

# The America First Leader

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## Time for Another Boston Tea Party

by Romelle Winters

NH National Committee Member

A pundit once said, "The trouble with being a breadwinner nowadays is that the government takes such a large slice." Each year the American taxpayer becomes more aware of the confiscatory nature of taxes as they have evolved in the United States.

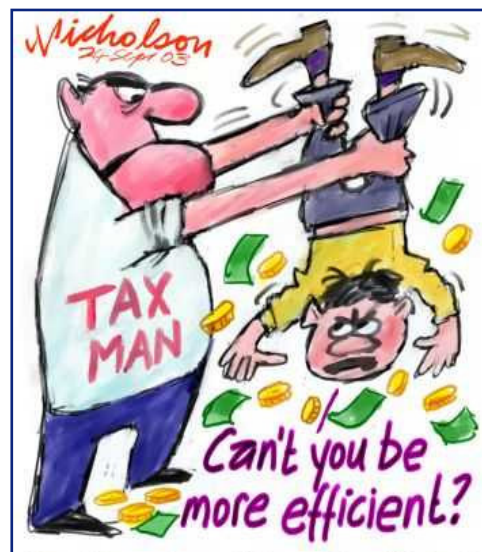
The American Revolution was fought against a government that took about 3% of their money in taxes. Yet, throughout the years that burden has grown to about half of the earnings of American citizens. We frogs in the pot smiled happily as the government slowly turned up the fire. The water is now boiling and we are still smiling obliviously.

America has always been a generous nation and the expected grumbling at tax time has been done in a good-natured manner. Other nations

have come to expect the charitable assistance this country has given during times of natural and man-made disasters. We have asked for nothing in return. And we have gotten very little back.

Recently, our citizens have become more and more troubled by the growing burden of taxation. People are finally becoming aware of the expansion of waste and mismanagement of the government whose goal should be to protect its citizens and the money they worked to earn.

To add insult to the institutionalized pick pocketing of the taxpayers, the distended, gluttonous government is demanding more. Citizens are considered an unlimited source of cash to be squandered shamelessly by their elected representatives.



Since the Contract with America, voters have placed into office the Republicans who promised to reduce the weight of government from the

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## AZ Organizing Committee Recognized

On October 7th, members of the America First Party met in Chandler, Arizona for the founding meeting of their state's new Organizing Committee. The Committee was officially recognized by the National Committee on October 16.

Thanks to the efforts of Peter Browning and the Members of the Party Building Committee, the past efforts of former Party Building Chairman Tom White, and also the interest and efforts of individual members in

Arizona, the event was a success.

At the founding meeting, Walter Wick was elected the Committee's Chairman, Robert Boland its Treasurer, Frank Press its Secretary, and Henry Copeland its Party Building Chairman. The Committee also adopted bylaws and accepted the AFP Mission Statement, Principles, and Platform.

The Arizona members are eager to move the development of the AFP forward. We wish them well.

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**Jonathan Hill**  
National Chairman

### Mission Statement

We, the members of the America First Party, pledge ourselves to restore and revitalize the great American Experiment for the benefit of our nation and all its people.

We commit ourselves to elect honest people to public office who adhere to principles based on the wisdom of the Founders and expressed in the United States Constitution and our party platform.

We hold to the steadfast beliefs that the means to revitalizing our nation is to revitalize our people and the means to restore our nation is to restore just and Constitutional governance. To this end, we obligate our party:

- To preserve and protect our people and our sovereignty
- To promote economic growth and independence
- To encourage the traditional values of faith, family, and responsibility
- To ensure equality before the law in protecting those rights granted by the Creator
- To clean up our corrupted political system

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## Virtues of the American Revolution

Speaking of the revolution, George Washington stated, "Posterity, as well as the present age, will doubtless regard, with admiration and gratitude, the patience, perseverance, and valor, which achieved our Revolution. They will cherish the remembrance of virtues which had but few parallels in former times...."

Advancing the goals of our party, because they contrast so much with the present status-quo, is in one sense tantamount to fomenting a revolution. Our ideology -- respect for the Constitution, protection of American industry, and a foreign policy which is both constitutional and puts America First -- is presently unpopular with the ruling elites, and unknown to many Americans.

***We are fighting against the present trends, but we do so with confidence in the rightness of our cause.***

This means that we are fighting against the present trends, but we do so with confidence in the rightness of our cause. As with the first revolution, this effort will only succeed if the virtue of its participants is up to the task. It will take "patience, perseverance, and valor," just as it did in 1776.

So, will future generations be able to remember with gratitude the virtue of the present members and supporters of the America First Party? The answer is partly up to you, the reader. How many of us are ready to put our knowledge of what is wrong and what needs to be done into action?

It is said that knowledge brings responsibility. Given what we know about the state of the nation, should we not sacrifice a significant portion of our free time to further this cause? Many realize that something needs to be done to change our nation's direction. But there are few, for whatever reason, who take action.

This being said, a lack of virtue is not necessarily the major problem. Many do not act because they do not know how to

be effective. They depend on our leadership to offer guidance.

Fortunately, the Party Building Committee is working hard to provide the necessary leadership. Its petitioning and pamphleteering programs were recently approved by the National Committee. Both of these programs, especially the petitioning, have the potential to increase our database of high-quality member-prospects, and thereby expand the party dramatically.

The petitioning method has been proven in the most liberal state, Massachusetts. Using two petitions, citizen-activists were able to locate 7 prospects per hour who agreed with the party on polemical issues like immigration and homosexuality. So if this method is viable in Massachusetts, then it is certainly viable just about anywhere, provided that true patriots participate.

George Washington would be pleased. Much work is being done through the sacrifices of ordinary people who love their country enough to work hard to defend it. Our understaffed Party Building Committee is a shining example, having met 15 times in 3 months. Its work is evidenced by progress in Arizona, Arkansas, Iowa, and South Carolina. Thanks to this effort, there was a founding meeting of a new Organizing Committee in Arizona, and the prospect of more in the other states mentioned.

Many committees and individuals are at work. Thanks to their efforts, much is being done, though limited space does not permit a description of them.

We owe gratitude to the American revolutionaries both of the past and present. Let's keep their spirit alive by making the sacrifices that we reasonably can to defend our beloved nation from the forces which place it in so much jeopardy today.

Jonathan Hill, National Chairman

## MS-13: Exploiting the Open Border

by Adam Barton

Public Relations Committee

U.S. elected officials have squandered many opportunities to protect America from the tidal wave of illegal immigrants rushing across our borders. Illegal aliens are coming by the thousands every day. As Americans have amnesty forced upon them by politicians in Washington, many have been victims of violent crime committed by illegal aliens, some of whom are among South America's worst criminals. One side effect of the failure to control immigration is rampant gangs of illegals, one of which has formed the most violent gang in America.

La Mara Salvatrucha, or MS-13 for short, is a Salvadoran international crime syndicate which began in the 1980s as a small Los Angeles gang. According to a September 2006 U.S. Department of Justice press release, MS-13 has approximately 10,000 members operating in 33 states, pri-

### *The Constitution mandates that Congress "repel invasions."*

marily along the Southern border and East coast. In addition to the United States, MS-13 has bases of operation in Guatemala, Mexico, Honduras and El Salvador. The FBI has attributed numerous crimes to the gang: murder, rape, witness intimidation, human trafficking, drug smuggling, assault, auto theft, breaking and entering, extortion, fraud, and racketeering. The reason the FBI forgot to include border-related offenses in this litany of uncivilized behavior is that MS-13 is a glaring illustration of the current government's failed immigration and border policies.

The expansion of La Mara Salvatrucha is an example of how the open border caused government anti-gang policies to backfire. Once MS-13 began to flourish and gain notoriety in Los Angeles, law enforcement responded by instituting a strict deportation policy aimed at gang members. When deported, some members remained organized and began recruiting and setting up operations in El Salvador. Others returned to Los Angeles across our unguarded border and negotiated international "business"

relationships with their counterparts. From there, the gang spread to adjacent countries in Central America and to 33 of our states.

According to a 2005 *Los Angeles Times* article, "U.S. immigration authorities have logged more than 50,000 deportations of immigrants with criminal records to Central America." The result of these deportations would have been positive, were it not for wholly inadequate border enforcement under past and present administrations. The open border policy provides this gang with a lucrative market for their criminal activity, like human trafficking, and increases their effectiveness by taking advantage of difficulties in international law enforcement.

The America First Party supports the "effective interior enforcement of U.S. immigration laws to insure that all illegal aliens identified or apprehended by law enforcement agencies are promptly deported." We cannot simply assume that all illegals come here to work. This gang and others like it justify the AFP's position that the military and national guard should be employed to immediately secure our borders against illegal invasion, smuggling and other criminal activities.

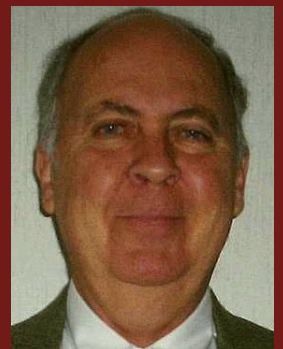
There is also evidence that children of unassimilated illegal aliens are more likely to engage in criminal activity than their parents. This is one reason that the AFP supports passage of a law clarifying that the Fourteenth Amendment does not grant automatic citizenship to children of illegals.

The America First Party advocates a ten year time-out on most forms of immigration. We need time to sort out Washington's mess and insure the proper assimilation of all new legal immigrants. After the ten year moratorium, immigration will proceed at the traditional rate of 250,000 persons per year.

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution mandates that Congress "repel invasions." MS-13 is one of many criminal organizations exploiting our porous borders and preying on United States citizens. The America First Party calls on Congress to act now in defense of American sovereignty and the rule of law.



**Martin McClellan**  
Vice Chairman



**Peter Browning**  
Party Building Cmte  
Chairman

### Famous Quotes

"You can get much further with a kind word and a gun than you can with a kind word alone."

*Al Capone*

"That lowdown scoundrel deserves to be kicked to death by a jackass, and I'm just the one to do it."

*Unknown Candidate  
for Congress*

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## McManus Addresses Massachusetts AFP

by Jonathan Hill  
National Chairman

Common sense and principles were the topics when John McManus, President of the John Birch Society, recently spoke at the Massachusetts AFP Convention. He summarized his approach: "It doesn't matter how many initials you have after your name, as long as you stand on the ground of truth and the Constitution."

It was apparent that he liked the party's focus on local government. "I am happy to know that you're willing to start at the local level. And then maybe local, state office[s], then maybe some mayors, then maybe something else, and then maybe some Congressmen."

He urged us to "start from the bottom and work your way up. You're not going to succeed -- and I tell this to people in the Constitution Party ... you are not going to steal the presidency from these people! But you can make any president powerless, and that is what I want to see happen."

McManus strongly believes that the country can be taken back through the House because all spending bills are initiated there. If the House refuses to fund unconstitutional activities, "there is nothing the Senate, the President, the Supreme Court, or the *New York Times* can do about it."

Some useful reflections were offered on how patriotism and recognition of our Creator work together, because they help us to understand the proper role of government. As McManus said, "we have a great country here -- there is nothing like it. A country that started off by saying men are endowed by their Creator with rights, not by governments, and to secure these rights, governments are instituted. That is the whole American philosophy right there! There is a God, he gave us our rights, we use our rights and powers to

form a government, for the purpose of securing those rights -- and nothing more!"

McManus discussed instances of federal overreach. "Most Supreme Court cases should be handed back to the states with the statement that it is not a federal matter, but a state matter." On executive orders: It is "proper if it binds the executive branch.... But if it binds the entire nation, it is totally wrong. This goes on all the time. Congress is partly at fault for allowing this."

He sees no constitutional basis for much of what government involves itself in today, like "foreign aid, federal aid to education, housing, welfare, medicine, transportation,"

opining that government would be 20% of its present size if it operated within its proper limits.

On a similar note, he reminded his listeners that there were never congressional declarations of war for the armed conflicts in Korea, Vietnam, or any of the Iraq wars.

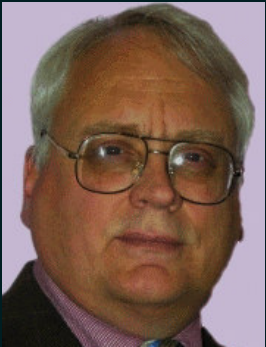
Six months before the beginning of the current Iraq war, when Congressman Ron Paul, who McManus described as a good friend, challenged Henry Hyde to allow a Declaration of War to be considered in the House International Relations Committee, the response was "interesting," said McManus. "Chairman Henry Hyde, supposedly a great Conservative out of Chicago ... said 'Ron, that's an anachronism, we don't bother with that anymore.' He actually said that."

What to do about illegal immigration? He advocates ending the subsidies that attract them, whether it be free schooling, welfare, or free hospital care, and enforcing the laws already on the books. Then "they will deport themselves." But regarding legal immigration, he maintained that it was the cause of the Fall of the Roman Empire, and that we are following the

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L. Thomas White  
Candidates Cmte  
Chairman



Joe Spitzig  
Platform Cmte  
Chairman

### Famous Quotes

"We'd all like to vote for the best man but he's never a candidate."

*Kin Hubbard*

"Democracy is being allowed to vote for the candidate you dislike least."

*Robert Byrne*

"Democracy is a pathetic belief in the collective wisdom of individual ignorance."

*HL Mencken*

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# Security and Prosperity for Whom?

by J. C. Schweingrouber

Public Relations Committee Chairman

The Bush Administration has been pursuing a North America Alliance with Mexico and Canada behind closed doors and without consulting the U.S. Senate or House of Representatives. Seeking a common agreement with our NAFTA partners, the radicals in the Bush administration are working to move the United States into a European Union style of collusion that puts American sovereignty and the liberties of her citizens directly in the crosshairs. The result of the union will be the death knell for U.S. liberty and the Constitution.



President George Bush, Mexico's President Vicente Fox, and Canada's Prime Minister Stephen Harper plotting their "North American Union."

Despite the angst and frustration of Americans regarding the flood of illegals into our nation, the power structure in Washington seems intent on erasing our borders for the advancement of the American "super-state" arrangement with our neighboring nations. The blueprint for such an assault on American sovereignty was put forth by the Council on Foreign Relations in a document titled "Building a North American Community." The CFR report suggests open borders for free flow of people and consumer products.

Under the guise of security, the Bush Administration, along with leaders from Mexico and Canada, signed onto the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America on March 23, 2005 at Bush's ranch in Waco, TX. The SPP publishes on their web site ([www.spp.gov](http://www.spp.gov)) their stated

goals as being regulatory cooperation, economic sector collaboration, and reduction of the costs of trade. After further research on the SPP web page, their strategy is in perfect harmony with the open borders, open trade, super-state recommendation of the CFR report.

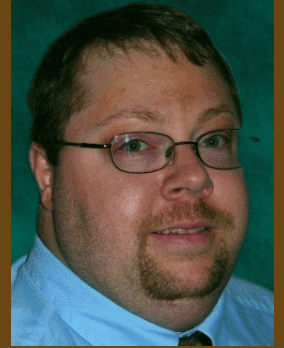
To accomplish this, the SPP, with the blessings of the White House, plans to establish part of America's highways, paid for by U.S. tax dollars, as a North American superhighway. The highway will begin in Mexico, run north through America's heartland, and end in Canada.

According to various news sources, there are approximately twenty "working groups" involved with the SPP. When Congressional members such as Tom Tancredo and media personnel asked for the names of the members of those groups, both the SPP and the White House balked. Revelation of the names of the individuals behind the proposed North American Union has been refused. The reason provided for the denial of information is that it is necessary so that their work can continue uninterrupted from public questioning.

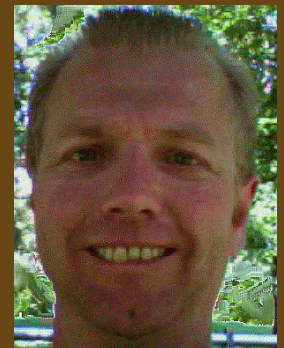
Tony Snow, current White House Press Secretary and former Fox News commentator, emphatically denied in mid September that the White House was pursuing a European Style union with its American neighbors. However, with the past history of lies coming from the White House on almost every major issue, constitutionally minded Americans have no choice but to look at the evidence existing for this union and believe that it is coming in the near future. The goal of the CFR is to have the project completed by 2010.

The results of this union will be catastrophic for U.S. workers. It would provide for the exclusion of unions such as the Longshoremen and Teamsters in generating contracts to transport products across the country. Most U.S.-led inspections would halt, since products from nations such as China will arrive at Mexican instead of U.S. ports and then will be transported on the proposed NAFTA Superhighway.

Some individuals in this movement  
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Public Relations Cmte  
Chairman



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Chairman

## Famous Quotes

"A committee is a group of people who individually can do nothing but together can decide that nothing can be done."

*Fred Allen*

"A fool and his money are soon elected."

*Will Rogers*

"I don't make jokes. I just watch the government and report the facts."

*Will Rogers*

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**Michael Eller**  
Finance Cmte  
Chairman

## The AFP Store

The America First Party has made a number of promotional and educational items available on its on-line internet Store.

Bumper stickers, brochures, pocket Constitutions, and caps and t-shirts will all be useful to help promote the party and its message.

In addition, several excellent books, including three titles autographed by their author Patrick J. Buchanan, are also available.

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# AFP Plan for Energy Independence

*by J. C. Schweingrouber*  
Press Secretary

America has been facing an energy crisis for several decades that has resulted in unnecessarily huge costs to our citizens and jeopardized our national security. Despite constant threats from international oil cartels and the looming likelihood of future "oil wars," elected officials in Washington have complacently continued forward and failed to provide the United States with a viable energy policy.

Oil is a vital component to our current energy needs. During OPEC's oil embargo of the 1970's, America was appalled by the fact that our nation was dependent on foreign production for 35% of our oil needs. OPEC put the brakes on the U.S. economy, inflation skyrocketed, and unemployment soared. Today our elected officials have mismanaged our energy policy to such an extent that we now depend on foreign production for over 56% of our oil needs.

Foreign energy suppliers have too much leverage over our economic well being. Their ability to manipulate supply and price could cripple the U.S. economy if Middle Eastern and South American cartels choose to do so.

Domestic production of oil has dropped to its lowest levels since the early 1950's according to many sources. According to an article written by former Oklahoma Congressman J.C. Watts, more than 57,000 gas wells and more than 136,000 oil wells have been shut down since 1997. Our soaring demand for energy, coupled with our sharp decrease in self-reliance for it, are a dangerous combination that Democrats and Republicans have refused to address. That the two parties have colluded to block a reasonable energy policy for our own national security is disgraceful, and they must be stopped to ensure that we have a better future.

The America First Party is fully aware that our national security and economic stability are dependent upon reliable access to affordable, dependable, and efficient energy resources. Any responsible national energy policy must ensure the

energy independence of the United States. Our nation must immediately adopt an energy policy that is constitutional and focused on solving our near term energy resource problems while promoting long term solutions that enhance our national security and economic well being.

The America First Party supports a transition of our energy consumption from the currently used petroleum, and other fossil fuels, to alternative and renewable sources of energy. We recognize that many promising technologies are still in developmental stages and years away from being cost-effective. With these considerations, the AFP recommends the following 6-point plan to restore our nations' energy independence.

- Eliminate the regulations that artificially impede or prohibit the production of oil from mapped, capped, off-shore, and marginal oil wells located in the lower 48 states and Alaska.
- Uncap the existing wells in the National Petroleum Reserve including Gull Island, which would allow us to produce another 1.5 million barrels per day of environmentally friendly low-sulfur oil.
- Ensure that all new oil production uses the more efficient and environmentally secure extraction technologies available.
- Impose a \$20 per barrel of oil price support provision to protect our industry from OPEC's predatory pricing practices.
- Encourage the use of clean coal, safe nuclear, wind, biomass incineration, and other existing electricity generation technologies so as to allow petroleum and natural gas supplies to be more readily available for consumer usage at reasonable prices.
- Promote the construction of new coal gasification, bio-diesel, and oil refinery capacity within the United States and increase tariffs on imported refined petroleum products.

Implementation of these steps will allow our nation to become energy independent during the coming years as our nation's scientific community and industries develop the important technologies needed to power our coming oil-free future.

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shoulders of the workers. It is now becoming obvious that the Republicans are as quick to spend money as their Democrat counterparts. The only difference is that the Republicans deny they are overspending. That makes them wasteful and liars.

Although George W. Bush promised tax cuts to the middle class, he has instead increased the budget faster than his predecessor Bill Clinton. Clinton's affair with Monica was far less costly than Bush's love for bureaucratic waste. The country was fiscally better off with a few cheap cigars than with the brushfire of growth promoted by Bush.

Money is being misused in frivolous projects such as a Teapot Museum. Puxatawney Phil is obviously overjoyed by a Museum to his prowess at Weather Forecasting. A Boxing Club in Nevada is also the recipient of your money. Perhaps, the government needs more punch-drunk citizens who have already been dumbed down by its schools. Students can also learn mariachi dancing from your generous "donation" to the government.

***Does a Wild Turkey Foundation strike your fancy?  
It should, because you are supporting one.***

Does a Wild Turkey Foundation strike your fancy? It should, because you are supporting one. How about a Tiger Woods Foundation? Ditto. These programs add up to a good part of your taxes. You are not only paying for the wasteful pork, but the bureaucracy set up to administer it. Doesn't that make you feel special?

Major waste can be found in the unconstitutional departments that permeate DC. None is more egregious than the Department of Education. Under President Clinton, funding increased 32.85% over eight years. Under the frugal George Bush it has already increased 167%. The penny-pinching programs of the Republicans are far too expensive for the average taxpayer.

The growth of debt under the Repub-

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have already begun to think about dissolving the dollar. The new currency discussed, the "Amero," as some television news reporters and internet news sources call it, would be the primary currency. After allowing twenty million illegal immigrants in our nation, running our nation headlong into debt we may not be able to repay, and allowing for the shipment overseas of millions of American jobs, are we really to believe that any of our elected officials are sincere in stopping the North American Union from happening?

All of which leads to an even scarier question: what exactly are they forcing onto Americans in the long run? Another war for independence, perhaps?

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licans has led to a debt of approximately \$30,000 for every man, woman, and child in the country -- up since the Clinton years when it topped out at \$22,000. The parsimonious programs of the Republicans are putting the working family into the poor house.

The "War on Terror" promises to build Iraq while ignoring the crumbling infrastructure of our own country. The cost of building Empire around the world is one that Americans cannot afford.

Energy prices have skyrocketed as oil-producing nations become irritated with our incursion into their countries and culture. The past winter has shown an almost prohibitive increase in the cost to heat our homes. Driving to the store to purchase price-inflated goods will soon be a luxury.

Abraham Lincoln once said that a country cannot live half slave and half free. Yet, that is exactly what is happening in our nation. The increased tax burden has placed our citizens in the position of working half of the year for the government. That makes us half slave. Check your bank account to find the chains.

The platform of the America First Party proposes to cut out pork and bring about a fair system of taxation to our citizens and those who visit. The Democrat and Republican parties have fed an overstuffed pig from the fruits of our labor. Cut down the fruit tree and let the pork die a dignified death.



**John Pittman Hey**  
National Secretary &  
Treasurer

### Famous Quotes

"Any American who is prepared to run for President should automatically, by definition, be disqualified from ever doing so."

*Gore Vidal*

"In America any boy may become President and I suppose it's just one of the risks he takes."

*Adlai Stevenson*

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## McManus

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same course.

"Mr. Bush is already on record to deal with the border problem by abolishing the border.... In March of 2005 [he] met with Mr. Fox and Harper of Canada at Waco, Texas and they agreed to the Security and Prosperity Partnership [of North America].... What does it call for? It calls for opening the borders! It calls for the United States to send tremendous amounts of aid to Mexico to try to bring them up to our level.... They're talking about building a North American Union.... It's going to be just like the European Union."

McManus digressed about the unconstitutionality and danger of the United Nations, and that it is misunderstood to be relatively harmless. "Take a look at the United Nations organizational chart and you will see



*JBS President John F. McManus addresses the America First Party of Massachusetts State Convention on June 24, 2006.*

that [for] just about every aspect of life in our country and throughout the world there is a United Nations Commission that is gaining more

strength over it. We have got to get out of the United Nations." But on a positive note, he said we are "growing in strength" in this effort.