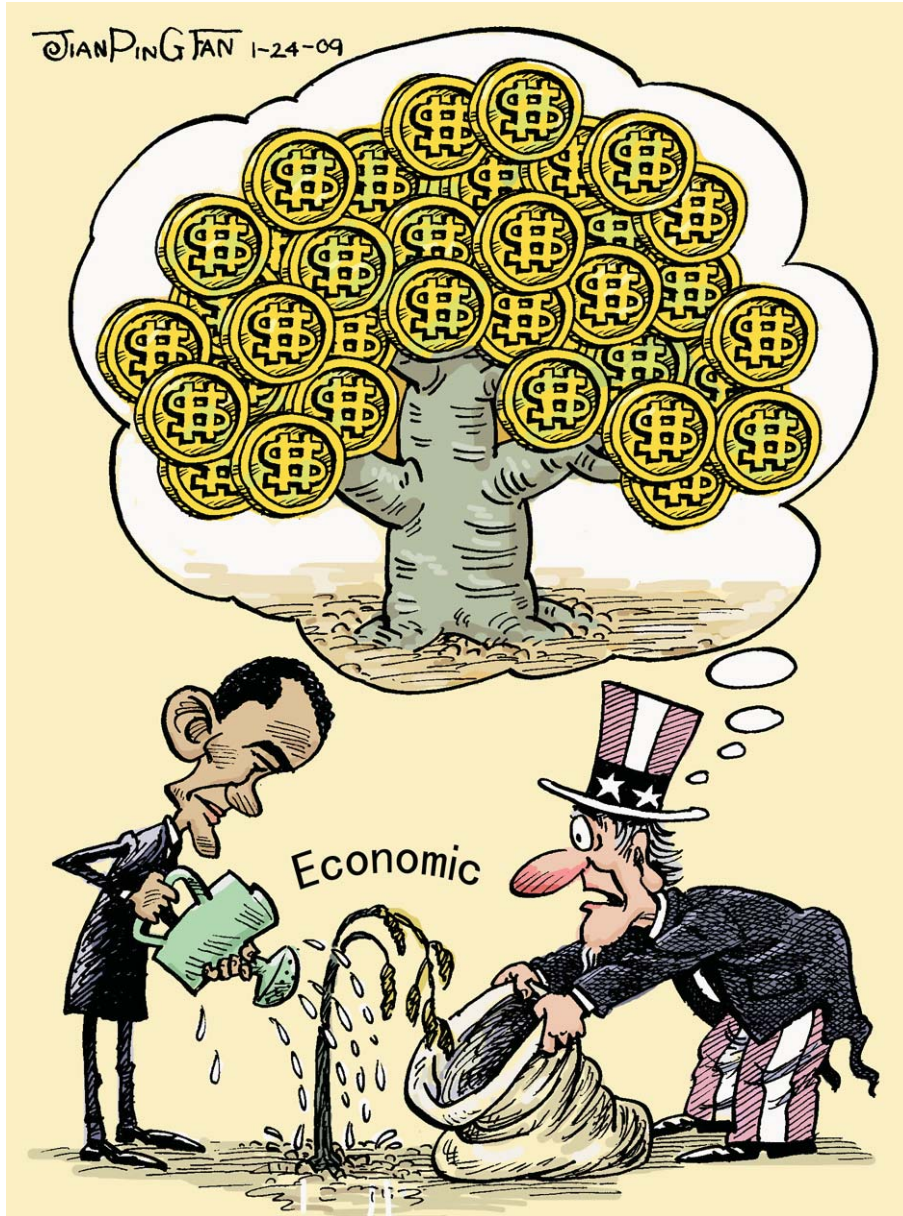


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## Policies and Money in Washington: The PSO President's Column

Usually in Washington the policies are chasing money; these days, at least briefly, it has almost seemed that money has been chasing policy. Trillion dollar appropriations are not humdrum everyday routine, and everyone both on K Street and The Hill is trying to figure out just what this massive shaking of the money tree is going to do for programs that had languished for many years.

There was considerable speculation that there were so many issues and so much debate over the course of policy reform that matters would proceed at a step by step pace. Well, if what has been happening is characterized as step by step it also resembles those races up the stairs of the Empire State Building where the exhausted athletes compete to reach the top in minimum time. The capital has not been a place for tortoises during the first part of 2009.

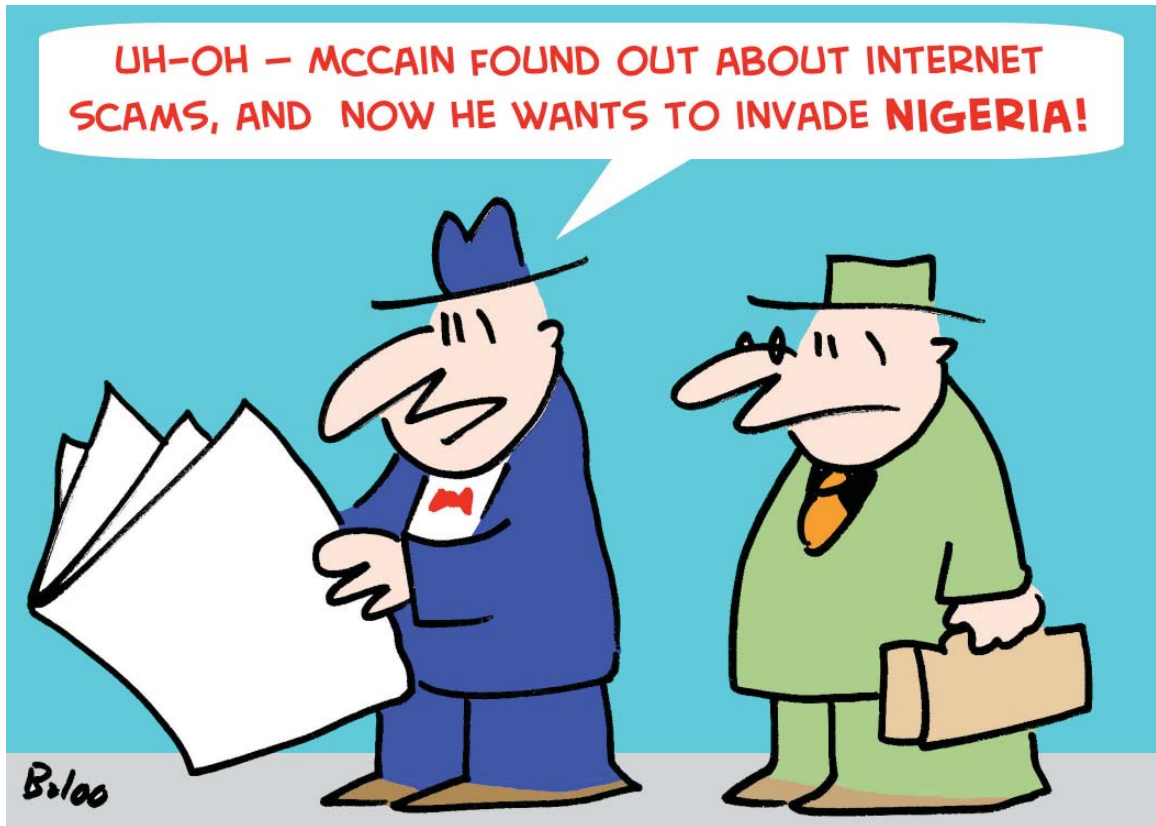
We note this tempo in the sharp increase in single article and single issue downloads of material from PSO publications. Rather than this interest pointing to one subject, it seems to be a heightened interest in quality policy scholarship about just about every topic under the sun. We also noticed this at the Dupont Summit, the PSO conference on science and technology policy at the Carnegie Institution for Science last December — for example, it was standing room only for the sessions on stem cell policy. There is definitely in the new administration a sharply increased interest in scholarly policy work in comparison to the last eight years: noticeable and refreshing. We of course do not expect agreement with the opinions of the writers and editors of the PSO journals, but we do think that the material represents necessary reading on the major issues.

Nor is the increased interest confined to the United States. That suits us, as PSO has never been an exclusively American society, and currently the editorial offices of four of our journals are located outside of the United States: one office at Oxford, two in Mexico City, and one in Beijing. The new PSO journal *Asian Politics & Policy* reflects this urbanity — a majority of its peer reviewers and its editorial board are connected with Asian institutions.

Public policy is global. China, for example, is rapidly becoming a major source of academic papers and research. Less known is the recent flowering of the work of its editorial cartoonists. One of these is Jian Ping Fan, who in Guangzhou (Canton) is acquiring the reputation of being a worthy and witty successor of Herblock. Jian Piong seems to have caught the mood of these times very well in a drawing of President Obama and Uncle Sam. Given the importance of Chinese-American relations perhaps he has also suggested just how high expectations and concerns are at this moment. We will be glad to share Jian Ping's work with you from time to time.

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## Washington Goes Online: The PSO Webmaster's Column

One consequence of the seismic changes taking place in Washington has been the explosive growth of electronic communication of every sort. President Obama's desire to keep his Blackberry despite Secret Service concerns has used up hundreds of inches on front pages. Senator McCain's daughter has appeared on talk shows detailing her efforts to get the Republican Party to blog. Historians of the 2008 presidential campaign will have a lot to say about the role that the Internet played.

So it seems highly likely that we are not at the end of a computing revolution but just at the start of one of monumental social and political consequences. In that light, we have taken stock of the Policy Studies Organization's websites and discovered that with ten journals along with thirteen affiliated associations and three book series, we have a multitude of both sites and links that could benefit from mention and explanation. Our interest in how the web impacts scholarly publishing is evidenced by the fact that Oxford University's Internet Institute has launched in cooperation with PSO the new journal Policy and Internet see <http://www.oii.ox.ac.uk> and [http://www.bepress.com/psu\\_internet](http://www.bepress.com/psu_internet) – which is published for us by Berkeley Electronic Press. We intend to explore the growing web presence of PSO in these Proceedings published in our various periodicals.

We also want to respond to your comments and questions, so if you feel there is something that could be shared, don't hesitate to write me at my address below. In the meantime, let me pass along a PSO related site that is currently free access and whose value and usefulness you may not know – our journal Digest of Middle East Studies, familiarly known as DOMES, can be found at <http://www.uwm.edu/~aman/DOMES>. Currently it is published by Global Communications and in 2010 it will be part of the collection with Wiley Blackwell. It is a journal with a very proud past and was acquired by PSO just last year. The editorial offices remain at the University of Wisconsin under the able leadership of Professor Mohammad Amann, formerly Dean of the Library School at Wisconsin.

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