

FROM POLLAN TO THE PRESIDENT

I've been arguing for a while that Michigan—the state with the second greatest agricultural diversity after California—ought to use innovations in sustainable agriculture as part of its plan to drive economic recovery. Agriculture is going to have to be more sustainably produced in the future, and MI is uniquely suited to lead in developing the policies and technology to accomplish this goal.

But then, we should be talking about how to

MCCAIN'S HOUSING SURGE

McCain's most consistent policy stand this election is his support for a surge. Last night, he decided to add one more policy stand: a surge for housing.

ARE THERE ANY ADULTS LEFT IN THE REPUBLICAN PARTY?

It's time to place blame for the failure of the bailout bill yesterday with the Republicans who were negotiating in bad faith.

BARNEY PROMISES TO BE REALLY NICE TO THE POOR LITTLE REPUBLICANS

Me, I say we start asking John Boehner to name names—to list the 12 Republicans who put their poor little feelings ahead of the economy.

THE BUSH ECONOMY

January 19, 2001: 10,587.59

September 29, 2008: 10,453.54

TWEETY BLAMES MCCAIN

And why not? After all, McCain said he was responsible this morning.

One thing that works in our favor for the CW (in assigning the blame for this to the Republicans) is that most TV pundits are so solidly members of the village, they can't imagine sacrificing Wall Street to the fates of the free market.

MCCAIN SAYS HE'S

RESPONSIBLE

From ThinkProgress:

"[T]his bill would not have been agreed to had it not been for John McCain. ... But, you know, this is a bipartisan accomplishment, a bipartisan success. And if people want to get something done in Washington, they just watch John McCain." – Former Massachusetts governor Mitt Romney, 9/29/08

"Earlier in the week, when Senator McCain

BAILOUT FAILS: WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

The bailout bill in the House just failed, 206-227. Last I counted, the Republicans had fallen short of even delivering the 70 yes votes they promised.

The stockmarket is bouncing up and down like a basketball—down 700, then down 400, and now down 600, now 450.

Which is as good an indication as anything else that no one knows what happens now.

MCCAIN OUT-HOOVERS HOOVER

Herbert Hoover, as President fucked up a response to a financial crisis. McCain's done him one better: fucked up a response to a financial crisis even before he became President.

WHY THE BANKRUPTCY CHANGE IS IMPORTANT

Why are Democrats pushing to include the bankruptcy revisions in the bailout bill? Let's see what happens to a troubled mortgage in a Chapter 13.