

Traffic Accident Leaves 21 Wounded

TALOQAN - Twenty-one persons, including women and children, were wounded in a traffic mishap in the vicinity of Taloqan, the provincial capital of northern Takhar province on Wednesday, provincial police spokesman said.

Maj. Abdul Khalil Aseer told Pajhwok Afghan News a passenger's pick-up vehicle crashed at around 10:30 am when it was heading to Khwaja Chantal village from the capital city.

Eight children, six women and seven men suffered multiple injuries in the accident. The mishap occurred because of driver's negligence, he added.

All the wounded had been shifted to Taloqan Civil Hospital but driver of the vehicle fled after the mishap. Dr. Kramuddin Wakil confirmed receiving 19 injured, with one of the wounded was in critical condition. (Pajhwok)

Taliban Deputy Shadow Governor Detained

KABUL - NDS—the Afghan intelligence agency—said on Wednesday in a statement that the Taliban deputy shadow governor in Balkh province has been detained in Kabul.

According to NDS statement Mawlawi Rustam, who intended to go to Quetta in Pakistan for financial and military aid, was detained in a special operation by NDS forces on Tuesday in Kabul city.

The Taliban deputy shadow governor confessed in his first interrogation and said he was engaged with terrorist activities in Alburz, Chintal and Charbolak districts of Balkh province.

Taliban have yet to comment. (Tolonews)

Policeman Among 5 Dead in Fresh Bout of Violence

HERAT/QALAT/MAHMOOD RAQI - One policeman and four insurgents have been killed in different security incidents in three provinces during the past two days, security officials said Wednesday.

Officials in western Herat province said one policeman died and five of his colleagues wounded when their vehicle they were travelling in hit a landmine in Adraskin district on Tuesday evening.

Hikmatullah Hikmat, the town's administrative... (More on P4)...(23)

Azerbaijani Peacekeepers Leave for Afghanistan

BAKU - Another military contingent of Azerbaijani peacekeepers has left for Afghanistan, said the message of the press service of the Defense Ministry of Azerbaijan on Wednesday.

A group of 35 Azerbaijani soldiers, who are serving under the NATO-led "Resolute Support" noncombatant mission launched in Afghanistan from January 2015, has left for Afghanistan on a



rotating basis, the message said.

The peacekeeping contingent of the Azerbaijani Armed Forces has been serving under the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) in Afghanistan since November 20, 2002. Currently, 90 Azerbaijani servicemen, 2 medical officers and 2 engineers are participating in the peacekeeping mission in Afghanistan. (Trend News Agency)

Taliban Shadow District Chief among 7 Held

JALALABAD - Police in eastern Nangarhar province arrested two university students over their alleged involvement in insurgent activities.

Police spokesman Hazrat Hussain Mashraqiwal told Pajhwok Afghan News the detainees had hands in anti-state activities in Batkot district. The pair was arrested in the Rodad district following a tip-off.

Separately, anti-narcot-



ics officials said 15 kilograms of hashish have been recovered from a car in the Samarkhel locality of Behsud district. In Laghman, one Taliban fighter was killed during a clash with Afghan National Army (ANA) soldiers. The clash erupted in the... (More on P4)...(21)

Taliban Shadow District Governor among Seven Arrested

GHAZNI CITY - The National Directorate of security (NDS) - Afghanistan's intelligence agency - has arrested a shadow District Governor of Taliban among six insurgents in Ghazni province.

A statement issued Wednesday afternoon by NDS states that Bismillah alias Tayeb S/O Haji Shir Agha was the so-called Taliban governor for Ajristan District who is arrested with six other insurgents during an operation.

NDS statement identifies the other militants as Amir Mohammad S/O Abdul Mohammad a... (More on P4)...(20)

Construction Work on Vital Paktia Bridge Launched

GARDEZ - Construction work on a vital bridge is launched in the Ahmadaba district of south-eastern Paktia province, director rural rehabilitation department has said on Wednesday.

Funded by the World Bank (WB), the long-awaited work on the bridge in Sayedkhel locality of the district would cost 12 million afghanis, which would be completed in ten months, Eng. Nazeer Gul Mangal said.

The completion of the project, Mangal said would considerably reduce problems of people who were faced with difficulties to cross over to the district or provincial capital during floods.

Sayed Muhammad, a resident of Sayedkhel village, said the bridge... (More on P4)...(25)

CRDSA Distributes Goats among Ghor Families

FIROZKOH - In a move to develop livestock sector, Coordination of Rehabilitation and Development Services for Afghanistan (CRDSA) on Wednesday distributed goats of high-breed to 120 repatriated families in western Ghor province.

CRDSA Director Jamaluddin Yaqoobi said the families were provided with three months training in better breeding of livestock.

After the training, each participant provided



with three goats. Funds for the livestock assistance were provided by the Bureau of Population Refugees and Migration (BPRM).

As many as 80 women and 40 men from Shahrak-i-Zanan, Tapa Maidan, Shahrak-i-Muhajarin, Dara-i-Qazi, Jar-i-Saifur villages and Firozkoh City took part in the... (More on P4)...(24)

Afghan National Detained with Large Amount of Drugs in Gorno Badakhshan

DUSHANBE - An Afghan national has been detained with a large amount of drugs in the Darvoz district of the Gorno Badakhshan Autonomous Region (GBAO). The Drug Control Agency (DCA) press center reports the 20-year-old resident of the Moi Mai village in Afghan Badakhshan was detained in the village of Togmai in GBAO's Darvoz district on April 14.

Five packages of narcotic drug that tested positive to raw opium weighing more than six kilograms and seven packages of narcotic drug that tested positive to cannabis weighing nearly six kilograms were confiscated from him.

Criminal proceedings against the detained drug peddler have been instituted under the provisions of three... (More on P4)...(19)

Afghan Student Stabbed to Death in a School in Germany

BERLIN - A teenager Afghan high school student was killed by his classmate in Hamburg, Germany's second largest city, it has been reported.

According to the German police, both the attacker and the victim were from Afghanistan and were 17-year-old.

A statement released by police in Germany, stated that the incident took place mid-morning Tuesday in Nelson Mandela high school.

The statement further added that the attacker entered the classroom and "suddenly attacked the victim" in... (More on P4)...(22)

Mine Planter Killed by Own Explosives

PUL-E-KHUMRI - A mine planter has been killed in the blast of the explosive materials he planned to target others with in northern Baghlan province.

Jawid Basharat, spokesman for the police headquarters of Baghlan province says that the mine planter had placed explosive material in a motorcycle and planned to carry out an attack in Pul-i-Khumri, provincial capital of Baghlan province.

He adds that before the attacker could reach to the target his own explosive materials exploded on him and killed him on the spot in Dand Ghor area of the provincial capital on Tuesday... (More on P4)...(26)

Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)

You might not even be aware that you slipped away from the real world and drifted off into the realms of your imagination. But if you look at everything very closely today, you may notice that things are bent slightly out of shape. A temporary escape into this parallel dimension isn't a problem, but confusing your dreams with reality can create quite a mess.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 20)

Your boss might not be very demonstrative with his or her support of your efforts today, but you keep pushing ahead no matter what. You're confident that you can prove your value if only given the chance. Meanwhile, you could turn into a modern-day Sherlock Holmes, searching for clues to help break down the wall of resistance.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

You may share an intriguing idea with someone today because you want a strong and clear response. But rather than receiving a definitive yes or no, you might not be able to tell where the other person stands. There's no reason to overreact since it is all too easy now to misread the signals. And, even if you're certain about the accuracy of your perceptions, keep in mind that everyone's feelings are prone to change these days.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)

Your vivid daydreams of a faraway destination can make you feel like you're actually there. Unfortunately, you can't reach your exotic paradise immediately in the three-dimensional world and still be home in time for dinner. You could set yourself up for disappointment unless you are fully satisfied by traveling in the mental realms, instead.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

You have your work cut out for you today, yet you may choose to set it aside to pursue a more creative venture. Don't worry about the unrealistic expectations of others while you are busy running down a dream. If you keep up with your chores, whatever else you do will remain beyond the realm of criticism.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)

People have a tough time trying to reason with you today because you believe you already possess all the facts you need to make up your mind. You might say that you're interested in new information as it arrives, but the truth is you keep a very stringent filter on your inbox. But don't lock others out just because you're afraid of what you could learn from them.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

You have many tasks on your to-do list today and it's a smart strategy to complete as much as possible before the Moon leaves your 6th House of Work. It is more complicated to return to your schedule once your attention moves on to something more captivating. Don't procrastinate because someone could distract you with their project at any moment, temporarily hijacking your plans.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)

Exciting diversions to your daily routine are like guests being welcomed in for a cup of tea. Although your common sense doesn't approve, you will probably say yes to an invitation that comes your way now even if you don't really have the time to play. Naturally, meeting your obligations remains a high priority, but your overall quality of work could suffer.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 20)

You might experience unexpected stress because of the heavy responsibilities that fall on your shoulders now. However, you're still ready to go out and stir up some mischief, even if there are consequences to pay. Your productivity could slack off today, but you should be able to make up for lost time tomorrow. Give your mind a break and exercise your creativity while you can. All work and no play is not a viable option for you free-spirited Archers.

Capricorn (Dec. 21-Jan 19)

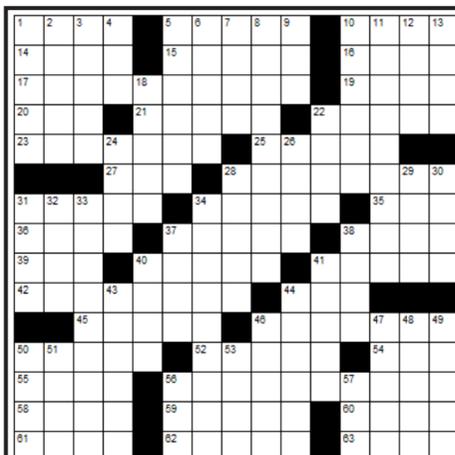
You probably won't be able to stick to your previous plans today, and accepting this fact early on in the day could alleviate a lot of unnecessary tension. Your moods are meandering all over the map, making you less likely to follow through on your original agenda. But rather than suppressing your feelings, it's healthier to remain in touch with them.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb. 18)

You may receive an important message from someone who is very close to you. Paradoxically, what you are told could be contrary to what you believed you were going to hear. Although this new information complicates your life, you will only make matters worse if you try to block it out. You can't avoid negative consequences by pretending there isn't a problem.

Pisces (Feb. 19-Mar. 20)

You're emotionally unsettled today because you sense something big is about to change. Your feelings are volatile and you can't tell where they are leading you. Unfortunately, attempts to ignore your needs could trigger you to unconsciously act out. Trying to control the energy by limiting your interactions with others only makes you feel lonely.



Across

1. Dash, 5. Not those, 10. Comply with, 14. Historical periods, 15. Aspirations, 16. Constellation bear, 17. Impertinent, 19. Armored vehicle, 20. Short sleep, 21. Map within a map, 22. SSSS, 23. Gist, 25. Small islands, 27. Born as, 28. Loyalties, 31. Casts, 34. Desires, 35. Conceit, 36. Anagram of "Seek", 37. Polka or samba, 38. Envelop, 39. Children's game, 40. Flatboat, 41. Outbuildings, 42. Dumps, 44. In song, the loneliest number, 45. One after eighth, 46. Deprive of oxygen, 50. Encrypted, 52. Cowboy movie, 54. Lyric poem, 55. "What a shame!", 56. Turbulent, 58. Flippant, 59. Comment to the audience, 60. Religious offshoot, 61. Kind of bean, 62. Monster, 63. Visual organs,

Down

1. French for «Queen», 2. Tapestry, 3. Quibbles, 4. East southeast, 5. Therefrom, 6. Steed, 7. Type of sword, 8. Awareness, 9. Eastern Standard Time, 10. Beginning, 11. A woman's undergarment, 12. Feudal worker, 13. Wild Tibetan oxen, 18. Creepers, 22. L.L.L.L., 24. Terminates, 26. Satisfy, 28. Eyeteeth, 29. Quaint outburst, 30. Absorbs, 31. Distribute, 32. Alright, 33. Fabled, 34. Depot, 37. Blowgun missile, 38. Sharpen, 40. Agent 41,007. Sound of contempt, 43. Afternoon nap, 44. Egg dish, 46. Wall uprights, 47. Nonsense, 48. Draw forth, 49. Relaxes, 50. Hats, 51. Margarine, 53. Dogfish, 56. Bar bill, 57. Utilize,

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