle of confusion, Moonbaby. Do it. Often it is insecurity, rather than the cat, that gets your tongue. You have legitimate rights, Know them. Define them. Define them. Then, assert yourself.

Leo (July 23 - August 22): Defying authority could get you into a whole peck of trouble this week, Leo. Use your claws, little lion, to hang on to your cool. Follow Olga's advice and week pads to a quiet close, with your pride intact.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): Your usually articulate tongue is often tied, Virg, when it comes to telling what is truly in your heart. For love to survive, it needs the nourishments of sweet words regularly. If you can't say them, then for Pete's sake, write them. Dear one can't read your mind.

Libra (September 23 - October 22): When your scales are well-balanced, Lib you can be one of the most romantic lovers in the Zodiac. You have certain fey charm which is hard to dismiss. This week you have chance to worm your way (again!) into heart of dear one. Start tunneling.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): Others often envy your pioneer spirit, Scorp, and consider you a potential enemy. Don't worry about what others think this week. Forge ahead with your ideas. Work at making them work.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): You are The Archer, Sag, and this week Olga wants you to aim especially high. Cupid offers you his quiver of arrows. One is all you should need.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19): When you make a promise, Cap, you really make a promise and hold to it through thick and thin. Don't permit associate to sweet-talk you into making promise that may be difficult to keep. Week cuddles to a close.


Aquarius (January 20 - February 18): You are one of the last free souls, Aquiri. You rarely give a fig about the opinions of others. You may want to change your mind about personal matter this week. Give it more thought. On last day, scribble a note to loved one who is away.

Pisces (February 19 - March 20): You sometimes blab about your personal plans, Pisces. This week, don't. Posting a bulletin every time you get an idea is tacky, tacky, tacky. Let your actions speak for you. Last day a corker!



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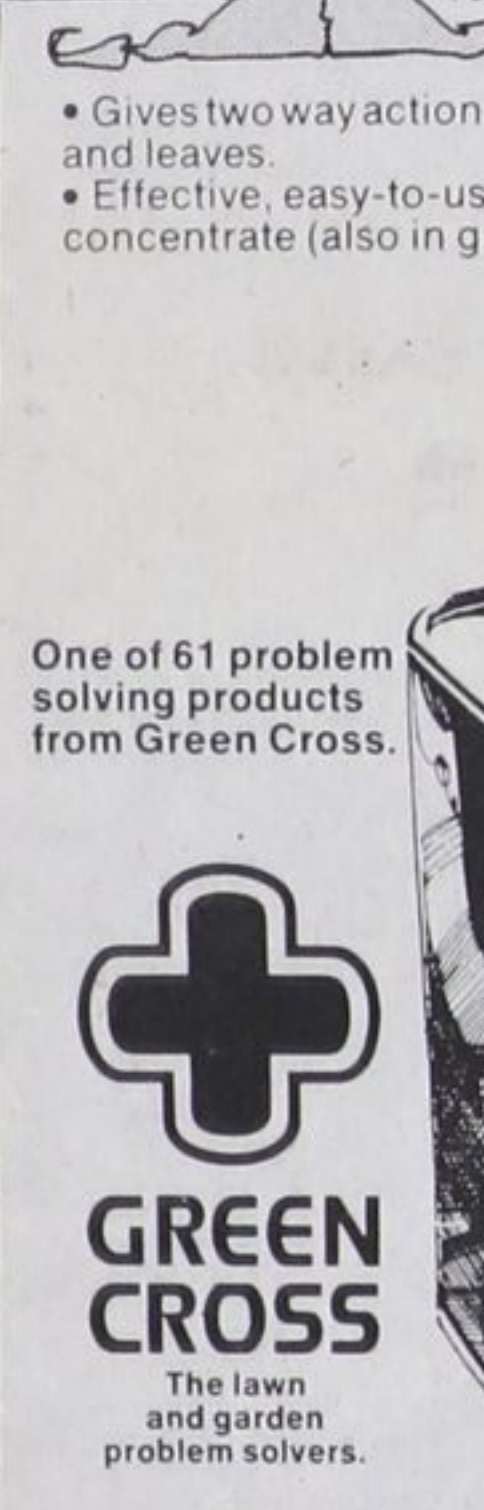
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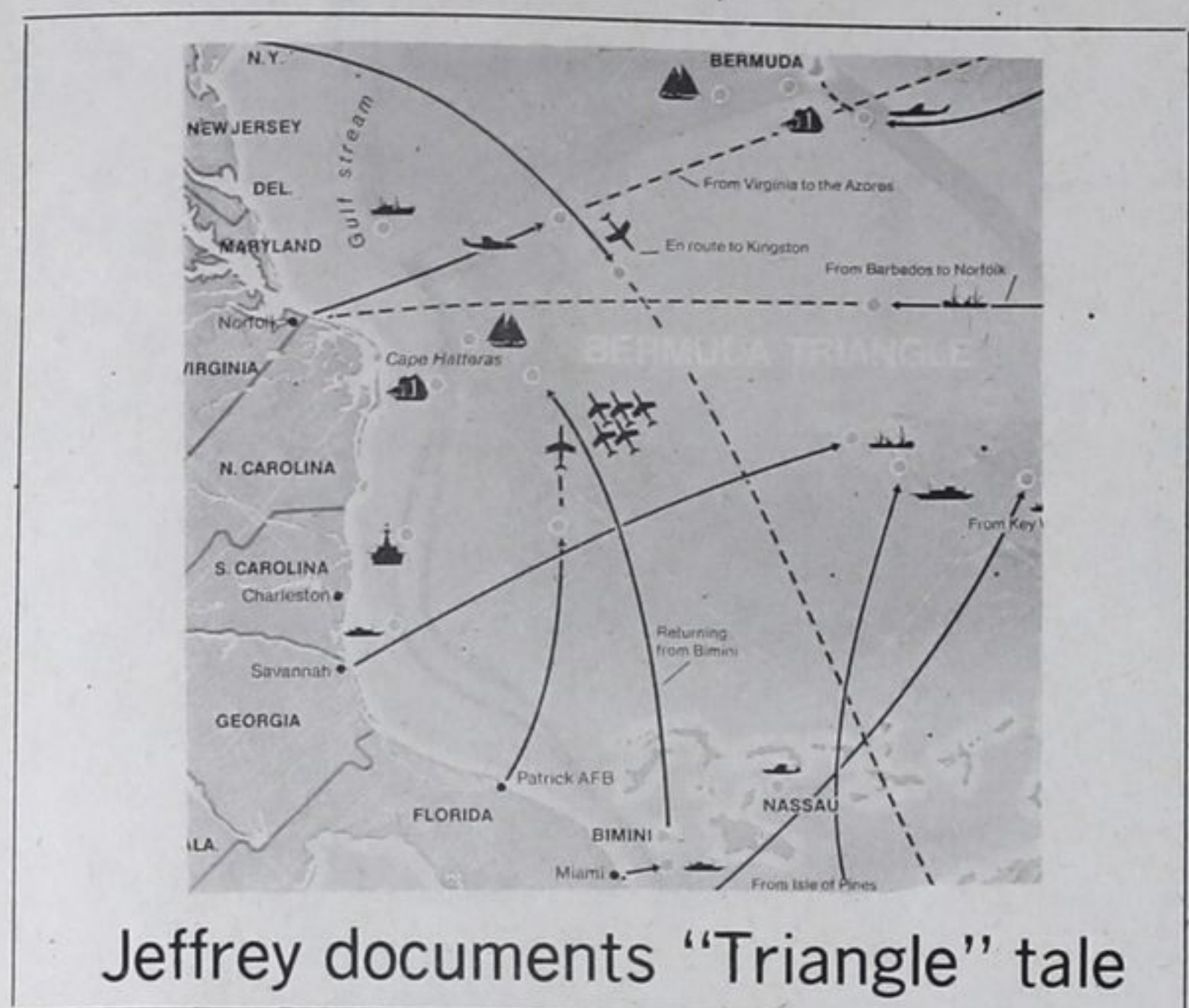
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