Subject: Protests March For Immigration Reform Posted by Manualblock on Mon, 27 Mar 2006 21:46:45 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I wouldn't get too heavy with this but one thing really; and I mean really bothers me about this. In LA the protestors are marching carrying the Flag Of Mexico.What happened to immigrating here and becoming proud citizens of America?Whats wrong with our flag in our country? It's nice; Red White And Blue with all those stars that previous immigrants died to protect. Makes you wonder at how committed to becoming good citizens these people are.The Mexican FLag; good, thats what we need; then we can pledge allegiance to Mexico. And sing the Mexican National Anthem.Make Bullfighting the National Sport.

Subject: Re: Protests March For Immigration Reform Posted by Shane on Mon, 27 Mar 2006 22:34:44 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Is it possible to annex Mexico. Might as well make it a state at this point.

Subject: Re: Protests March For Immigration Reform Posted by Manualblock on Mon, 27 Mar 2006 23:20:50 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Actually I think they've annexed California and Arizona. The Balls on these people. I should get my whole family and neighborhood and then march together singing the Deutschland Uber Alles and waving the Flag of the German Democratic Republic while asking for amnesty for any and all Germans who want to sneak into America. Then we can all open deli's and serve bratwurst and beer.

Subject: Re: Protests March For Immigration Reform Posted by Shane on Mon, 27 Mar 2006 23:49:47 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

You think California is "populated". I grew up and lived near Dodge City, KS before moving to TX, and I believe I once heard that they had the highest per capita Mexican immigration in the US. the schools there are almost 85% Mexican now. The stores all have thier signs in Spanish and I could never find what the heck I was looking for even in the WalMart (I HATE that store).For comparison in that town:I worked with a friend of Mexican decent back in the late 80's in Dodge.

His parents had moved in the immigration of the 50's. We once asked him to translate some Spanish words we had heard. He couldn't. He told us that he and his siblings were not allowed to learn or speak Spanish in the home. His parents raised them this way and wanted them to be Americans. Most of the kids there today can't speak English at all and the ones who can don't realize the advantage that they have in their ability to further themselves. But most would rather live 20 people to a home, drive new pickups, and work at the meat packing plant the rest of thier lives. I don't have anything against meat packers (my best friend worked there for 11 years before going to college and getting his BA and MA), but it doesn't seem that any of them strive to do more except open up a dumpy body shop or taco wagon. When the Vietnamese were there before the Mexicans, they came and worked several years, then moved on to bigger, better capitalistic ventures.People should have pride for thier ancestory, I do (Irish and Scottish). But to move to a different country and not expect to have to assimilate yourself at all is wrong. If I moved to Germany I would be expected to learn and abide by the rules, customs, and language.

Subject: Re: Protests March For Immigration Reform Posted by Manualblock on Tue, 28 Mar 2006 00:44:25 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Exactly. And even if you try to keep your heritage which is fine; you don't fly the flag of another country in your new home. I have no agenda regarding anyone from anywhere but man you have to have some respect. Watching those people march under the Mexican Flag is beyond comprehension to me. What are they saying; that they don't care about America, they are here to create Mexico in California??Why not go home to Mexico if you are so proud and waving your flag. Why not make Mexico a better place to live in so you don't have to sneak into somewhere else then fly your flag there?Dodge City ehh? That was supposed to be a wild place back when. In the 50's and 60's.

Subject: A real bad feeling Posted by colinhester on Tue, 28 Mar 2006 01:17:00 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

This is not good. One of these protests rallys is going to turn violent sooner or later. When that happens, may God help us all.

Subject: Re: A real bad feeling Posted by Shane on Tue, 28 Mar 2006 02:19:01 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message Agreed.

Subject: Re: A real bad feeling Posted by Manualblock on Tue, 28 Mar 2006 11:50:25 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I have a real bad feeling they are going to force us to allow these people to stay here; illegal or not. And who are they to imply some vague threat of violence; thats a croc. You committ a crime you do the time; which in this case is the terrible threat of sending them home.Let me see tenthousand American Tourists Marching in Mexico and threatening violence; what would happen.

Subject: No how about Posted by GTF on Tue, 28 Mar 2006 20:21:20 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

10,000 American tourist's staying out of Mexico.Let their tourist dollar's dry up and have Americanbusiness forced to move back out of Mexico.First put up a steel wall. So simple. Those steel plate's used to shoreup construction hole's would do nicely. Cheap, easy and fast.This is our country. Don't come here telling what we have to do for you.You don't like it? Go home.BTW The language is English. Learn it or go home.

Subject: Re: No how about Posted by Manualblock on Wed, 29 Mar 2006 00:02:25 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Guy says to me they do work Americans don't want to do.I say of course not; not for 5\$ an hour.He says; well they do it.I say well they live in a house with twenty other guys while their wives and families are home in Mexico. Try working for 5\$ an hour up here with your wife and family to support. Try renting an apartment for them; buying a car;sending your kids to school;feeding all of them and do this on 5\$ an hour.They say; well there are no Americans to work these jobs.I say; offer 15\$ an hour and watch them line up.

Subject: Re: No how about Posted by Leland Crooks on Wed, 29 Mar 2006 03:20:00 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message I see more and more mexican construction crews coming into my store. When the bosses come in we have asked them why. They can't get American help. They're paying 10-15 an hour for laborers, 20-25 for skilled carpenters, and can't find anyone who will show up regularly, not be stoned or drunk, and work hard. My local contractor customers are having lots of trouble finding help also. The immigration problem is not easy. I'm in small town america, and it's here also.

Subject: Re: No how about Posted by Manualblock on Wed, 29 Mar 2006 06:17:04 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

No doubt the immigrants work hard; I see that. The thing is they don't require the support systems citizens do. Such as compensation and other payments. That may not be the case by you; in middle America there aren't many young people left due to migration out of the heartland. But make sure it is not due to pressure from the groups working on the jobs. Here if you as a citizen and of European descent tried to shape up on the line for a job they would freeze you out in a number of ways. The immigrants would make it clear to the contractors that you are a no go. They can do it and the contractors won't buck the tide and hire you.Maybe only the drunks and no shows are desperate enough to take that chance?

Subject: Re: No how about Posted by Leland Crooks on Wed, 29 Mar 2006 11:32:08 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Could be. When the crews come in generally only one will speak english, supposedly. It's usually pretty obvious that several of them also do, but act ignorant of the language. So that's a possible clue to the behaviour you describe. I need to learn spanish. Both of my kids are fluent. I also don't have an answer. This has been a thorny issue since the days of the Irish immigration, probably before. Just my observations.

Subject: Re: No how about Posted by Manualblock on Wed, 29 Mar 2006 12:37:37 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Yep; complicated situation. The only difference being that for the most part the Irish came here legally. It's hard to start out in a country when you have already proven you have no respect for their laws.

AHHH, they were marching around here yesterday flying their Mexican flags. Do they not realize that if they were to fly the USA flag and then march about saying we want to become Americans so we can get equal treatment they would get further along? I don't give a flying F\*&^ about them if they march about flying the wrong flag and expect to be treated different because they're here illegally. Tell me "I want to become a citizen, an American" to get my attention.