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Cross-Border Planning at the U.S.-Mexico Border: An Institutional Approach

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Abstract: The general objective of this article is to contribute to the understanding of cross-border issues from an urban planning perspective. Cross-border planning in this article is approached as an institution-building process whose primary emphasis is on the facilitation of collective action with regards to the shared natural, built, and human environments constrained by territorial politics and boundaries of nation-states. It is argued throughout the paper that the existing institutional framework at the U.S.-Mexico border has been the result of a “muddling through” process. The existing cross-border planning institutions are the result of an adjustment process, to a great extent due to challenges to the status quo by border actors and organizations. The main conclusion of the article is that the environment and the uncertainty that this poses for the future is an issue that decision makers have been able to “muddle through” more successfully and should continue doing so by fine-tuning and supporting existing institutions and continuing the incremental process of institution building.

Introduction

The general objective of this article is to contribute to the understanding of cross-border issues from an urban planning perspective. The presence of relatively large urban binational conurbations, such as San Diego-Tijuana and El Paso-Ciudad Juarez to mention only few, makes the U.S.-Mexico border unique. Thus, it is important not only to make urban settlements a subject of inquiry but also to discuss how urban planning can contribute to improving the quality of life of border residents.

Cross-border planning, in this article, is approached as an institution-building process whose primary emphasis is on the facilitation of collective action with regards to the shared natural, built, and human environments constrained by territorial politics and boundaries of nation-states. This approach to cross-border planning closely resembles what Lindblom (1996) calls the science of “muddling through” where decision-making is done in an incremental fashion.

According to Lindblom (1996, 291), incremental planning is a method that is “continually building out from the current situation step by step and by small degrees.” In other words, decision-making is a process that adjusts to existing circumstances and changes in societal values that challenge the status quo and which demand a new institutional framework (Bromley 2006). It is argued throughout the paper that the existing institutional framework at the U.S.-Mexico border has been the result of a “muddling through” process. That is, existing cross-border planning institutions are the result of an adjustment process that, to a great extent, is due to challenges to the status quo by border actors and organizations.

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Exported Retail Sales Along the Texas-Mexico Border

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Abstract: Trade between the U.S. and Mexico has boomed over the past 10 years due partly to the significant reduction in tariffs from the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and the strong growth in the maquiladora industry. While commercial trade between the countries is well documented, less is known about the size of the cross-border retail trade that occurs. Though the size of this activity is small in comparison to commercial trade, it is a significant part of the economies of many border cities. In 2005 alone, there were more than 45 million non-commercial crossings at the bridges along the Texas-Mexico border. Many of these individuals were coming to purchase goods to take back to their home country. Since most of the retail trade conducted on the U.S. side of the border is done in cash, it is difficult to document the share of retail spending accounted for by Mexican nationals. In this article we use several techniques based on a simple consumption function to estimate the size of retail spending that is essentially exported to Mexico via cross-border shoppers. We then check our estimates of the proportion of retail sales going to Mexican nationals in the Texas border metros to see if they are consistent with the impacts to retail sales of movements in the real peso-dollar exchange rate.

Introduction

Over the past decade, trade between the U.S. and Mexico has boomed. This is partly due to the significant reduction in tariffs from the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and the strong growth in the maquiladora industry. From 1993 to 2004, total trade between the U.S. and Mexico increased threefold from about $87.5 billion to more than $275 billion. Since 1999, Mexico has displaced Japan as the second largest U.S. trading partner behind Canada.

Along with the expansion in trade has been an acceleration in already strong population growth along the northern border of Mexico. In 2000, the four largest Texas-Mexico twin border cities were home to 4.15 million people; 57 percent of these people located on the Mexican side of the border and 43 percent on the Texas side of the border (See Table 1 on next page). Generally, the populations of the cities on the Mexican side of the border are significantly larger than the corresponding populations of their U.S. sister cities. For example, in 2000 the population was 680,000 in El Paso and 1.2 million in Ciudad Juarez, and 193,000 in Laredo and 311,000 in Nuevo Laredo. Also, the South Texas border MSAs are a short drive from the industrial city of Monterrey, which had a population of 3.8 million in 2000. The large and growing populations on the Mexican side of the border represent an important consumer base for retail stores in the U.S. border towns.

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Undocumented Immigrants and Quality of Life in New Mexico and Arizona Colonias

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Abstract: Recent legislation aims to stop the northward flow of undocumented immigrants into the United States by creating amnesty and formal guest worker programs and by increasing the “deterrent effect” at the border. The 1986 Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA) contained similar policies, and subsequent research tells us much about what to expect from proposed “reforms.” However, virtually no research has considered how immigration reforms have played out at the local level. This holds especially for colonias that line the border from Texas to California. We respond to this deficiency by examining how the 1986 IRCA affected undocumented immigration and quality of life in unincorporated colonias of Arizona and New Mexico. We find that the IRCA legislation did little to stop the flow of undocumented immigrants to Arizona and New Mexico colonias and led the rise of deprivation.

Introduction

There is mounting concern about the number of undocumented immigrants entering the United States from Mexico. Issues at hand include labor market competition, financial burdens placed on local, state, and federal levels of government, human rights violations, and border security. According to some, the situation has been exaggerated while others believe the border is nearly out of control (Vernez and McCarthy 1996; United States General Accounting Office 1999; Moser 2003; Office of Border Patrol 2004; Camarota 2004; Carroll and González 2005; Innes 2006; McCombs 2006). The federal government subscribes to the latter perspective as evidenced by recent legislation. The 109th Congress responded to the “border crisis” by ratifying legislation in 2006 that calls for the construction of 700 miles of physical barriers—walls—mainly along the southern Arizona border but also in Texas. Congress also approved the hiring of 6,000 additional Border Patrol agents as part of “Operation Jump Start” (United States Customs and Border Protection 2006). These measures are aimed at deterrence, but the 110th Congress will consider other reforms such as amnesty programs, employer sanctions, foreign worker programs, and beefing up high technology surveillance. It is likely that some of these programs and policies will come on line in the near future but it is difficult to say which ones will receive Congressional support.

Although it is too early to assess the impacts of these reforms, looking back to the Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA) of 1986 provides clues about what to

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Where War Met Peace: The Borders of the Neutral Netherlands with Belgium and Germany in the First World War, 1914-1918

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Abstract: In wartime, neutral territory beckons as a beacon of safety from the conflict and strife. This was especially true for the neutral Netherlands in the First World War (1914-1918), which was situated within a short distance of the Western Front and was bordered by belligerent Germany and German-occupied Belgium. The Dutch land border became the country’s most important neutrality frontier, functioning as the geographical place where neutrality began and ended, which necessitated increased border security, witnessed new border-crossing activities, and ensured that life for border residents changed dramatically. This paper illustrates that, once Germany occupied Belgium, the Dutch border region in the south became a fraught zone between ‘war’ and ‘peace.’ But the eastern border with Germany proper also changed in character. The war situation and changing circumstances at the frontier impacted on the relationship between locals and the state (the authority in charge of border security) and changed locals’ understandings about what it meant to be ‘neutral,’ a ‘frontier-zone resident,’ and ‘Dutch’ in this extraordinary situation.

Introduction

Borderlands researchers tend to analyze the impact of neutrality as frequently as historians study the borders of nation-states; very rarely. This paper attempts to contribute to both fields by bringing the multi-disciplinary scholarship on borderlands into a historical framework and situating a neutral border in a time of war to inform borderlands studies. During the First World War (1914-1918), neutral European governments upheld strict controls at their national borders to an extent not witnessed or deemed necessary before the war. The viability of their neutrality depended on the territorial integrity of their border regions and on their ability to uphold international neutrality obligations there. In many respects, the border was the barometer of a neutral country’s security, safety, and independence. With the German invasion of neutral Belgium on August 3-4, 1914, for example, the Dutch border became the most important neutrality frontier for the Dutch state, especially in the south. It necessitated careful policing in the form of military guards and a heightened customs officer presence. This meant that life for frontier-zone residents2 changed dramatically. While the border hardly featured in the everyday lives of locals until August 4, 1914, from this point on crossing into German-occupied Belgium, as well as Germany proper, and back out again became

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United States-Mexican Border Watershed Assessment: Modeling Nonpoint Source Pollution in Ambos Nogales

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Abstract: Ecological considerations need to be interwoven with economic policy and planning along the United States-Mexican border. Non-point source pollution can have significant implications for the availability of potable water and the continued health of borderland ecosystems in arid lands. However, environmental assessments in this region present a host of unique issues and problems. A common obstacle to the solution of these problems is the integration of data with different resolutions, naming conventions, and quality to create a consistent database across the binational study area. This report presents a simple modeling approach to predict nonpoint source pollution that can be used for border watersheds. The modeling approach links a hillslope-scale erosion-prediction model and a spatially derived sediment-delivery model within a geographic information system to estimate erosion, sediment yield, and sediment deposition across the Ambos Nogales watershed in Sonora, Mexico, and Arizona. This paper discusses the procedures used for creating a watershed database to apply the models and presents an example of the modeling approach applied to a conservation-planning problem.

Introduction

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) identifies sediment as the primary nonpoint source pollutant in streams and water channels. Excessive sediment load upsets the ongoing ecology within streams by smothering bottom-dwelling organisms and further interferes by reducing light penetration, which affects photosynthesis. Turbidity, which is the optical property of water that causes light to be scattered, absorbed, and diffracted rather than transmitted directly, is an obvious form of visual impairment that is strongly associated with suspended mineral sediment (Hawkins 2003). Sedimentary materials are nonpoint source pollutants that also act as carriers of nutrients and toxins, inhibit fish reproduction, and alter natural streamflow (Stringer and Perkins 1997).

The stewardship of borderland watersheds is a collective socio-economic and environmental responsibility. Population growth, urbanization, and development along with aquifer depletion, surface-water usage, pollution, and climate change, all threaten the availability of water resources along the United States-Mexican border (Nitze 2003). The International Boundary Water Commission (IBWC) manages and allocates the use

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Silesian Identity: Social and Political Problems

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Abstract: This paper focuses on Silesia, where a phenomenon now forgotten in Europe (i.e. the formation of a new nation) has recently appeared: in this case, the Silesian nation. After World War II, which inflicted suffering and heavy losses on some national and cultural minorities inhabiting the territory of Poland, people of different race and apparently different culture simply vanished from Polish public life. After the democratic changes, people talk more openly about their different traditions and different backgrounds. A totally unexpected phenomenon is the strong emphasis placed on cultural diversity by the Silesian group. It appears as an attempt at creating a new nation. Demographers estimate the number of Silesians to be approximately 350,000 (Rauzinski 1997). However, the last census, carried out in June 2002, revealed that in Silesia 172,700 people defined themselves as members of the Silesian nation, whereas 136,200 people declared themselves as members of the German nation. At the beginning of the 1990s, up to 500,000 Silesians called themselves Germans. Now, the number of Germans has diminished. It is interesting to point out why Silesians neither want to be members of the Polish, nor of the German nation. For many people, the frequent changes of national identity in that part of the Polish borderland are hard to accept. In the 1990s, Silesians—through various associations of German minorities—were becoming political partners of Poland. They have now declared themselves members of a new Silesian nation. The problem of the volatility of Silesian national identity and the recent attempt to create a Silesian nation are not too widely discussed in sociological literature. Silesia is a borderland area and borders that cross that territory have changed at least three times during the 20th century. It resulted in identity problems for indigenous people we have observed nowadays. This is an ongoing process so it is hard to forecast the future for Silesia since changes are taking place so fast and frequently.

Why is Polish Society Non-Ethnical?

The cultural diversity of Polish society is an evident fact. However, it has far too often been overlooked. Common thinking, as well as the media and scholarly dissertations, used to be dominated by the concept that Polish culture was a monolithic structure. This was a result of War World II and the post-war policy of the Polish communist government.

After the Holocaust, which inflicted suffering and heavy losses on some national and cultural minorities inhabiting the territory of Poland (such as Jews and Gypsies), people of different race and apparently different material culture simply vanished from Polish public life. They can no longer be encountered on the street or at social events. Furthermore, due to geopolitical changes, many people of mixed Polish-Ukrainian, Polish-Lithuanian, and Polish-Slovak culture have found themselves beyond the Polish borders.

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Book Review

Talking Borders: A Review of the Ashgate Series on Border Regions
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Challenged Borderlands: Transcending Political and Cultural Boundaries

B/ordering Space

Drawing the Line: Nature, Hybridity and Politics in Transboundary Spaces
by Juliet Fall (2005)

EU Enlargement, Region Building and Shifting Borders of Inclusion and Exclusion

Reviewed by David Newman*

The books reviewed in this essay are part of the impressive series of border related texts, which have been published as part of the Ashgate Border Regions series. With one exception, Drawing the Line by Juliet Fall, the books are collections of essays, some of which have been brought together as a result of conferences and seminars which have been held on border related topics during the past decade, a period in which there has been an exponential growth of border studies both in Europe and North America.

The books throw up the diverse themes which have become part of Border Studies during this period; notably, the relationship between borders and identity, the changing function and role of borders in Europe in general (and the EU in particular), and the functional nature of borderland and trans-boundary regions. Most of the volumes present a wealth of case studies, largely drawn from the European context, adding enormously

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to our knowledge of the processes and dynamics of change which are constantly taking place in and around borders.

In *Living (with) Borders*, edited by Ulrike Meinhof, a consortium of researchers—from countries straddling the borders which have undergone change as a result of the dramatic social and political upheaval in the wake of the collapse of the Soviet Union—conducted fieldwork and interviews in an attempt to gain a deeper understanding of people’s everyday experiences, their memories of the past, and their understanding of and feelings about “the others” across the border. The results, presented as a discursive collection of border narratives, demonstrate the multiple identities which people living in close proximity to borders often display. These identities play out differently amongst the age cohorts, with each of three generations of people living in these border communities and displaying diverse understandings of the major political, social, and economic changes which have taken place.

These narratives emphasize the substantial impact that borders have on the daily life practices of people in border communities. Many of these practices are mediated through the existence and, subsequently, the removal of the boundary. The contributions show how complex identities can be understood through personal narrative of the way people perceive those who live on the “other” side of the border and the extent to which those perceptions change as a result of the border openings. This is particularly important in relation to German, Austrian, Polish, Hungarian, Italian, and Slovenian borders; where political tensions during the Cold War era were heightened and the border often symbolized the line at which enemies confronted each other—rather than neighbors meeting each other—as occurred when the borders re-opened. The post War political tensions and the desire by governments—not only on each side of the Iron Curtain border but even within the respective West and East domains of control—to maintain and to institutionalize their borders with effective means of management and control often resulted in the strengthening of separate identity consciousness, even in regions where languages and histories were common to many of the peoples.

The opening of borders theme and its impact upon local communities is taken further in *Challenged Borderlands*, edited by Pavlakovich, Morehouse, and Wastl-Watert, by drawing on notions of economic flows and benefits which, it is generally argued, result from border openings. Much of the borderless world discourse has emerged from the field of Economics where the notion of global capital flows and global markets have, for many, replaced the former economic focus on borders as tariff and customs barriers. The book explores some of the contradictory, yet simultaneous, processes affecting border regions; not least where the economic or political opening of borders does not necessarily correspond with a merging of cross-border identities. Diverse chapters offer a wide range of perspectives on global, national, regional, and local processes and provide a useful matrix for understanding their complex, multilayered implications. Here too, diverse local and regional case studies, mostly from Central Europe, highlight key concepts such as the impact of globalization on the role and function of borders and the way in which identities are negotiated and mediated through the existence of borders.

Implicit in some of the opening chapters of this book is the drawing together of the North American experience with that of post-1990 Europe, a period during which the perceived benefits of NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement) had a major impact on border thinking, research, and management in that continent. The increasing flow of goods, capital, ideas, and people across boundaries promised to reduce physi-
cal and cognitive distances. In the pre 9/11 era, the U.S.-Mexican border emerged in public consciousness as a location of new opportunities and academics and public officials sought ways in which to make the border easier to negotiate as a means of increasing the flow of trade. Following this era, the emphasis has been, once again, on the way in which to close and seal borders (especially in the USA) to the perceived threat of terrorism and instability from the outside. Border scholars—who in the 1990s were funded by organizations eager to find ways of making borders more elastic, flexible, and easier to cross—are now faced with the demand to show government agencies how borders can be closed more tightly and sealed against the perceived threats emanating from beyond the border. Thus, the functional role of borders is highly politically contingent and, although the general trend is for borders to move along the continuum from closed to more open, events can occur which partially reverse this process.

While all of the books contribute important case studies to our changing understanding of the bordering dynamics, the one text, which is explicitly more conceptual than the others, is *B/ordering Spaces*, edited by Van Houtum and his colleagues at the Nijmegen Centre for Border Studies in the Netherlands. The authors show how, in the wake of globalization, notions of mobility, fluidity, and “hybridity” characterize the presumed “deterritorialization” and de-bordering of contemporary social and economic relations. This book brings together a group of human geographers to explore the use of these concepts in relation to space, place, and territory. In doing so, they (re)situate the subject of borders as active socio-spatial processes from a variety of theoretical perspectives. The contributors link debates on borders to discussions within the wider sphere of cultural studies, notably those addressing themes of migration, post-colonialism, the formation of national/regional identities, and radical democratic practice. An important question that arises out of these contributions is the nature of power relation in the way that borders are constituted in the first place as a means of ensuring power hegemonies, both within and between States and local communities. The same power relations are an important factor in understanding the way in which borders may be “deconstituted” in other places and at other times—often the same power elites—constructing and deconstructing borders as a result of changing historical and political contingencies, but ultimately serving the same, not new, political interests.

The chapters in the Van Houtum volume focus on those discursive practices that “constitute ‘bordered’ geographical entities in the first instance through differentiated regimes of discourse.” The book thus transcends the narrower field of borderlands research by building bridges to other domains of enquiry within political and human geography. Border studies have become increasingly cross-disciplinary, with political scientists, sociologists, and anthropologists (to name but a few) meeting geographers and planners in a new trans-boundary space in a joint attempt to understand the dynamics of the bordering process. As such, flows and networks are of greater significance than the simplistic notions of fixed spaces and territories. This is highlighted in those contributions which focus on boundary poetics along the Portuguese-Spanish borderlands (Sidaway), spaces of absence along the Dutch-German border (Struver), spaces of orientation in Israel/Palestine (Gregory), and the re-imagining of bounded routes and discourses (Natter).

The one authored (as contrasted with edited) collections book in this collection is *Drawing the Line* by Juliet Fall. This book provides a critical examination of the spatial assumptions underpinning transboundary-protected areas in Europe at a time of surging interest in the creation and management of such areas. It explores how the reliance
on the natural science approach to space within environmental planning has led to a return of exclusionary discourses, in paradoxical contrast to the stated claims of designing “peace parks” which are perceived as straddling borders, bringing mutual benefits to residents of both sides of the border. The book builds a much-needed link between the critical geopolitical literature on boundaries and social approaches to nature and “hybridity.” Examples from France, Germany, Italy, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, and the Ukraine all highlight the complexity of trans-boundary experiences even when the common cause—environment and quality of life—is far removed from out and out political objectives. The book does raise important questions concerning the nature of relations in trans-boundary regions and the extent to which these areas are characterized by a form of “hybridity,” resulting from forms of inclusion, or whether past political separation and tensions prevent this from happening to the extent that border theorists argue should be the case.

Fall’s book, which concentrates on trans-boundary environmental issues, is a good example of how different notions of border and boundary can be drawn together when discussing the most physical of phenomena. She shows how the organization and delimitation of space continues to be of fundamental importance even where the traditional forms of spatial and territorial compartmentalization are crossed at the border. The discussion of the myth of boundless nature is of particular significance as it challenges our basic understanding of what does, and what does not, cross boundaries with ease. In its place, she discusses the notion of complex spatial scenarios as well as the way in which science and politics intervene and mediate in the design of protected areas, cross-boundary peace parks, and contested boundaries.

And even as borders undergo physical opening as a result of political agreements, we are reminded that there always remains an external border, but that it is continually shifted from one location to another. This is highlighted in the collection of essays brought together in the book on EU Enlargement edited by James Scott. The 2004 entry of 10 Central and Eastern European countries, along with Malta and Cyprus, into the EU has caused a huge shift in the EU’s external boundaries. The socio-economic and political transformations that this shift has caused not only suggest new regional development opportunities, but also many potential problems and tensions. While the EU insists that enlargement will not signify “new divisions,” processes of inclusion, exclusion, and the imposition of visa restrictions on non-EU citizens could pose obstacles to co-operation and conjure fears of an emerging “fortress Europe” that effectively divides the continent. This is clearly apparent with the new wave of anti-immigration feeling which has arisen in some western European countries as a result of the mass movement of people seeking employment from Poland and Slovakia, a feeling which will be exacerbated even further following the inclusion of Romania and Bulgaria to the EU in 2007. The outer borders of the EU, those brought about by the Schengen Agreements, will become tougher to cross and will undergo new processes of border closing, demarcation, and management.

The Scott book does, however, emphasize the importance of cross-border regions as an important step in the gradual opening of what were once closed borders. Illustrated with case studies from Central and Eastern European border areas, this book examines capacities for region building across national borders within the context of EU enlargement, suggesting ways forward for the future development of the EU’s “Wider Europe” strategy. Borders as places of meeting and cooperation do not have to wait for the formal opening or removal of the border for such interaction to take place while, in
many cases, the formal opening of the border is helped along in those areas where there has already been a heightened degree of cross-border regional activity.

Two themes, which are thrown up in each of the books reviewed here, are those concerning border narratives on the one hand, and the local scale of daily life practices along the border on the other. Border related texts of the previous decades focused almost entirely on the border as a component of the State at the macro level of political relations between neighboring countries. Whether a border was open or closed was traditionally seen as being the prerogative of the State, and it was assumed that, almost miraculously, the opening of a border would bring about flows of people, goods, and neighborly interaction. The recent discussion of border narratives, past and present, as discussed in some way or other in all of the texts reviewed here show that the perceptions and understandings of the border are something which are felt at the local and micro levels of daily behavior, more evident when the border is formally closed, but also apparent even long after the border has been opened and when the physical movement and interaction of people has been allowed to take place freely. It is possible that second and third generation border residents, who have been born and grown up entirely in a situation of open borders, may have completely different border narratives than their parents’ and grandparents’ generation; all of whom lived along closed borders for part of their lives, some of whom still went to war over border and territory related issues.

These excellent books go a long way to dispelling notions of a borderless world, as if this notion had not been dispelled already. However, with the notable exception of the Van Houtum, Kramsch, and Zierhofer volume and some of the introductory chapters, these books stop short addressing some of the more conceptual aspects of border studies. The border literature of the past decade is not lacking case study material, especially from the Western and Central European milieux. What is lacking, however, is a concerted attempt to create a text which will examine the changing notions of borders and bordering as a phenomenon that spreads well beyond the geographical and the physical borders and takes in the various sociological and philosophical understandings of what borders are and what their role is in the era of globalization. The cross-disciplinary debate, which has taken place at numerous workshops and conferences during the past decade, is not necessarily translated into a text which creates a common border language, addressing such topics as crossing borders, borders as bridges or barriers, borderland and frontier milieux, the management of borders, and the binary distinctions which borders are perceived as creating in most instances. This is the challenge awaiting the next generation of border books and one for which the Ashgate series is well suited to pursue.
Book Review

Holding the Line: Borders in a Global World

by Heather N. Nicol and Ian Townsend-Gault (eds.)
Vancouver: University of British Columbia Press (2005)

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Holding the Line: Borders in a Global World is a collection of papers, edited by Heather Nicol and Ian Townsend-Gault, which were originally presented at the Permeable Borders and Boundaries Conference in Vancouver (B.C.) in August 1999. This book presents a series of nineteen case studies and conceptual papers organized in eight parts. According to the editors, they “offer different perspectives on the nature of the new seismic forces” (2) at work on and around borders and borderlands as they are transformed by globalization.

Part one, The World Stage: New Opportunities and Problems, sets the stage with three chapters linking border issues with globalization and regionalization. Chapter one, written by Gerald Blake, discusses how general views on the permeability of borders may blur and over-simplify complex realities. In chapter two, Thomas M. Edward provides a normative view on how and why transnational corporations and national states should share a common space of interest. In the third chapter, Robert Adamson offers a legal and political point of view on how public policies have acquired a growing dependence on relatively latent international and transnational issues in the past decades. Part two, Regionalism and Subregionalism in Europe, discusses European boundaries whose functions are increasingly defined by the regional integration process. In chapter four, Eberhard Bort compares internal and external borders as they obey cyclical re-definitions to accommodate politics (e.g. they are open and regulate migratory flows). In the fifth chapter, James Wesley Scott examines infra-national activities in the Baltic Sea area and concludes that such cross-border activities constitute necessary dynamics to EU building. The third part of the book, Emerging Perspectives, is particularly original because it introduces discussions to the little-known border regions of Africa and Southeast Asia. In chapter six, Anthony I. Asiwaju promotes non-national perspectives in post-colonial Africa. Clive Schofield’s chapter focuses upon trans-maritime cooperation in Southeast Asia and helps to understand how maritime borders reflect transnational cooperations within joint development zones for fishing— in the Gulf of Thailand for instance. Part four, Redefining Boundaries in the Americas, sheds light on Latin America. In chapter eight, Heather Nicol shows how the Caribbean states have attempted to promote a regional identity and political links in developing a
common neo-liberal project. Roy Bradshaw’s chapter reminds us of the very specific nature of South American borders that are historically rooted in the colonial Spanish Vice-Royalties and Portuguese colony and Empire: Bradshaw’s analysis reflects current aspects of Latin American regional integration dilemmas, in spite of the recent widening of MERCOSUR. Part five, *A Borderless North America?*, examines the Cascadia cross-border region with three chapters (eleven-thirteen) by Donald K. Alper, Alan F. J. Artibise, and Daniel E. Turbeville III and Susan L. Bradbury. They focus on the economic, historical, and political perspectives of this Northwestern cross-border region. Theodore H. Cohn, in chapter ten, compares transportation and infrastructure issues in Cascadia and the San Diego-Tijuana areas.

The last three parts and six chapters of this book change focus from case studies to theoretical discussions. Part six concerns the idea of *Borders as Metaphors*. In chapter fourteen, Mathew Coleman emphasizes the discursive dimensions of borders that are spatial markers as well as symbolic, textual, and social constructions. In chapter fifteen, Steven Jackson presents Malaysia’s Multimedia Super Corridor to suggest that common optimistic perspectives on information technologies hide a more bordered socio-spatial organization of society. The seventh part, *Rethinking Borders: Lines, Spaces and Continua*, then focuses on cartographic and textual views of borders. William B. Wood, in chapter sixteen, shows how the recent humanitarian agenda of NGOs and international organizations has contributed to an increased use of geographic information systems. These, in turn, have lead the way to new international operations. In chapter seventeen, Alan K. Henrikson argues that the concept of “good neighbourhood,” though pertinent in matters of diplomacy, implies that a boundary policy “should be a ‘Mending Wall’” (355) or, in other words, should result from a “consociative” initiative. In the eighth part, Stanley D. Brunn *et al.* underline that boundaries and borderlands have a constant significance in spite of the siren song of a borderless world. In chapter nineteen, David Newman suggests that the tools to measure dynamic objects such as borders and borderlands should be adaptable as well.

*Holding the Line* thus offers a multi-disciplinary perspective to border studies, taking into account recent global and local events. Three main comments may be suggested. First, it is successful in refusing a deeply rooted border “doxa” (Bourdieu 1998) since it exclusively focuses on questioning practical knowledge of borders. It is also successful in confronting scientific approaches in vogue in the 1990s that depicted the world as “borderless” and globalized. Finally, it provides rich readings that represent a solid toolbox for further comparative and “self-analytical” (Touraine 1995) researches about borders and borderlands.

In conclusion, Heather Nicol reminds us of the role of border “doxa” through the eloquent metaphor of “the framework of the grade-school political map (to which we have all become accustomed)” (418). Arno Peters’ work in cartographic studies imposed a healthy distance from European-centered maps that jeopardize our scientific attitude regarding border studies in particular (Peters 1989). In the same vein, the various authors of *Holding the Line* give a multi-disciplinary picture of boundaries. What is striking is the diversity and richness of this volume, not only because most continents are studied, but also because they let us become aware of the relative stability and permanence of borders over time, as reflected in the title.

This volume has another virtue: the editors and each contributor reject the 1990s “borderlessness” principle. Instead, finely shaded scientific analyses make us think about borders according to broad norms but also as “symbolic violence” (Bourdieu
1984; 1993) as they are emerging from the rich perceptions, discourses, and “instrumentalizations” of borders. To do so, the authors focus on specific topics such as: border security—whose transgression is, at present, mainly reflected in trans-national terrorism and criminalized migratory issues (e.g. Wacquant 2006); corporate uses of boundaries and territories—with global products but differentiated local marketing strategies and inventive fiscal tactics; or variable social and political re-territorialization—with various distinct effects in Africa, Latin America, Southeast Asia, North America, and Europe. In the end, the call for a “conceptual framework for boundary studies” (419) is extremely well documented and justified.

This volume will be very stimulating for scholars. Students, scholars, and political decision-makers will most likely be the first readers of this book. However, a much wider audience interested in understanding the current socio-political environment will also be interested.

References

The Three U.S.-Mexican Border Wars: Drugs, Immigration and Homeland Security

by Tony Payan

Reviewed by Heather Nicol*

_The Three U.S.-Mexican Border Wars: Drugs, Immigration and Homeland Security_ employs a narrative approach to its topic: tracing lives of borderland inhabitants, both Mexican and American, who depend upon crossing the U.S.-Mexico border on a regular basis. Their stories are “a powerful image of the border” and can truly claim to be “representative illustrations of life at the southern edge of the American empire,” a theme which is tackled in this very compelling study. Indeed, the book squarely addresses the complexity of this southern edge—at times chaotic, lawless, and yet also a symbol of hope, courage, and hard work. These two worlds, the good and the bad, are intimately connected in a strip of land running 2100 miles along the southern edge of the U.S. and the northern edge of Mexican territory. But in order to appreciate the real border, its function, meaning, and future; Payan argues that it is necessary to see where and how the border has formed and the impact of these “lawless” and “chaotic” border stories upon the definition of border policies, border management, and cross-border processes. While the border is a homeland to many, contemporary border images focus almost exclusively upon the turmoil and disarray.

In reviewing the history of chaos and “management” along the U.S.-Mexico border, Payan identifies four periods in which the U.S. government has largely shaped the meaning of the border for its residents (frontier, customs border, law enforcement border and security border). Each stage is marked by changes in policy and, equally important, changes on the ground in terms of border landscapes, management, and infrastructure.

These four stages, roughly defined by contemporaneous historical events and U.S. policy responses, have culminated in the current border management regime. Today the U.S.-Mexican border is largely perceived as a concern for national security and has experienced successive levels of closing as escalation of control along the border on each side sees the addition of greater levels of surveillance, control, and personnel to control it. But, Payan argues, the real problem is that in all of this effort to define and control, those who live in the borderlands have not been consulted: “Border residents

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have little control over the image and reputation of their homeland” (15). The border has become a symbol, instead, for politicians to grandstand over drugs, undocumented immigration, and homeland security and bears little resemblance to the way in which the border is perceived by its residents. Payan suggests that for forty years, in fact, the U.S. has waged war on its border, principally over drugs and undocumented immigration. Only in the past five years has the third border war emerged—a war on terror as it potentially manifests itself as a “threat” to national security along the U.S.-Mexican borderlands.

For Payan, the wars and the policies they embody are the subject of the remainder of the volume. In the chapters that follow, he traces both the emergence of concern over various issues—immigration, drugs, and terror—and the border management eras that have been constructed to effectively wage war on each. Yet, Payan suggests that there is a democratic deficit in terms of the citizens of the borderlands. Borderland residents have no input into how the federal governments of their homelands deal with regional issues and, as a result, do not govern themselves. Rather they are governed from afar, or above, with little input into the process. The result has been a stereotype about “the dangerous border” and conflation of very different issues. Moreover, as new policies are implemented to militate against perceived escalation of danger, from politicians and afar, the same management mistakes and misperceptions become so entrenched and institutionalized that they are repeated and perpetuated. Escalation of control, the theme of the past century of border relations, has now led to a fenced and indeed militarized border. Yet, the problematic flows for which they seek to stem the tide have only increased.

Overall, this book is excellent and innovative in its understanding of contemporary U.S.-Mexican border management policies. The book captures the essence of Payan’s overall argument about the evolution of the contemporary U.S.-Mexican border. There is no doubt that it is a complex and, at times, chaotic region. There is no doubt that there are tremendous challenges to be faced and resolved in order to ensure human security within the region. There is also no doubt that the problems of the border region have been conceptualized and generalized in broader economic, legalistic, and security geopolitical paradigms which neglect the specific context of the borderlands themselves, the people, and the processes which are encountered in daily living. Thus Washington’s mobilization to produce a more secure border has also failed for the same reasons that other efforts to manage and control transnational processes within the region have not met with success. The result has been a conflation of issues such as undocumented immigration and overstayed legal immigration, law enforcement and visa adjudication, open borders and closed border policies, and intelligence failures.

The book is thus a welcome change from some of the previous literature on U.S.-Mexican border management, which speaks to the issue of transnational tensions in less informed and nuanced ways, and will be of use in the classroom for undergraduate as well as graduate reading. Where Payan shines in his analysis is in his ability to capture the sense of complexity and contradiction in the area of border formation and management and in applying the analytical framework in which a series of federal policies are clearly recognizable as a coherent, if ill-advised, series of policy solutions “eras” in which the U.S.-Mexican borderlands are rapidly closing. Payan makes no pretense that he has the answers for the failed policies but rather suggests the place to look for answers that are more effective. The answers will not be found when imposed from above without appreciation or consultation of the region’s residents themselves.
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(Phibbs 1987, 122-24)


**Organization as Author**

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**Contribution to a Multi-Author Book**

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(Wright 1968-78, 2: 341)

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