

Fighting Ongoing for the Capture of Faryab's Gerizwan District

MAIMANA - Security forces have made advancement in the Gerizwan district of northwestern Faryab province and pushed back militants up to three kilometres from the Sarchakan Bazaar, an official said on Saturday.

District Chief Abdul Razzaq said the Taliban captured security forces posts known as Gul Tapa posts in the district at around 01:00am last night due to behind the curtains deal between local uprising forces and the Taliban. In addition, the Taliban have supporters in the area.

The Taliban have not spoken about the clash in Gerizwan, but according to local official the insurgents were three kilometres from the district centre and the fire-fight was ongoing.

A security official who wished to go unnamed said two security forces tanks and a Humvee vehicle captured by the Taliban. (Pajhwok)



2 Policemen Among 3 Killed in Farah Roadside Bombing

FARAH CITY - Two policemen and a civilian have been killed and two other policemen wounded in a roadside bombing in the capital of western Farah province, an official said on Saturday.

Governor's spokesman, Naser Mahri, told Pajhwok Afghan News that two policemen killed and two others wounded when a roadside bomb hit their tank in Soor area of Farah city on Friday afternoon.

He said that a civilian passing the incident area was also killed in the incident. The wounded have been shifted to Farah Civil Hospital and their health condition is said to be stable, Mahri said.

He added that the police tank was also destroyed in the attack. No any groups yet claimed responsibility of the incident.

Soor area is located 10 kilometers with the provincial capital of Farah where militants install their own checkpoints once in a week and check vehicles moving there. (Pajhwok)



Veteran Wants America to Awaken to Realities of The Afghanistan War

WASHINGTON - Kristen Rouse recalls sitting on a pile of gravel surrounded by her fellow soldiers at Bagram Airfield, the largest US base in Afghanistan. Smoke filled the air as her colleagues puffed cigars. Rouse, then a supply sergeant, dragged on a Cuban; a friend had given it to her months earlier. It was the first cigar she'd ever smoked, and she'd been saving it for this day -- the day she would fly out of Afghanistan after spending a year in the country. It was late January 2007. She took stock of the scene, wanting to remember her last moments in the theater of war.

"That became my tradition -- to smoke a cigar on the day that I flew out," she says a decade later. "And every time I smoked that cigar, I thought it was for the last time."

Through her next two tours in 2010 and 2012, Rouse saw up close how the US strategy and priorities have evolved in Afghanistan under different administrations. And now, as President Donald Trump pledges to ramp up the American military effort, the strategy has shifted yet again.

"I share the American people's frustration," Trump said in a prime-time address Monday night. "I also share their frustration over a foreign policy that has spent too much time, energy, ... (More on P4)...(21)

Sar-i-Pul Woman Shot Dead Over Seeking Divorce

KABUL - A young woman was shot dead by her relatives after she sought divorce from her second husband in Sancharak district of northern Sar-i-Pul province, an official said on Saturday.

Naseema Arzo, the provincial women's affairs department head, said the victim, Pari Gul, hailing from Dotum village of the district, had previously taken divorce from her first husband two years ago and remarried with another person.

However, she sought divorce from the second husband as well, infuriating her father, an imam, to kill her in cooperation with Taliban militants, the official said.

She said no one had been so far arrested in connection with the murder; which was being investigated and the woman's body had been brought to hospital.

Malika Alizada, Sar-i-Pul provincial council member, confirmed the incident, but refused to go into details. She said the woman was killed by irresponsible armed men.

An area resident, wishing anonymity, said the woman was killed by her brother with support of the Taliban and local residents for demanding divorce from her second husband. (Pajhwok)

Diesel up, Gold & Flour Down in Kabul

KABUL - The price of diesel increased while that of gold and flour decreased during the outgoing week in Kabul, market sources said on Saturday.

Abdul Hadi, a worker at the Wazirabad Fuel Station, told Pajhwok Afghan News the price of one liter of diesel rose from 42 afghanis to 44 afs while that of petrol remained steady at 44 afs.

Ahmad Javed, a liquefied gas dealer in the Taimani neighbourhood of the

capital, said a kilogram of gas accounted for 60afs, the same as last week's. Two weeks back, the gas price shot up from 50afs to 60afs. Mohammad Nasim Qaderi, general manager at the gas and petroleum ... (More on P4)...(20)



Procurement of Hardware's for Core Banking System (CBS) NBP Afghanistan Operations (Kabul and Jalalabad Branch)

In continuation of our advertisement dated July 16, 2017 for procurement of Hardware's for core banking system for NBP Afghanistan Operations, the date for submission of bids has been extended from Aug 16, 2017 to Sept 16, 2017.

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Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)

Aries There are many techniques available to dig beneath the surface, but you may not need any of them because your senses are naturally attuned to subtle energies today. Although you often avoid the uncertainties of the dark, it's easy to slip into unfamiliar waters as the emotional Scorpio Moon travels through your 8th House of Deep Sharing.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)

Taurus Sometimes it's hard to understand why people make things so complicated. A close friend or partner may entangle your emotions with overly possessive behavior when the passionate Scorpio Moon activates your 7th House of Others today. Jealousy or suspicion could muddy the waters of an otherwise wonderful relationship.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Gemini Health-related issues are on your mind, and denial is not really an option any longer. Whether you are dealing with long-term chronic problems, an acute pain, or just a minor readjustment, you can see your situation from a very practical perspective now. It's not necessary to change everything all at once; just pick one aspect of your diet, exercise routine, or lifestyle and make a sustainable improvement.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)

Cancer Your feelings are running fiercely strong today, like an ocean current that is cutting a deep channel. People who don't know you well might think you're shy, but you're holding back your emotions because they are powerful enough now to sweep others off their feet. However, you're willing to share your desires.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

Leo Although you Lions are known to be social creatures, sometimes you need to roar, "Enough!" Establishing clear boundaries is a healthy strategy when you must escape from the noise of your life. The Moon's visit to your 4th House of Security makes for a perfect day to hide away in the privacy of your own home or camp out under a favorite tree.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sept 22)

Virgo Reclaiming ownership of your personal space may be more challenging than you expect. The Scorpio Moon encourages extreme emotional reactions today, and her visit to your 3rd House of Distractions inspires your current all-or-nothing attitude. But you might have a minor battle on your hands if someone feels excluded or even abandoned. However, this is not your problem unless you choose to engage it.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

Libra Hold onto your money because your purchases may be motivated by all the wrong reasons today. The needy Moon is lingering in your 2nd House of Possessions, activating unconscious patterns that influence your spending habits. You can't make fully informed decisions if your subconscious triggers reactions that are invisible to you.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)

Scorpio You are the epitome of moodiness today, but this doesn't necessarily mean you're wearing a frown on your face. Honestly, the changeable Moon's current visit to your sign keeps you and those nearby hopping just to monitor the shifting emotional landscape. Fortunately, the Moon is nestled in between expansive Jupiter and contractive Saturn, empowering you to find the fulcrum on the see-saw.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)

Sagittarius You seem to have all the answers today, but appearances can be misleading. Clever Mercury energizes your 10th House of Status, blessing you with the necessary confidence to state your case clearly at work. But the opinionated Scorpio Moon is operating undercover in your 12th House of Invisibility, urging you to keep your feelings to yourself. You are under no obligation -- personal or professional -- to justify your restraint.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

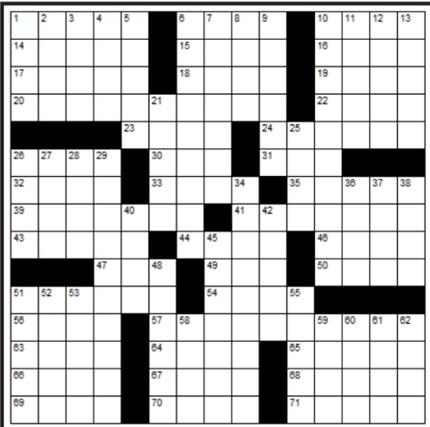
Capricorn You feel overly protective toward your friends today, perhaps it is karma in action or simply that you woke up on the generous side of the bed. If they need defending, you are there in a moment's notice. If they are hungry, you feed them. But you can't be everything to everyone, so you must make some hard choices now.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

Aquarius You are exceptionally benevolent and compassionate today, offering solace to those special people you love and respect. Normally, you leave your feelings at home, but now there's a place for them at the office or in the field. Although your emotions are both subjective and subject to change, they add plenty of depth and color to the scenery.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)

Pisces You can see far into the future today, and you're driven to make decisions that will ensure your ideal tomorrow. Luckily, you're receiving just the right amount of cosmic help now to create a plan for success. On one hand, sobering Saturn advises you to approach all choices from a practical point of view. On the other hand, buoyant Jupiter encourages you to reach for the stars.



Across

1. A kind of macaw, 6. Box, 10. Coffee dispensers, 14. A tart fruit, 15. Forearm bone, 16. Half-moon tide, 17. Street urchin, 18. Taps, 19. A Greek territorial unit, 20. Sorry, 22. Not odd, 23. Mongol hut, 24. Detain, 26. Slave, 30. Biblical first woman, 31. Legislation, 32. Twosome, 33. Knights, 35. Tortilla chip, 39. Distinct features, 41. Tress, 43. Drive, 44. Acquire deservedly, 46. Feudal worker, 47. Derisive laugh, 49. Offer, 50. Start over, 51. A type of dome-shaped structure, 54. Trim, 56. Cain's brother, 57. Chimney, 63. A fitting reward (archaic), 64. Peddle, 65. Nymph, 66. If not, 67. Great affection, 68. Tapestry, 69. Clairvoyant, 70. Female sheep (plural), 71. Cloaks,

Down

1. Aquatic plant, 2. Harvest, 3. Ammunition, 4. Agitate, 5. Gall, 6. Oversee, 7. Phonograph record, 8. Against, 9. Mischievous one, 10. Submerged, 11. Female ruff, 12. What we are called, 13. All tucked out, 21. Visitor, 25. Telephoned, 26. Resorts, 27. Where the sun rises, 28. Fully developed, 29. Landowner, 34. Spatters, 36. Carryall, 37. Posterior, 38. Margarine, 40. Fourth sign of the zodiac, 42. An independent film company, 45. Pardon, 48. Bother, 51. Gentlewomen, 52. Poplar tree, 53. Ganders, 55. "Hogwash!", 58. Cat sound, 59. Unit of pressure, 60. Emanation, 61. Poop, 62. Smooch,

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