

# Nativism in the Mainstream

## UPPER GRADES ACTIVITY

### IN THE MEDIA

“Give ‘em all a little nuclear waste and let ‘em take it on down to Mexico. ... Tell ‘em it’s a tortilla warmer.”

— Host **NEAL BOORTZ**, on Cox Radio Syndication’s “The Neal Boortz Show,” describing what he’d like to do with undocumented Mexican workers.

“Shoot him.”

— Nashville radio host **PHIL VALENTINE**, on what should be done with a would-be illegal border crosser caught for the “eighth” time, in a public forum broadcast by WTN-AM.

“It is no accident they chose May 1. ... It is the worldwide day of commemorative demonstrations by various socialist, communist and even anarchic organizations.”

— **LOU DOBBS**, host of CNN’s “Lou Dobbs Tonight,” commenting on his show about the timing of major immigrant-led demonstrations against various anti-immigration proposals.

“What we will do is randomly pick one night every week where we will kill whoever crosses the border. Step over there and you die. ... That’s what I’d like to see.”

— Fill-in host **BRIAN JAMES**, speaking on Phoenix’s KFYT-AM in remarks that caused Arizona’s attorney general and a U.S. attorney to file an FCC complaint.

“[L]eprosy exceed[ing] 7,000 new cases [was] brought in on the backs of newcomers since 2001.”

— Commentator **FROSTY WOOLDRIDGE**, repeating false claims about leprosy and immigrants during a three-year period when the real number of new cases was 398

“Where do we store 11 million Hispanics [while] waiting to ship ‘em back? ... The Superdome! ... And the Astrodome in Houston.”

— **NEAL BOORTZ**, host of Cox Radio Syndication’s “The Neal Boortz Show”

“[I]f you basically bring in a lot of low-skilled Hispanics with dysfunctional family structure ... they and ... their children are going to make a huge additional crime problem.”

— **ROBERT RECTOR** of the conservative Heritage Foundation, discussing immigrants on CNN’s “Lou Dobbs Tonight.”

“There were 2,000 either illegal aliens or their sympathizers. ... If it were not for police there, they probably would have killed all 200 of us.”

— **JIM GILCHRIST**, head of the anti-immigration Minuteman Project, discussing counter-protesters at a Los Angeles anti-immigration march, on CNN’s “Anderson Cooper 360.”

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“[Undocumented immigrants] hate American people ... [and] are determined to destroy this country, and there is nothing they won’t do.”

— **DON LARSEN**, chairman of Legislative District 65 for the Utah County, Utah, Republican Party, after submitting a resolution that equated such immigrants with Satan’s minions

“We could also electrify this wire with the kind of current that would not kill somebody. ... We do that with livestock all the time.”

— U.S. Rep. **STEVE KING** (R-Iowa) on the House floor, explaining the details of a wire that would top a fence along the Mexican border that he says he designed.

“Mexico is aiding and abetting an invasion of this country. They are ... using their own military to protect drug trafficking into the United States. ... It is an act of aggression.”

— U.S. Rep. **TOM TANCREDO** (R-Colo.), on the Fox News Channel’s “Hannity & Colmes.”

“Look at what has happened to Miami. It has become a Third World country.”

— U.S. Rep. **TOM TANCREDO** (R-Colo.), an anti-immigration hardliner, quoted in an interview with WorldNetDaily, while on a visit to South Florida.