

JOE BIDEN'S INAUGURATION

Guard troops pour into Washington

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WASHINGTON — By the busload and planeload, National Guard troops were pouring into the nation's capital on Saturday, as governors answered the urgent pleas of U.S. defense officials for more troops to help safeguard Washington even as they keep anxious eyes on possible violent protests in their own states.

Military leaders spent chunks of Thursday evening and Friday calling states in an unprecedented appeal for more National Guard troops to help lock down much of the city in the days before President-elect Joe Biden's inauguration. In dribs and drabs, governors responded, some agreeing to send an extra dozen, 100 or even 1,000, while others said no.

The calls reflect fears that violent extremist groups are targeting the city in the wake of the deadly insurrection at the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 6. The threats range from armed insurgents to possible attempts to plant explosive devices at so-called soft targets. But as Washington begins to resemble an armed camp, with more than 25,000 Guard due in the city early in the week, concerns about violence at state capitals has grown.

Oregon Gov. Kate Brown said she turned down the federal request to send at least 100 more National Guard troops to D.C. "I didn't think that we



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With the U.S. Capitol in the background, troops are let through a security gate on Saturday in Washington as security is increased ahead of the inauguration of President-elect Joe Biden and Vice President-elect Kamala Harris.

could safely fill that commitment," Brown said. Oregon has already agreed to send 30 to Washington, but state leaders are worried about violence at the Capitol in Salem.

Others agreed, setting off a dizzying torrent of military flights and convoys into the region.

"The peaceful transfer of power is a central tenet of American democracy, and Connecticut stands ready to aid in the protection of our country," said Connecticut Gov. Ned Lamont, who had

initially approved sending 100 Guard and on Friday agreed to send 200 more.

All told, more than 130 U.S. Air Guard flights in the past 72 hours have carried at least 7,000 Guard troops to Joint Base Andrews in Maryland, according to U.S. officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss internal numbers.

Thousands more are in buses and military trucks, thundering up highways toward Washington.

Army Gen. Dan Hokanson, chief of the National Guard Bureau, called adjutants general around the country, and others, such as Army Secretary Ryan McCarthy, called governors to seek help. McCarthy praised the states, saying defense and military officials are keenly aware of the threats they also are facing.

"The governors and the TAGs have been great. They helped us a lot," McCarthy told The Associated Press. "That's the thing — that in the midst of a really horrible situation you're seeing the greatness of

this country, everybody coming together and help each other get through this?"

What began in early January as a routine deployment of about 350 members of the D.C. National Guard to help with expected protests exploded over the past two weeks into a vastly greater operation to protect the inauguration and the U.S. Capitol, and to shut down access to the city and many of its historical monuments.

As protesters stampeded their way into the Capitol on Jan. 6, only a bit more than 100 National Guard were scattered around the city, guarding checkpoints and Metro entrances. Hours later, five people were dead, the Capitol was in shambles and all 1,100 of D.C.'s Guard had been activated.

By the next day, as information came in about more violence being planned, requests went out for 6,200 Guard members from the surrounding states.

By Thursday night, as law enforcement and defense officials poured over maps and staged security drills, they concluded they would need at least 25,000 to adequately lock down the Capitol grounds and a wide swath of D.C., including the National Mall. And they agreed that the bulk of those Guard will be armed.

At that point, the new round of calls to the state governors and military leaders began.

Many governors were willing to help, but they made it clear that their own state capitals were their priority. Some agreed to send more, while others couldn't. And the numbers varied widely.

Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Wolf doubled his initial commitment of 1,000 to 2,000. Other states were able to scrape up an additional dozen.

After reviewing the threats to its own state, Minnesota decided it could significantly increase its contribution and will send 850 Guard rather than the 130 initially tapped to go, according to the state's adjutant general, Maj. Gen. Shawn Manke.

Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine had already agreed to send 700. On Friday, he announced he'd be sending 300 more — even as he ordered nearly 600 to secure the Ohio statehouse in Columbus. Similarly, North Carolina Gov. Roy Cooper initially agreed to send 200 Guard, and on Friday spokesman Ford Porter said the state will send 100 more. Iowa first said it was sending 250 and now the number is 265.

The vast military response comes as Congress and law enforcement authorities are trying to figure out how the U.S. Capitol was overrun so dramatically on Jan. 6. Leaders of four committees in the Democratic-controlled House sent a letter Saturday requesting briefings and documents from the FBI and other federal agencies as part of their review of the insurrection.

TRUMP'S TRIAL

McConnell calls it 'vote of conscience'

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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump's impeachment trial is likely to start after Joe Biden's inauguration, and the Republican leader, Mitch McConnell, is telling senators their decision on whether to convict the outgoing president over the Capitol riot will be a "vote of conscience."

The timing for the trial, the first of a president no longer in office, has not yet been set. But House Speaker Nancy Pelosi made it clear Friday that Democrats intend to move swiftly on Biden's \$1.9 trillion COVID aid and economic recovery package to speed up vaccinations and send Americans relief. Biden is set to take the oath of office Wednesday.

Pelosi called the recovery package a "matter of complete urgency."

The uncertainty of the scheduling, despite the House's swift impeachment of Trump just a week after the deadly Jan. 6 siege, reflects the fact that Democrats do not want the

Senate trial to dominate the opening days of the Biden administration.

With security forces on alert over the threat of more potential violence heading into the inauguration, the Senate is also moving quickly to prepare for confirming Biden's nominee for national intelligence director, Avril Haines. A committee hearing is set for the day before the inauguration, signaling a confirmation vote could come swiftly once the new president is in office.

Many Democrats have pushed for an immediate impeachment trial to hold Trump accountable and prevent him from holding future office, and the proceedings could still begin by Inauguration Day.

But others have urged a slower pace as the Senate considers Biden's Cabinet nominees and the newly Democratic-led Congress considers priorities like the coronavirus plan.

Biden's incoming White House press secretary, Jen Psaki, said Friday the Senate can do both.

"The Senate can do its constitutional duty while continuing to conduct the business of the people," she said.

Trump is the only president to be twice impeached, and the first to be prosecuted as he leaves the White House, an ever-more-extraordinary end to the defeated president's tenure. He was first impeached by the House in 2019 over his dealings with Ukraine, but the Senate voted in 2020 to acquit.

When his second trial does begin, House impeachment managers say they will be making the case that Trump's incendiary rhetoric hours before the bloody attack on the Capitol was not isolated, but rather part of an escalating campaign to overturn the November election.



Harry Anson, Sr.

1942 - 2020

Harry Anson, Sr. was born in 1942 in Portland, Oregon. He passed away on 15 October 2020 at the age of 78 while on a short vacation to Reno, Nevada. He was preceded in death by his Parents Floyd and Helen Anson, and his only sibling "Deanie" Friend, all residents of La Pine, Oregon. He is survived by his wife Marion Anson the love of his life for over 60-years; his four children Harry Jr., Brenda Ellis, Bruce Anson, and Rhonda Haigler; five nieces and two nephews; nine grandchildren; four great grandchildren.

He attended fourth through twelfth grade in La Pine's "old white school" where he graduated high school in 1960. His first job was at South Twin Lake, then later with Mid-State Electric Co-operative for 36 years until his retirement. He was deeply committed to the La Pine community. Specifically, he helped with one of La Pine's first Pioneer Days celebrations and 4th of July Barbeques during 1959 and 1960, served as a volunteer on La Pine's first local ambulance service as a Red Cross certified medic, he also served as a volunteer fire fighter in La Pine's emerging Volunteer Fire Protection District (VFPD), was unanimously appointed and served as La Pine's final volunteer Fire Chief from November 1970 to October 1984, after which the Fire Chief was converted to a permanently paid position. Many appreciative citizens of La Pine viewed him as a "pillar" of their community especially during emergency situations.

After the COVID-19 threat sufficiently subsides, the Anson Family will host a celebration of life ceremony with family and friends. The time and location in La Pine are to be determined for the celebration of life.

Olivia R. Ramirez-Bushnell

died on January 5, 2021 from complications of breast cancer and COVID-19 in Las Vegas, NV. Born in San Bernardino, CA, on June 6, 1945, the fourth of seven children born to Anthony (Clark) Ramirez and Magdalena Camarena Ramirez. She grew up in Colton, CA, graduating from Colton High School and attending Valley College before becoming a licensed cosmetologist in California. Her daughter Olivia Salazar was born in California in 1966. After moving to Bend, Oregon in 1973 with her then husband, their son Jeremy Pires was born in 1975.

She worked as a server, hair stylist, manufacturing employee, and purchasing agent for Willamette Industries in Bend, OR, and Weyerhaeuser in Cottage Grove, OR, for a combined 26 years. In her last years before retirement, she was the hair stylist for several assisted living facilities in Eugene, OR. It gave her great pleasure to see the joy that she brought to the residents as she styled their hair each week.

Olivia married Terry Bushnell on June 17, 2000 in Las Vegas, NV and moved with him to Springfield, OR, in 2001, where they finished out their careers. Upon retirement in 2014, they moved to Las Vegas. She was diagnosed with breast cancer at that time and began her fight against the disease. In January 2020, the cancer had returned and with a vengeance.

Everyone knew Olivia as a fun and vivacious personality, devout, honest, a relentless bargainer, hard working and not afraid to speak her mind. As one of Jehovah's Witnesses she greatly enjoyed volunteering many hours a month in her ministry work. She also enjoyed going to University of Oregon Duck games, concerts, musicals, traveling, and spending time with her family.

Olivia was preceded in death by her parents and is survived by her husband Terry Bushnell, daughter Olivia Salazar, son Jeremy Pires, stepsons Spencer and Taylor Bushnell, brothers Rudy (Mary), Ruben (Julie), Robert (Lupita), and sisters Sylvia [Bonnie] Chavez (Jim), Linda Edwards (Steve) and Norma Urban (Terry); and many nieces and nephews. Four grandchildren, Evan Salazar, Elijah Holman, Odin Bushnell, Skadi Bushnell, three great-grandchildren Cole, Kaj, and Harley.



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January 12, 2021
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