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Trump threatens to send military, shut border as migrants head for Mexico

WASHINGTON/GUATEMALA CITY (Reuters) - President Donald Trump threatened to deploy the military and close the southern U.S. border on Thursday as Hondurans and Salvadorans joined thousands of migrants in Guatemala hoping to travel north.

"I must, in the strongest of terms, ask Mexico to stop this onslaught - and if unable to do so I will call up the U.S. Military and CLOSE OUR SOUTHERN BORDER!" Trump wrote on Twitter.

Several thousand Honduran migrants moved this week through Guatemala, and some were trying to cross to Mexico on Thursday, according to local media. Some hope to eventually enter the United States to escape violence and poverty in Central America.

Central American migrants hiked from Honduras through muddy jungle and residential streets, some toting babies along with backpacks, Reuters images show. In Guatemala City, where migrant shelters filled with people, waves of people departed at daybreak on roads leading to Mexico. The nearest border is about 110 miles (177 km) away.

"If we don't get across, we're going to try the same thing again," said Gustavo Perez, a builder from Honduras, speaking at a shelter in Guatemala City.

"We hope that in this big caravan group, they let us in," he added, referring to the United States.

Mexico's peso weakened more than 1.5 percent against the dollar on Thursday, partly driven by Trump's comments, analysts said.

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Trump, who has sought to curtail immigration and build a border wall on the Mexican border, this week threatened to halt aid if Central American governments did not act.

Trump ran for president in 2016 on promises to toughen U.S. immigration policies and build a wall along the U.S. border with Mexico.

Illegal immigration is likely to be a top issue in Nov. 6 U.S. congressional elections. Republicans seeking to retain control of the House of Representatives will likely present the migrant caravan as evidence of what they say is a need to further tighten the U.S.-Mexico border.

Frustrated by Congress' failure to fully fund his proposed wall at the border with Mexico, Trump in April ordered National Guard personnel to help secure the border in four southwestern U.S. states.

In a string of tweets on Thursday, Trump also said the border issue was more important to him than the new trade deal with Mexico to replace the North American Free Trade Agreement pact.



Central American migrants, part of a caravan trying to reach the U.S., cross the Suchiate River to avoid the border check-point in Ciudad Hidalgo



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Texas among least politically-engaged states in the country, Wallethub study says

By Rye Druzin, Staff writer

Political candidates who are trying to grab the youth vote in Texas may want to temper expectations ahead of the mid-term elections...

It's no secret that Texas has low voter turnout compared to other states, especially during midterm elections. A Washington post study published last month found that only about one in three Texas voters show up to the polls during midterms...

The Wallethub survey ranked Texas 41 out of 50 states (plus the District of Columbia) when it came to political engagement. The rankings were determined by the number of registered voters in the 2016 Presidential Election...

"Large proportions of the public fail even simple knowledge tests such as knowing whether one's state requires identification in order to vote," according to the survey.

Texas ranked in the bottom five when it came to the state's percentage of registered voters in the 2016 presidential election, as well as the percentage of the electorate who voted in the 2014 midterm elections and the 2016 presidential election.

The state also recorded one of the lowest percentages of politically-engaged young voters (31.9 percent).

Texas ranked slightly better when it came to the percentage of engaged voters older than 65 (69 percent.)

According to the Texas Tribune, the state's historically poor voter turnout is usually chalked up to voter suppression efforts, non-competitive races and an unmotivated electorate. But the young age of Hispanics and the percentage of the voting population who aren't citizens likely plays a role, the Tribune reported.



Shell subsidiary launches website teaching K-5 students

On Wednesday, solar panels in a North Texas independent school district generated 584 kilowatt-hours of electricity -- enough to power an average apartment for 20 days.

It's one of several interactive features on a new website, Energy Academy, recently launched by a MP2 Energy, a Shell subsidiary.

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The website is geared toward elementary school students and provides lesson plans aligned with the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills standards.

The lessons revolve around renewable energy and include subjects such as geothermal energy and climate change. The instruction content was written by the Austin-based education agency Disco Learning Media.



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President Donald Trump speaks at a campaign rally at Elko Regional Airport in Elko Nevada



A demonstrator holds a banner that reads "Not him" during a protest against the Brazilian presidential candidate Jair Bolsonaro outside the Brazilian embassy in Buenos Aires



Oct 20, 2018; Austin, TX, USA; Ferrari driver Sebastian Vettel (5) of Germany during practice for the United States Grand Prix at the Circuit of the Americas. Mandatory Credit: Jerome Miron-USA TODAY Sports



Central American migrant, part of a caravan trying to reach the U.S., is carried after she fainted while waiting to apply for asylum in Mexico at a checkpoint in Ciudad Hidalgo



British Ambassador to Egypt, Sir Geoffrey Adams carries a wreath of flowers as he takes part in a ceremony for the anniversary of the Battle of El Alamein, at El Alamein war cemetery



Oct 20, 2018; Knoxville, TN, USA; Alabama Crimson Tide wide receiver Jerry Jeudy (4) catches a touchdown pass over Tennessee Volunteers defensive back Bryce Thompson (20) in the first quarter at Neyland Stadium. Mandatory Credit: Bryan Lynn-USA TODAY Sports



President Donald Trump addresses the audience during a campaign rally at Elko Regional Airport in Elko Nevada



British soldiers with a priest march during a ceremony for the anniversary of the Battle of El Alamein, at El Alamein war cemetery

Senate Passes Bipartisan Duckworth-Hirono Bill To Honor Chinese-American WWII Veterans

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Memorial Day Observance in New York by American Legion Lt. B.R. Kim Lau Chinese Memorial Post 1291

[WASHINGTON, DC- SEPTEMBER 14, 2018] - The U.S. Senate unanimously approved legislation this week introduced by U.S. Senators Tammy Duckworth (D-IL) and Mazie Hirono (D-HI) to recognize the tremendous contributions made by more than 13,000 Chinese-American World War II Veterans.



Helen Chan pins Sun Lum with lapel badge identifying him as "Chinese," to avoid being rounded up with Japanese Americans who were being interred following Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor.

Chinese-American Veterans in WWII "During World War II, Chinese Americans served our country honorably while experiencing discrimination here at home," said Hirono. "I thank my Senate

colleagues for passing this legislation, which gets us one step closer to ensuring that these veterans receive this long-overdue recognition for their brave service."

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Senators Duckworth and Hirono introduced the bipartisan legislation in May of last year with former Senator Thad Cochran (R-MS). Companion legislation (HR.2358) has been introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives by Representatives Ed Royce (R-CA), Ted Lieu (D-CA), and Grace Meng (D-NY). Since the American Revolution, Congress has

issued gold medals to express its gratitude on behalf of the entire nation for distinguished achievements. The medal has been awarded to Veterans who served admirably in military conflicts as well as to civilians whose contributions have had a lasting impact on American history and culture.

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Chinese Americans Had To Label Themselves To Avoid Being Confused With The Hated Japanese Americans, 1941

World War II brought momentous change to America's Chinese community. For decades, Chinese were vilified in America, especially in California, the center of the U.S.'s anti-Chinese feelings. The Chinese had initially come to California for the Gold Rush and later the building of the Transcontinental Railroad, but public sentiment quickly turned against them.

Chinese Exclusion Act. The Chinese in America found themselves a hated minority segregated in Chinatowns. The attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941 changed all of that.

After Pearl Harbor perceptions of China and Chinese Americans were suddenly transformed. China went from being known as the "sick man of Asia" to a vital ally in the United States' war against the Japanese. Likewise, Chinese went from the "heathen Chinese" to friends. In 1943 a congressman said if not for December 7, America might have never known how good Chinese Americans were.



Ruth Lee, a hostess at a Chinese restaurant, flies a Chinese flag so she isn't mistaken for Japanese when she sunbathes on her days off in Miami, in the wake of the attack on Pearl Harbor, Dec. 15, 1941. The flag shown here is the flag of Nationalist China which went into self-imposed exile to the island of Taiwan after the Communist revolution. This flag is now the flag of Taiwan.

Motivated by fear and indignation, Chinese Americans also tried to distinguish themselves as much as possible from the Japanese and "prove their undivided loyalty to the American war effort". Mere days after Pearl Harbor, the Chinese consulate in San Francisco started issuing identification cards, and Chinese Americans began wearing buttons and badges with phrases like "I am Chinese" on them. Hoping to prove their loyalty to the

United States beyond any doubt, Chinese periodicals also adopted the inflammatory anti-Japanese rhetoric and racial epithets used by the mainstream press.

Although there was some sentiment of pan-Asian solidarity, it was definitely not the norm. Chinese Americans, fueled by anger at Japanese aggression in their home country, their American patriotism, and their desire to be seen as American patriots, were, consciously or not, complicit in the persecution of their Japanese neighbors.

The internment of the Japanese was more or less ignored by the Chinese community, with the exception of a few individuals. In fact, Chinese periodicals also participated in spreading the belief that Japanese Americans were guilty of treason or aiding Japan.

Japanese internment actually presented an opportunity for economic and social advancement to the Chinese. Chinese merchants moved into formerly Japanese-owned businesses. And when the Japanese were removed from their farm jobs, the United States Employment Service issued a call for Chinese Americans to replace them.



"Me Chinese Please, No Japanese".

World War II was an opportunity for the Chinese to gain economic and social standing in mainstream American society; however, the shift in white America's perceptions of the Chinese Americans must also be remembered as a consequence of racist attitudes directed towards the Japanese Americans and the ensuing internment of a whole ethnicity. Tides quickly shifted after World War II, when the United States declared another war, this time on communism. Power, given rather suddenly to the Chinese during the war, was just as quickly taken away afterwards. (Courtesy google.com)

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The number of migrant parents entering the United States with children has surged to record levels in the three months since President Donald Trump ended family separations at the border, dealing the administration a deepening crisis three weeks before the midterm elections.

U.S. Border Patrol agents arrested 16,658 family members in September, the highest one-month total on record and an 80 percent increase from July, according to unpublished Homeland Security statistics obtained by The Washington Post.

Large groups of 100 or more Central American parents and children have been crossing the Rio Grande and the deserts of Arizona to turn themselves in, and by citing a fear of return, the families are typically assigned a court date and released from custody.

"We're getting hammered daily," said one Border Patrol agent in south Texas who spoke on the condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to the news media.

Having campaigned on a promise to stop illegal immigration and build a border wall, Trump now faces a spiraling enforcement challenge with no ready solutions. The soaring arrest numbers - and a new caravan of Central American migrants heading north - have left him in a furious state, White House aides say.



Trump Touts Near Half-Century Year Low on Illegal Border Crossings.

Trump has been receiving regular updates on the border numbers, telling senior policy adviser Stephen Miller and Chief of Staff John Kelly that something has to change, according to senior administration officials.

Aides including Miller and Sarah Huckabee Sanders have continually told the president that many of the children coming across the border are being smuggled illegally, and that the United States is being taken advantage of. The president's welling anger has left him pushing once more for a reinstatement of a family separation policy in some form, which he believes is the only thing that has worked, despite the controversy it triggered.

One senior official conceded that the separations were halted to stanch political fury,

Trump Threatens New Crackdown

Record Number Of Families Crossing The U.S. Border

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U.S. Border Patrol agent Marcelino Medina detains Veronica Reyes, 26, of Veracruz, Mexico, near the Anzalduas International Bridge in Mission, Texas, Thursday, May 10, 2018. Reyes was with a group of five immigrants attempting to enter the U.S. illegally. The rest were able to cross back into Mexico and escape detention.

but ended up sending a "clear signal" that people could cross, adding "now we're actually getting crushed."

GOP strategists working in the midterms said the separations were among the worst polling times of the presidency, and reinstating the separations would sag numbers for the Republicans, who are already struggling in many close races.

Trump continues to criticize Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen and has asked Secretary of State Mike Pompeo to work with Mexico to make it tougher for Central American immigrants to cross its southern border, inserting the issue into ongoing trade negotiations.

A senior DHS official said Wednesday that Nielsen continues to take the lead role engaging with leaders from Central America on migration issues and has been in regular contact with the Mexican government and the transition team of president-elect Andrés Manuel López Obrador, who will take office Dec. 1.



Trump has been lashing out this week at the new caravan of 2,000

migrants, mostly from Honduras, who crossed into Guatemala on Monday, pushing past police roadblocks. On Tuesday, Trump threatened to cut off aid to Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador if their governments "allow their citizens, or others, to journey through their borders and up to the United States."

Trump urged GOP candidates to campaign on the issue in a tweet Wednesday morning. "Hard to believe that with thousands of people from South of the Border, walking unimpeded toward our country in the form of large Caravans, that the Democrats won't approve legislation that will allow laws for the protection of our country. Great Mid-term issue for Republicans!" he wrote. The latest DHS figures show 107,212 "family units" members were taken into custody during the 2018 fiscal year, obliterating the previous high of 77,857 set in 2016.

There have been several senior-level meetings at the White House about the numbers, administration officials say, where Miller has channeled the president's frustration. Miller is pushing for a more aggressive stance, including changes at U.S. ports of entry that would make it tougher for asylum-seeking Central Americans to gain admission.

Another option under consideration, known as "binary choice," would detain migrant families together and give parents a choice - stay in immigration jail with their child for months or years as their asylum case proceeds, or allow their child to be assigned to a government shelter while a relative or guardian can apply to

gain custody.



Some Homeland Security officials remain wary of the proposal and the potential blowback it could bring, and they lack the detention space to accommodate the record wave of parents and children coming across. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) has about 3,300 detention beds at three "family residential centers," but five times as many parents and children are crossing each month. The volume has overwhelmed Border Patrol stations and prompted mass releases.

Though the Rio Grande Valley of South Texas remains the busiest corridor for illegal crossings, Border Patrol agents in recent weeks have seen a new spike in southern Arizona. Busloads of migrant parents and children have been dropped off at churches and charities there by ICE, which has little detention space for families and pregnant women.

The latest Department of Homeland Security figures show U.S. agents made 396,579 arrests along the Mexico border during the government's 2018 fiscal year, a 30 percent increase over the same period in 2017, when illegal migration dropped to a 56-year low.

Trump viewed the 2017 figures as a validation of his tough rhetoric on illegal immigration, and had plans to campaign on the achievement this year. When border arrests jumped earlier this spring, he berated Nielsen and demanded swift action, furious to be losing ground on one of his core issues.



That led to the "zero tolerance" prosecution initiative this spring and the separation of at least 2,500 children from their parents, hundreds of whom were deported without their sons and daughters. The president issued an executive order June 20 ending the practice amid public outcry. Homeland Security officials have seen a particularly large increase this year in families arriving from Guatemala, where smuggling guides have been encouraging migrants to bring children with them to avoid deportation.

Despite soaring numbers of "family unit" arrests, the number of single adults and minors who arrive without a parent remained essentially flat last month, another indication that more migrants who might have traveled alone in the past are now bringing children with them.

Courts have limited the amount of time minors can be held in immigration jails to 20 days, so many parents who arrive with children are fitted with ankle monitoring bracelets and given a court appointment that may be several months away.

Administration officials blame this "catch and release" model for the growing number of families arriving at the border, proposing to end it by expanding family detention space and changing rules that limit their ability to hold children in long-term custody.



Agents along the border say the family migration surge has continued this month. "If October is any indication of what's to come, Fiscal Year 2019 is going to be a very busy year," Manuel Padilla, chief of the Border Patrol's Rio Grande Valley sector in South Texas, said on Twitter. Agents in the sector, the busiest for illegal crossings, arrested more than 1,900 people last weekend alone, according to Padilla. (Courtesy <https://www.lmtonline.com/news>)



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