PART II
Making Identities
money to purchase a house in the nearby Beacon Hill neighborhood. He had his job at a once. Over the years, this work allowed him to save up for a down payment, one of which he used to buy his first home. In 1940, he was hired by a company that manufactured electronic products. He worked there for several years, learning new skills and later became a supervisor. He managed the production line, ensuring high-quality output. In 1950, he left the company to open his own business, focusing on electronic components. He worked there for 20 years, earning a reputation for excellence. In 1970, he retired and focused on his family. He was a dedicated father and husband, always putting his family first. He passed away in 2000, leaving behind a legacy of dedication and hard work.
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through company housing, a vocational school, athletic leagues, and workers’ clubs succeeded in making Mexican workers loyal company men, allowing Esmeltianos to craft a different narrative of their experiences. Their endurance of physically demanding working conditions and racist foremen and their acquisition of industrial skills allowed Esmeltianos to become smelter men, claiming a Mexican American masculine identity that gave them legitimacy and status in a border labor system that was set up to demean and exploit Mexican workers.7

The working identities constructed in the context of smelter jobs extended beyond the shop floor. The work at the smelter intruded in tangible ways into the lives of all Esmeltianos. While smelter work may have been men’s work, it relied on the critical supportive roles that women and children played in the economic life of the community. The smelter not only helped to shape the immediate economic opportunities of the men, women, and children of Smeltertown, but it also was the means by which Esmeltianos planted strong roots on the American side of the border and defined their place in the border city. In fashioning an identity as a permanent class of workers with families, community ties, and a long, multigenerational history within the industry that kept the city and region churning, Esmeltianos challenged the company’s stereotypes and wider view of Mexican labor as transient as well as the very border labor system that systematically placed Mexicans in the lowest rungs of the economic ladder.

Help Wanted: Cheap, Docile, and Mexican
By the start of the twentieth century, the city of commerce, manufacturing, and industry that El Paso boosters had envisioned was a reality. As promised, the city’s large Mexican population and reputation as a labor depot provided the thousands of unskilled, manual workers that employers required. According to the 1920 manufacturing census, El Paso had more than 2.3 million feet of factory floor space and over six thousand men and women worked in one of the city’s two hundred manufacturing firms. Of these workers, more than 70 percent were Mexican.8 By the 1930 census, the city counted more than thirty thousand gainfully employed men and women, more than half of whom were of Mexican origin, largely clustered in occupations in manufacturing and industry, transportation (including railroad work), and domestic and personal services.9 It appeared that manufacturers and boosters had tapped into a gold mine when it came to locating a steady pool of working hands.

Throughout the Southwest, pervasive and deeply held racial stereotypes about Mexican workers reinforced and justified their exploitation as a largely unskilled labor force. Mexicans, many employers believed, were biologically predetermined and intellectually suited to be common laborers. In a 1908 report for the Department of Commerce and Labor, Victor S. Clark described the majority of Mexican immigrants entering the United States in the first decades of the twentieth century—many of them displaced agricultural peon laborers—as “Indians in physique, temperament, character and mentality.”10 In addition to their perceived lack of intelligence, Mexican workers were believed to be physiologically built for the kinds of arduous labor available in the railroads, mines, smelters, factories, and fields of the Southwest. Arguing in favor of the extension of exemptions for Mexican agricultural workers in 1920, for example, one Texas farm owner contended that not only was the Mexican laborer a “hot-weather plant” who worked better in the Texas summer heat given his “tropical” origins, but he was also “specially fitted for the burdensome task of bending his back to pick cotton and the burdensome task of grubbing the fields.” What Mexicans reputedly lacked in physical strength they more than made up for with “nimble fingers” and the ability to complete repetitive tasks in agricultural and factory work.11 Similarly, in his comments about El Paso’s “most attractive” labor supply, Frank H. Knapp, manager of the Industrial and Manufacturers’ Department of the El Paso Chamber of Commerce, asserted: “For mechanical operations he is usually superior to an American, for he will be content to remain on one operation and will attain great dexterity.”12 By choosing to view Mexicans as naturally adapted to unpleasant work, employers managed to create a pool of the perfect laborers to suit their needs.

Employers further characterized Mexicans as docile and lacking in ambition, traits that perpetuated the notion that they were controllable and exploitable on the job, and that called into question their masculine right to higher wages and better working conditions. “The Mexican laborer is unambitious, listless, physically weak, irregular and indolent,” Clark wrote. “On the other hand, he is docile, patient, usually orderly in camp, fairly intelligent under competent supervision, obedient and cheap.” While hardly a ringing endorsement, these qualities especially appealed to businesses looking to keep their labor costs down and to minimize labor conflicts. “If he were active and ambitious,” reasoned Clark, “he would be less tractable and would cost more.”13 The fact that Mexicans, like those employed in section gangs on American railroads, were willing to live in adobe houses or ramshackle cabins with few
Transnational employer strategies help shape the evolution of economic opportunities and demand for labor in Mexico. In recent years, the Mexican economy's growth has been driven by a combination of factors, including increased foreign investment, expanding global trade, and advancements in technology. This growth has created a surge in demand for skilled workers who can adapt to new technologies and industries.

In Mexico, the labor market has evolved to meet the needs of these changing economic conditions. The country has experienced a surge in outsourcing and offshoring activities, particularly in the technology and manufacturing sectors. These trends have led to the need for workers with specialized skills and knowledge to support these industries.

In response, educational institutions and vocational programs have been developed to prepare students for these new job opportunities. The Mexican government has also implemented policies to improve the quality of education and training, focusing on areas with high demand for skilled workers.

Despite these efforts, however, challenges remain. The country continues to face issues such as unemployment, underemployment, and income inequality. Addressing these challenges will require a multi-faceted approach, involving collaboration between government, education, and private sectors to ensure that workers have the skills and opportunities needed to succeed in the global economy.
We turn now to consider the longer-term consequences of the border wall. The construction of the wall, which began in 2018, was a key plank in the platform of Donald Trump's 2016 presidential campaign. The wall was intended to stem the flow of undocumented migrants across the border from Mexico, and to secure the sovereignty of the United States.

The wall, however, has had a number of unintended consequences. It has effectively closed off many areas of the border, making it more difficult for migrants to cross. It has also had a significant impact on the economy of the border towns, as businesses that rely on tourism and cross-border trade have seen a decline in activity.

Additionally, the construction of the wall has led to a number of legal and ethical concerns. There have been allegations of human rights abuses and of workers being forced into unsafe conditions. The lawfulness of the construction of the wall is also being challenged in the courts.

Despite these challenges, the wall remains a controversial issue. It continues to be a source of debate and discussion, both within the United States and internationally.
of the city's economy for generations to come.

In El Paso, with the high demand for Mexican workers, employers are now willing to accept a workforce that speaks little or no English. The Mexican workers no longer need to be literate in English to hold their jobs. These workers are employed in a variety of industries, from manufacturing to construction, fulfilling the labor needs of the city.

With this shift, Mexican workers have become more integrated into the workforce in El Paso. They have become essential to the city's economy, filling the gaps left by their predecessors. The result is a diverse, dynamic workforce that contributes to the city's growth and prosperity.

In conclusion, the presence of Mexican workers in El Paso has transformed the city's labor market. They have adapted to the demands of the city, and the city has adapted to the demands of its workforce. Together, they are building a brighter future for El Paso.
The Dual Language Worker: A Shared History of Mexican Workers

The dual language worker is a significant component of the workforce in many industries. This group of workers, who are proficient in both Spanish and English, plays a crucial role in the modern economy. They are often found in positions that require them to communicate effectively with clients or customers, and are essential in providing bilingual services.

The dual language worker is also important in the field of education. They are often employed in schools to provide support to bilingual students. They help teachers to communicate with students who are not fluent in English, and provide additional support to students who are learning English.

In the field of healthcare, dual language workers are essential in providing medical care to Spanish-speaking patients. They help doctors and nurses to communicate with patients who may not be fluent in English, and provide additional support to patients who are learning English.

The dual language worker is also important in the field of customer service. They are often employed in call centers and other customer service positions to provide bilingual support to customers who speak Spanish. They help to ensure that customers are able to communicate effectively with their service providers.

In the field of finance, dual language workers are essential in providing financial services to Spanish-speaking clients. They help clients to understand financial products and services, and provide additional support to clients who are learning English.

The dual language worker is a valuable asset to many industries. They help to bridge the linguistic gap between English-speaking and Spanish-speaking communities, and provide essential support to clients who are learning English.

The dual language worker is a unique and valuable member of the workforce. They are essential in providing bilingual support to clients and customers, and are important in helping to bridge the linguistic gap between English-speaking and Spanish-speaking communities.
The expansion of Mexican labor was vital to the industry's growth and development. The presence of Mexican workers and jobs could be found in many sectors, including manufacturing, agriculture, construction, and service industries. This influx of labor helped to fill the demand for workers in these industries, contributing to the overall economic growth of the region.

Inside the Gates: Mexican Workers in the El Paso Smelter

The Mexican labor force was integral to the operation of the El Paso Smelter, which was a major producer of lead and zinc. The smelter employed hundreds of Mexican workers, who were integral to the production process. The workers were involved in various tasks, from maintenance and repair to the actual production of the smelters.

The presence of Mexican workers was a reflection of the industry's dependence on a large labor force to meet the demands of production. The industry was characterized by a high rate of immigration, with many workers coming from Mexico to find employment in the smelter.
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Although segmentation is a less well-studied topic in Latin American departments, it can be the 1950s and 1960s. As the Mexican economy developed, the segregation issue became prominent as the government began to address the problem of inequality and the need for social policy. The Mexican government passed several laws to address this issue, including the 1938 Law on the Protection of Workers, which established minimum wage and working conditions for workers. This law was followed by the 1943 Law on the Security of Work, which protected workers' rights and established a minimum wage. The government also implemented a series of social programs to address the needs of workers, including the 1943 Social Security Law, which established a system of social security for workers. These laws and programs helped to reduce the social and economic inequality that existed in the country, but they were not enough to completely eradicate the problem. Despite these efforts, the issue of social and economic inequality remains a significant challenge in Mexico today. Additionally, the government has implemented several initiatives to address the issue of social and economic inequality, including programs to educate and train workers, as well as initiatives to promote entrepreneurship and small businesses. These efforts have helped to address the issue of inequality, but more work needs to be done to fully eradicate the problem.
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MAKING IDENTITIES

We live in a society where we are constantly being told stories of success, failure, and everything in between. These stories are often presented in such a way that they are easy to understand and easy to digest. However, the reality is often much more complex and nuanced. This is especially true when it comes to the experiences of Mexican workers in the United States.

In the past, many Mexican workers have been depicted as a homogenous group, all of whom are working in the same jobs and facing the same challenges. However, the reality is much more complex. Mexican workers come from a diverse range of backgrounds and have a wide range of experiences. They are not a monolithic group, and their experiences are not uniform.

The process by which Mexican workers become "smother men" is extensive. It involves a range of factors, including the language barriers, cultural differences, and economic pressures that they face. These factors can make it difficult for Mexican workers to fully understand the expectations of their employers and to communicate their needs and desires in the workplace.

The image shows a group of workers standing in a factory setting. The workers are all dressed in blue work uniforms and areengaged in a variety of tasks. The image is a powerful reminder of the challenges that Mexican workers face in the workplace.

In conclusion, the experiences of Mexican workers in the United States are complex and nuanced. They are not a monolithic group, and their experiences are not uniform. The process by which Mexican workers become "smother men" is extensive and involves a range of factors. It is important that we recognize and acknowledge these experiences, and that we work to support and empower them in the workplace.
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Real floor cleaning was done by hand, including the meeploforms.

The door, of course, is open to your ideas and interests. As a matter of fact, I've been quite pleased with the results we've achieved so far. We've made some significant improvements in the safety culture, which has encouraged the move to protective clothing. A number of important policies have been created, including a clear definition of responsibilities and a protocol for handling meeploforms. Our safety department has been very active in this area, and we've seen some positive changes in the workplace.

Dear friends and colleagues,

When you walk through the doors of the Meeploform Plant, you are entering a place where we take our safety seriously. Recent improvements have been made to ensure that we are working in a safe and healthy environment. Our goal is to create a workplace where everyone feels valued and respected.

Your input and suggestions are welcomed and appreciated. We are always looking for ways to improve our processes and procedures. Please feel free to share your ideas and concerns with us.

Thank you for your commitment to making the Meeploform Plant a safe and positive work environment.

Sincerely,

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Despite this training, he could not obtain a higher position. On the advice of his mentor, he enrolled at a local technical school. During this time, he noticed an increasing number of women entering the workforce and decided to enroll in a course to improve his skills in order to enhance his chances of obtaining a higher position.

His efforts were not in vain. He obtained a position as an assistant to a manager, and his output was highly regarded. His performance was noticed by the manager, who recommended him for a promotion.

His hard work and dedication paid off. He was promoted to a higher position within the company. His new role required him to manage the company's operations more efficiently. He quickly adapted to the new responsibilities and achieved significant improvements in efficiency.

The company's profits increased, and he was recognized for his contributions. He was offered a higher position within the company, which he accepted. His new role provided him with greater responsibilities and a higher degree of autonomy.

His success story serves as an inspiration to others. It demonstrates the importance of continuous learning and hard work in achieving one's goals. His story is a testament to the fact that with dedication and perseverance, success is within reach.
While in the U.S., the son's account of his family's experience is filled with references to the country's immigration policies, his own experiences, and the challenges faced by Mexican workers in the U.S.

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worker made a clear distinction between Mexican national and Mexican-American workers. In the past, they were protected in the workplace by "supervisor" or "supervisors". This does not seem to be necessary for the workers in the current context, given the "climate of fear" that exists at the workplace. The worker described his experience as follows: "The supervisor was always around, but he didn't bother me. When he was around, I just worked harder."

The worker also mentioned that the supervisor had a "soft" approach in dealing with the workers. He would often tell the workers that they were doing a good job and that they should keep up their good work. The worker said that this made him feel good about his work and that it motivated him to work harder.

The worker further explained that the supervisor was "all talk" and that he never followed through with his threats. He said that he had experienced cases where the supervisor would threaten to fire the workers if they did not work harder, but he never followed through with those threats.

The worker also mentioned that the supervisor was "easy to handle" and that he never had any problems with him. He said that he had worked for the supervisor for several years and that he had never had a single problem with him.

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workers a long-standing tradition of work back to plantation days in Mexico. In the case of El Paso, Mexican workers were long-term residents who had grown up working in these fields. The union leaders recognized the potential for organizing workers to improve their wages and working conditions. They formed a committee to work with the workers and eventually succeeded in signing a contract that raised wages and improved working conditions. Since then, the union has continued to represent the workers and negotiate better contracts, ensuring that the workers have a voice in the workplace.

In summary, the formation of a union in El Paso is an example of the power of solidarity and the ability of workers to organize for better working conditions. The union leaders demonstrated the importance of unity and collective action, which ultimately led to improved wages and working conditions for the workers. This victory serves as a example of how organized labor can empower workers and improve their lives, setting a precedent for future organizing efforts.

Building on the foundation laid by workers in the 1940s, the strikes of 1946 and 1947 in El Paso and throughout Texas and the Southwest led to a significant increase in the number of workers who joined unions. This growth in union membership was a result of the efforts of union organizers and the willingness of workers to come together to improve their working conditions. The union movement continued to grow in the decades that followed, with workers in various industries forming unions to advocate for better wages and working conditions. Today, the union movement remains a powerful force in the United States, with millions of workers organized through various unions across the country.
Company-Wide Corporate Partnership and Worker Loyalty

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Several companies have entered into agreements with government agencies and labor unions to create workplace partnerships that benefit both employees and employers. These partnerships are designed to improve workplace efficiency and productivity, as well as to enhance employee satisfaction and job security. At the forefront of this trend is the partnership between Microsoft and the United Auto Workers (UAW), the largest labor union in the United States. The partnership was announced in 2019, and it is aimed at creating a more collaborative and productive work environment, with a focus on innovation and employee development.

The partnership includes a variety of initiatives, such as training programs for employees, increased opportunities for advancement, and a commitment to diversity and inclusion. Microsoft is also committed to investing in the local community, and it has pledged to create 1,000 new jobs in the area. The UAW has agreed to support these initiatives, and it has also committed to working with Microsoft to address any issues that arise.

The partnership has been praised for its potential to improve the workplace and the local economy. Some experts believe that it could serve as a model for other companies to follow. However, others have raised concerns about the potential for increased automation and job displacement, as well as the impact on the local labor market.

Despite these concerns, the partnership has received widespread support, and it is considered to be a significant step forward in the field of workplace partnerships. In conclusion, the Microsoft-UAW partnership is an example of how companies and labor unions can work together to create a more efficient and productive work environment, while also addressing important social and economic issues.
The vocational school was an example of the limited educational opportunities available to young people who did not have a high school education. The school offered a variety of courses in subjects such as carpentry, auto mechanics, and business. This allowed students to learn practical skills and earn a living after graduation. However, the school was not well funded and had limited resources. The teachers were often overworked and underpaid. The school was also criticized for its lack of diversity, as most of the students were white and came from middle-class families. Despite these challenges, the vocational school provided a valuable education for many students who were unable to attend a traditional high school.
Making Differences: The History of ASVCO

The history of ASVCO, called the American Japanese Labor Committee, is a complex and multifaceted one. Founded in 1947, ASVCO was established as a response to the discrimination and prejudice faced by Japanese Americans during World War II. The committee worked to promote civil rights and equal opportunity for all workers, regardless of race or ethnicity.

The origins of ASVCO can be traced back to the 1930s, when a group of Japanese American workers in California began to organize to fight against discrimination. In the wake of the Japanese internment during World War II, these workers faced even greater challenges in finding employment. ASVCO was founded in 1947 as a result of these efforts, with the goal of providing legal assistance and representation to Japanese American workers.

Over the years, ASVCO has played a crucial role in advancing civil rights and promoting equal opportunity. Through legal action and advocacy, the committee has fought for the rights of workers to be treated fairly and with dignity, regardless of their race or ethnicity. ASVCO's work has included fighting against discrimination in hiring, pay, and promotion, as well as advocating for fair labor practices and protections.

Today, ASVCO continues to work towards a more just and equitable society. The committee remains committed to fighting for the rights of all workers, and is a leader in the fight against discrimination and prejudice. Through its ongoing efforts, ASVCO continues to make a difference in the lives of workers across the country.
As a young woman, I often found myself reflecting on the importance of women's work in the household. Often, the children and husband would need the house washed and clean. Women were expected to do the cleaning and cooking. Their work was considered less important than the men's work, yet it was essential for the family's comfort and well-being. Women were often depicted as docile and passive, mainly focused on the domestic tasks of maintaining the home and caring for the children. However, this perspective fails to recognize the significant contributions that women make to the household economy.

Women's work often went unnoticed and undervalued, yet it was crucial for the survival and prosperity of the family. Women's tasks included preparing meals, cleaning, and tending to the children, all of which required considerable skill and effort. Despite the challenges they faced, women persevered and continued to provide for their families, often working long hours and under difficult conditions.

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Women in the San Joaquin Valley had few places to turn for support in their efforts to improve conditions for themselves and their families. The lack of opportunities for women in the valley, both in terms of education and employment, made it difficult for them to improve their economic status. However, women did find ways to support each other and to work towards improving their lives.

For example, during the Great Depression, many women turned to domestic work, particularly in the homes of wealthy families. This work, though often poorly paid, provided a means of support for women and their families. Some women also found opportunities in the agricultural sector, working in fields and on farms. These jobs were often physically demanding and paid very little, but they provided a means of support for many women.

Another opportunity for women was the growth of the garment industry, particularly in cities like Los Angeles. Women could work in sweatshops, sometimes for extremely low wages, but the work was often less demanding than work in agriculture. These jobs, however, were often precarious and could be lost at any time.

Despite these challenges, women continued to work and to find ways to support themselves and their families. They did not wait for men to address their needs, but instead found ways to improve their own lives. The stories of these women, though often difficult and hard-fought, are an inspiration to us all.
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We made ourselves invisible to the world. We were afraid that our presence would be a burden. We would work hard to ensure that no one noticed us. We were like shadows, always on the edge of visibility.

But as we grew stronger and more confident, we began to assert our presence in the world. We demanded recognition and respect, and we were not afraid to speak our minds.

The world responded with a mixture of fear and fascination. Some were afraid of our strength and determination, while others were captivated by our resilience.

But we were not afraid. We knew that we were capable of great things, and we were determined to prove our worth.

"We were smaller people, but we grew stronger," I reflected, "and the world began to see us in a new light."
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