

# A Novel Approach

## ***Authors highlight threats to the U.S. of illegal immigration and a Mexico in turmoil***

Book Reviews by Wayne Lutton

**C**live Cussler, author of a dozen consecutive *New York Times* bestsellers with sales of over 70 million copies, has just released a new adventure novel, *Flood Tide*. The story, set in the year 2000, centers around the launching of demographic and economic warfare by the leaders of mainland China. Chinese aliens flood into the U.S., Canada, and other countries around the Pacific Rim. Drugs and guns come with them. The sitting U.S. President, here a former governor of Oklahoma, is himself compromised by virtue of the fact that the leading Chinese alien-and-drug smuggler, who poses as an international businessman and philanthropist, has poured vast sums into his reelection campaign. A handful of dedicated American law enforcement agents, led by the Immigration and Naturalization Service along with Cussler's hero, Dirk Pitt of the fictional National Underwater and Marine Agency (NUMA), combat Asian and traitorous American elites.

Although a work of fiction, the author salts his story with data about immigration, population pressure, and the hard economic consequences of "free trade" policy. For example, on page 66, Cussler has the INS Commissioner (who is *not* modeled after Doris

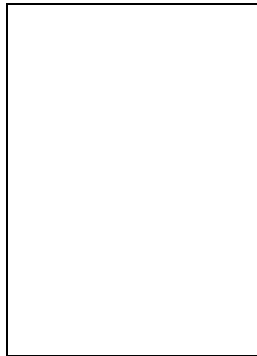
Meissner!), inform a gathering of national security officials: "Congress appropriated a sixty-percent increase in INS border patrol agents, but provided no funds for expanding our investigations division. Our entire department has only eighteen hundred special agents to cover the entire United States and foreign investigations. The FBI has eleven hundred agents in New York City alone. Here in Washington twelve hundred Capitol police patrol an area that is measured in city blocks. Simply put, there are nowhere near enough INS criminal investigative assets to put a dent in the flow of illegal immigrants."

Would not that kind of leadership be an answer to the earnest desires of many readers of THE SOCIAL CONTRACT?

Later, the head of NUMA warns, "The last census put the U.S. population at roughly two hundred and fifty million. With the coming increase in births and immigration, legal and illegal, the population will soar to three hundred and sixty million by the year twenty fifty ... Every great nation or civilization either fell by corruption from within or was altered forever by foreign migration." Toward the end of the

book, the CIA forecasts the breakup of the United States: "The Chinese in time will control the West Coast from San Francisco to Alaska and the Hispanics will govern the lands east from Los Angeles to Houston. It's happening before our eyes."

As we go to press, *Flood Tide* is already atop the national best-seller lists for fiction. Cussler is to be commended for introducing many thousands of readers to the very real demographic, political, and economic considerations upon which he has spun a story of high adventure and intrigue. Perhaps his



### **Flood Tide**

by Clive Cussler

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public will be led to ponder what these sobering facts and trends portend for the future of their country.

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**W**ill America be ready for *The Next War*? That is the question behind each of the hypothetical war scenarios that compose this sobering yet readable book.

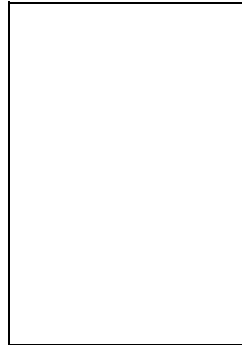
Former U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger and Hoover Institution Visiting Scholar Peter Schweitzer dramatize the outbreak and progress of major wars that realistically could occur over the next decade. They include conflicts in the Far East, the oil-producing Gulf States, and Russian aggression following the emergence of a dictator who promises to restore national greatness.

Readers of THE SOCIAL CONTRACT will be especially interested in Part Three, set in the Spring of 2003. Here the authors outline a crisis along our southern border. The

economic collapse of Mexico, triggered by a government beholden to drug lords, leads millions of Mexicans to tramp northward. The U.S. President calls out Army troops to reinforce the Border Patrol. But they are swamped. Latino terrorists set off bombs and touch-off riots in cities in California and Texas. As the story unfolds, the U.S. President is unafraid to take decisive action to restore order and protect American interests.

That someone with Weinberger's credentials should look upon Mexico as a likely national security threat should lead at least some of those who view conditions there with complacency to re-evaluate their position. Clearly, the authors see that the current unwillingness of Washington policy makers to deal with Mexican-related problems could soon have disastrous consequences.

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**The Next War**  
by Casper Weinberger  
and Peter Schweitzer  
Washington, D.C.:  
Regnery Publishing  
470 pages, \$27.50  
(Available from the Social Contract  
Press, 1-800-352-4843)

# Fifty-eight Good Reasons To Oppose Immigration

Book Review by Samuel Francis

**P**robably the greatest irony of the debate over immigration is that there is no debate. With more than 80 percent of Americans believing that immigration should be essentially halted, most people have already made up their minds. As for those in the other 20 percent who favor immigration and more of it, they've made up their minds too. Since the latter

happen to control both political parties and most of the media, there is no debate.

But if there were a debate, one publication that both sides should read would be a short monograph by immigration expert Lawrence Auster titled *Huddled Clichés: Exposing the Fraudulent Arguments That Have Opened America's Borders to the World*. I'll bet you can guess which side of the non-debate Mr. Auster is on.

Mr. Auster's booklet — 58 pages long — is published by the American

**Huddled Clichés:  
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Borders to the World**



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58 pages, \$3.00 (postpaid)

Immigration Control Foundation, which for some years has published some of the most thoughtful studies of the impact of immigration on American life. Mr. Auster's most recent monograph — he published a similar study of immigration some years ago called *The Path to National Suicide* — is one of the most useful of its publications.

What makes it particularly useful is that Mr. Auster simply walks through most of what we hear in favor of immigration and shows very succinctly and simply that it's all flapdoodle. There may be a valid argument for immigration, but if there is, Mr. Auster hasn't met it.

The arguments he surveys and demolishes one by one are not simply straw men that he invented. Everyone who's ever gotten into a discussion of immigration has heard them, and every such argument is dissected and pinned to the pages of Mr. Auster's pamphlet. Moreover, he actually quotes the arguments from those who spin them — not only liberals and leftists but also conservatives who have fallen for the clichés of the left.

One such cliché is that: "if we didn't have immigrants doing all kinds of jobs in America today, there would be nobody to do them." This is a favorite of the agribusiness boys, who claim that unless they hire illegal immigrants, their crops won't get picked. In fact, Mr. Auster picks their crops for them

The claim, he says, is "empirically false," but also it's based on "a false assumption, which is that the American economy could only have developed in one way, with lots of immigrants coming here and taking lots of jobs." As he points out, the jobs the immigrants perform exist *because* of the immigrants. If it were true that no one except immigrants would do the jobs, the jobs would not exist because those who offer them would invest in other enterprises.

Mr. Auster gives as an example the exclusion of Chinese from California after 1882. Had there been no such exclusion, Chinese immigrants would have come to California and taken various kinds of jobs and started various kinds of businesses. But state law excluded them from coming and so they didn't. Nevertheless, California's economy somehow

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managed to develop in other ways without the Chinese.

The "no immigrants, no jobs" line is common among libertarians, but conservatives have their own species of clichés. One that is especially common is that immigrants are socially conservative and have strong family values. Mr. Auster points out that this based on a "deeply cynical premise: we Americans are

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so degenerate that we are no longer a viable society."

Moreover, whether the "cynical premise" is true or not, Mr. Auster cites statistics showing that Hispanic immigrants "are significantly more likely than white Americans (and East Asian immigrants) to drop out of school, go on welfare, and end up in jail. The illegitimacy rate among Mexican-Americans is 28.9 percent, more than twice as high as that of white Americans. This is not exactly *Leave It To Beaver* with a Mexican accent.

Of course, there is no bottom to the bucket of clichés about immigration, and Mr. Auster in his 58 pages can't scrape out every one of them. "We are a nation of immigrants," "America is based on an idea, not ethnicity," "immigration is inevitable and can't be stopped" — all of them are dealt with summarily in the pamphlet, but for every dragon he slays, ten more pop out of the mental software that throbs between the ears of the immigration lobby.

The reason there is no real debate about immigration is that there are too many vested interests, too much political power, and too much money bound up with keeping the tide of immigrants coming. Mr. Auster and his clear thinking can't stop that, but at least his busting of the immigration thought-balloons will help expose the special interests that keep the debate stifled. **TSC**