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the true significance of his comments is that they serve to shatter the basis of the Reagan 1980 electoral mandate.

Most political observers agree that the reason Ronald Reagan defeated Jimmy Carter was because Reagan suggested that he would offer the country a "new beginning", a significantly new departure and approach to government. American voters, confronted with a decade of high inflation and high unemployment, voted for a new approach and not for a return to the old Republican policies. What David Stockman tells us, in effect, is that the American public was deceived.

Several questions are suggested as a result of the Stockman scandal. Why was it that so few political and economic analysts saw through the

charts and figures with which the Reagan Administration deluged and dazzled Congress? How could our legislators allow themselves to be stamped in to voting on tax and budget bills that were so carelessly prepared? Why were so many "experts" taken in by the Reagan-Stockman sales pitch?

Regrettably, the answer to these questions is that at the root of recent legislative policy-making we find for the most part a bankruptcy of ideas and an appalling lack of competence. Indeed, in the last year only the representatives of the labor movement, a few courageous liberal legislators, and the civil rights community have succeeded in seeing through the rhetoric and have challenged the Administration's economic prescriptions.

The few who opposed the Reagan program are today being vindicated

by the effects of the "supply-side" approach. We are now in the midst of what may turn out to be the most severe recession since the 1930s. Unemployment has reached 8 percent and is heading toward 9 percent and worse. Among blacks unemployment stands at over 15 per cent. The construction industry has been paralyzed by high interest rates to the point where housing starts are at a 15-year low. The auto industry also is in the midst of a severe slump.

The Stockman revelations provide all Americans with an opportunity to reexamine the logic of the Reagan program. Can we really afford an economic approach which has plunged us into a deep recession and which amounts to nothing more than a massive transfer of goods and services from working people to the wealthy?

## SEPIA

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her success to her parents, Bobby and Shirley McDaniel, who have been very supportive, and her other family members and friends for understanding. She claims Pearl Dollar as that special person and her belief in God for it all.

Be sure to see Bobbi McDaniel in the Sepia Fashion Fair "The Snob Look 81" when it comes this way Saturday, November 28 at 8:30 p.m. in the Emerald Room of the Aladdin Hotel.

The cat is at last out of the bag. There is no new conservative formula for resolving our country's considerable economic problems. What we have been fed by Ronald Reagan and David Stockman is the same old stuff. It hasn't worked in the past and it won't work now.

## WAITING CHILDREN

Lawrence is an engaging and social black boy who has been in foster care since his birth. At four years of age, Lawrence has delightful sense of humor and a winning smile. Although not especially handsome, Lawrence will captivate you with his charm and personality.

Lawrence is a mildly retarded child. Currently he is attending an all-day specialized school program in which he is making steady progress. His speech has recently become spontaneous, but he still makes many of his needs known by gestures. In addition, he has a slight eye problem which is corrected by glasses. Although Lawrence will always be developmentally delayed, he is quite eager to learn and easily taught. He responds to positive

attention and dislikes scoldings. Lawrence follows directions well and tries hard to please.

Lawrence has learned to dress and undress himself and he eats without assistance in



spite of his poor jaw control which affects his eating patterns. He is receiving eating and chewing therapy to increase his control. Lawrence is not yet toilet trained, but he is currently being taught independent toilet skills with anticipated success.

Lawrence is a very happy and curious child. He gets along well with both adults and the children in his special school program. He loves music and especially likes to sing and dance. Lawrence needs adoptive parents who can give him the attention he needs and the encouragement to continue to progress.

Lawrence is responsive to loving attention and he should blossom in the warmth and security of a permanent adoptive home. Lawrence has been waiting all his life for a "forever" family. How much longer will he be kept waiting?

## HOW YOU CAN ADOPT

If you'd like more information on how to adopt a special child or how you can help financially support the AASK program, please call 876-7420 or write AASK Adoption Agency, 3305 W. Spring Mountain Road, Suite 92, Las Vegas, 89102.

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