

At least six Americans killed in helicopter shoot down in Afghanistan

WASHINGTON (AP) — At least six Americans were killed and an unknown number wounded when their helicopter was shot down over eastern Afghanistan in intense fighting that caused the worst U.S. casualties of the 5-month-old war, Pentagon officials said Monday.

The helicopter, normally used to ferry special forces troops and supplies, was downed on its way to the largest battle of the five-month war so far — an assault on suspected al-Qaida and Taliban fighters that the Pentagon says were regrouping south of Gardez.

"We have some small numbers of U.S. troops killed," in the downing of the MH-47 Chinook helicopter, which occurred early Sunday night Washington time, Clarke said.

Clarke called the fighting "the largest military operation we have been engaged in thus far and in combat, the most loss of life."

Friday had stood at one American and three Afghans killed and an undisclosed number injured.

In addition to allied Afghan fighters and U.S. Special Forces, troops from Australia, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany and Norway were participating.

Supreme Court affirms federal electricity rules for competition

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court on Monday upheld rules intended to give people choices for electricity service, a partial victory for Enron, which had aggressively litigated over the regulations.

Hispanic surnames not enough for candidates

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — It was a near-freezing morning on the campaign trail, and state Rep. Mike Villarreal had a bit of a problem. He wanted to make his vote-for-me pitch to Carmelo Sanchez, but locked house gates stood in his way.

knocking on their doors. Those being courted are accustomed to having office seekers on their front porches, and they respond to the attention.

Morales campaigns understand that getting out the Hispanic vote requires some physical exertion.

have," said top Morales organizer Verna Blackwell, referring to Sanchez's big-money ad blitz on local radio and TV, "we have two hands calling people and two feet out walking for Dan."

political scientist at the University of Texas-Pan American in Edinburg.

Near-record cold temperatures claim several lives in Texas

DALLAS (AP) — An arctic blast that sent temperatures slicing below freezing has claimed the lives of at least two people in Dallas and officials blamed icy roads on accidents that killed three others in North Texas.

Authorities said that hypothermia also caused the death of a 67-year-old homeless man whose body was found Sunday outside a building in Old East Dallas.

replace the blast of icy weather that dropped the temperatures at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport to 15 degrees, five degrees shy of the record set in 1943.

Freeze warnings were in effect through early Monday along the Texas coast and along the Mexican border in far South Texas.

nary to have one of these arctic fronts moving through this time of year," Fano said.


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Today's Highlight in History: One hundred years ago, on March 4, 1902, the American Automobile Association was founded in Chicago.

tion for President Jackson. In 1837, the Illinois Legislature granted a city charter to Chicago. In 1861, Abraham Lincoln was inaugurated president. In 1933, Franklin D. Roosevelt was inaugurated president, pledging to lead the country out of the Great Depression. In 1933, the start of President Roosevelt's first administration brought with it the first woman to serve in the Cabinet: Labor Secretary Frances Perkins. In 1952, 50 years ago, actors Ronald Reagan and Nancy Davis were married in San Fernando Valley, Calif. In 1981, a jury in Salt Lake City convicted Joseph Paul Franklin, an avowed racist, of violating the civil rights of two black men who were shot to death. Today's Birthdays: Folk singer Miriam Makeba is 70. Actress-singer Barbara McNair is 68. Actress Paula Prentiss is 63. Movie director Adrian Lyne is 61. Singer Bobby Womack is 58. Rock musician Chris Squire (Yes) is 54. Singer Shakin' Stevens is 54. Singer Chris Rea is 51. Actor Ronn Moss ('The Bold and the Beautiful') is 50. Actress Kay Lenz is 49. Musician Emilio Estefan is 49. Movie director Scott Hicks is 49. Actress Catherine O'Hara is 48. Actress Patricia Heaton is 43. Actor Mykelti Williamson is 42. Actor Steven Weber is 41. Rock musician Jason Newsted (Metallica) is 39. Actress Stacy Edwards is 37. Rapper Grand Puba is 36. Rock musician Patrick Hannan (The Sundays) is 36.

Newsday Crossword

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1 California wine valley
5 Swift horse
9 \$1,000,000, for short
12 Racetrack shapes
14 Lassoed
16 Unrefined metal
17 Winter quarters of Washington's army
19 Luau strummer
20 French spot of land
21 Digs farther down
23 Kitchen emanations
26 Be frugal
27 Sault Marie
28 Fake coin
30 Abrasion
33 Gershwin and Levin
35 Norway's capital
37 Coin-toss call
38 Commotion
39 Overcome utterly
41 Small fly
42 Gussy up
44 Auto race's nickname
45 Singer Adams
46 Do the package over again
48 Loch monster
50 Mag. executives
51 Prying tool
53 Extends a subscription
55 Quinine target
57 Trim (off)
58 Ben-
59 Unimportant thing
64 Moose relative
65 Stan's movie partner
66 Family auto
67 "Of course!"
68 Soothsayer
69 Western lily
DOWN
1 Fall mo.
2 Actress Gardner
3 Buddy
4 Kate's TV friend
5 Pound sound
6 Crucifix
7 -ski (relaxation time)
8 Sires, old-style
9 Moonshine
10 Ruffles feathers
11 Director Spike
13 Auctions off
15 Portray
18 Canary color
22 Really rife
23 Walked with long steps
24 Songbirds
25 Raw-fish dish
27 Long-necked lute
29 Bandleader Miller
31 Tartan patterns
32 Park, CO
34 Reddish-brown horse
36 Horn first
40 Me, ___ and Irene (Carrey film)
43 Arizona Indian
47 Dangers
49 Snooty ones
52 Moon valley
54 Fencing swords
55 Stubborn sort
56 "I cannot tell ___"
58 "You there!"
60 Above, in verse
61 Fruit drink
62 Pester
63 ___Cat (winter vehicle)

SCENIC ROUTE by Lee Weaver Edited by Stanley Newman

Answer to previous puzzle
BEEFALO SPARROW
ALTOSAX HEROINE
LANGTRY RELATES
IMAGISM EVEREST
OGDEN
SASSA FRAS ECLAT
MAILDROP ADHERE
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