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Notes by:

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"more sociological than most accounts"

"don't stop there... why bad dealings"

animal spirits - "social epidemic... change in ways of thinking"

"A culture brought on other things"

Bor - Δ with whom?

: a boom psychology - trust high

Mint - "Why don't learn"

"This time is different"

"World Δ in confusing ways"

"amazing thing people think we could have a HP decline. we don't have to build into models"

Bor - 1-HP - how bubble starts

"classic bubble ... proceeded in US by other bubbles"

"saw P & it's a no-brainer, buy 3 houses & borrow as much as I can"

"eff market theory seemed to go along"

Bor - Is any HP on fundamentals?

I. Land

"I construct material / sea like assets.."

III. Construction "no one worries about

and P getting out of hand  
Costs & losses are more similar"

"If you think of having a structure then  
not not a good investment"

- People always thought of the land  
"Manhattan Model - buying home buying land  
went everywhere... even say Vegas"

For - Homeowners - "Not professionals"

"One I don't understand, no professional interest  
in trading these things"

For - Lenders - motivations -

"convinced of New World Order"  
"sense of mission in dealing w/ low-income  
borrowers"  
"financial securitization"

For - HP down by secur?

can have bubble w/o bank & smaller but  
still a bubble"

"Bubble thinking at

FDIC & OCC

"found them people also thought about  
thought no authority to crack down"

"Strange thing was that info actually  
out was not getting out"  
(See home price)  
"No Data"

87 crash - survey - no one else did it

Ber - Feb period in AP

→ GI bill, gov behind

? "not much bubble thinking"

? - What did process A-thinking?

Ber - C-S Index (most quoted's i Bias!)

often - slow to recognize boom

- bias in aftermath, a lot of foreclosures sales (we did not exclude)

"Indicators that we wanted traded"

Ber → concerns at 05 peak over a selected sample

→ Only 1 price, 2005 → suppose eliminated  
2nd Home purchase as anomalous

"Reacting viscosity to the data"

"Not a pristine capitalist system... yet"

"eliminate the tremendous momentum"

Ber - ABX index? Pop bubble?

data + timing... possible

The Street

Ber - mentality on WS?

NN - trying to secure

"closed market" OTC

"Markets on real estate not open to future markets"

Re: to legislation

→ exchange markets big but not as big  
spreads

= "social epidemics" = "Fashion fad"

"sympathetic to Dodd-Frank for putting  
on exchange"

Bor: are they irrational or rational?

"career moment" or fixed if do something  
unusual if it's wrong"

Square lake - Hold back core salaries

Bor - SL - incentives bad at what level?

- want executive to be penalized

- more than compensation, regulate  
capital required

Not bringing more under capital control

(so no wide scale incorporation)

"haven't confronted shadow banks"

level still

= "anger ~~tank~~ still rising"

= I worry about other movements\* that may develop

\* Not tea party + lot seems harness + patriotic

= Shouldn't get censored away

→ like to see one of more pedestrian causes of  
crisis = desire to blam on politically motivated

SPV to defraud - to  
disguise a balance sheet

"Am no fool"

"Rooms & beds like this are not the  
end of the world"

See French  
assisted

"Drama"

"Ultimately leads to great things...  
sys system repeat all soon - but"

"Not overreact to this. Need to see this  
system reinvigorated."

"see Dodd-Frank on exchanges"

"TARP was a good thing"

"People really were paniced by Lehman"  
Mix = More so than Bear?  
L. "Was a big event"

Surprised by quickness of recovery

Bos - How close to collapse

→ take it as a real warning?

"Almost Bos style collapse now."

Bor → What else should we add -  
look at fraud & auto pletion  
Sociologist perspective

② last to '97 → DODM

→ Worst time politically feasible to  
"we can file w/ a subprime ident plus  
charges highlight to low income at higher  
rates ↓ don't want effects"