



Trump touts program with dark history as deportation model

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There was a picture in one of the magazines where they had a wall this tall and they were taking drugs over the wall – they built a ramp and the truck was going up and down.

Party leaders reached the opposite conclusion after the Republican defeat three years ago, when Romney’s assurance that the 11 million people living in the shadows could “self-deport” was widely ridiculed.

Yet she said it was very clear what Trump was advocating. Rounding them up and deporting them would present a huge logistical and financial challenge to America’s military, law enforcement, and border control agencies.

Not according to Cato Institute’s Alex Nowrasteh. As the Texas State Historical Association explains, the deportees later in the program were moved by ship to move them farther from the border until several of them jumped overboard and drowned.

The government responded to the increased illegal immigration with two interrelated and coordinated actions.

Eisenhower’s administration was attempting to crack down on an influx of undocumented seasonal workers, mostly in California and along the border.

A few months ago, I suggested that maybe Trump should select Pearce as his vice presidential running mate since his immigration strategy is based on Pearce’s. The policy was officially

known as “Operation *Wetback*“, reports the Rolling Stone. One congressional investigation likened a transport ship that was the site of a riot to an eighteenth century slave ship and a penal hell ship. Trump touted the approach as a virtue of Eisenhower-era program in Tuesday nights debate. Moved a 1.5 million illegal immigrants out of this country, moved them *just* beyond the border.

Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump was particularly ecstatic to see a federal appeals court rule against President Obama’s executive order allowing up to 5 million illegal immigrants to stay in the US and work. Those who previously would have *entered* unlawfully instead signed up to become braceros, which was the intended goal of the reforms. The existence of a legal visa for lower skilled Mexican migrants was essential to the decrease in unlawful immigration. And on Tuesday night, he took a stance against Trump, saying that it was ridiculous to think “we are going to somehow pick them [11 million immigrants] up at their house, and ship them to Mexico”. The guest worker program ended in 1965. You see what happens with all of the things going on.

“And I will say the *politics* of it would be very different if a number of lawyers or bankers were crossing the Rio Grande”, said Cruz.

Bush said something similar when it was his chance to speak, arguing that sending back millions of immigrants was “*just* not possible”.

“Otherwise, you will have to come forward, pass the background check, learn English, pay a fine, because you violated the law, start paying taxes, and you’ll get a work permit”.

On one side, billionaire Trump hammered home his plan to build a wall along the U.S. border with Mexico – a pledge repeated like a slogan on the campaign trail. But that is emphatically not what a trade imbalance is.

The mass deportations under Operation *Wetback* are considered by many historians to be a black mark on USA history, on par with the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II. They were using it like a highway, the wall was like a highway.

