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Raymond Dearie, U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of New York, said Tuesday

Southland, a Dallas-based corporation, operates 7,4007-Eleven convenience stores in 42 states, and 97 Gristedes supermarkets and the Charles and Co. food stores in metropolitan New York.

Eugene DeFalco, 44, of Dallas pleaded guilty Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Brooklyn to conspiracy to bribe an official in mat-

ters pending before the New York State Tax Commission. Two other counts of bribery and conspiracy were dropped Harmon

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The Southland vice-president, who will be sentenced Nov. 4, faces a maximum sentence of five years in jail and a \$10,000 fine.

He entered his guilty plea one day after testifying before a grand jury investigating the role of other company executives, including Chairman of the Board John Thompson, Senior Vice President Richmond Dole and Chief Financial Officer Clark Matthews, said Asst. U.S. Attorney James

Jury selection in the trial against Southland and DeFalco was scheduled to begin Wednesday, but there now is speculation that the case against the company will be combined with that of former city Councilman Eugene Mastropieri, a lawyer who allegedly was to arrange the bribe

# Ramsey moves to Texas New official praised

United Press International WHEELING, W.Va. Outgoing Regents Chancellor Robert Ramsey was praised by the presidents of several state colleges and universities, but panned by members of the West Virginia Legislature with whom he was sometimes at odds.

Ramsey's resignation and appointment as deputy com-missioner for academic and health affairs in the Texas public

system college and university was announced Tuesday by Regents President John Saunders at the end of the board's regular meeting.

He is scheduled to assume his new position in Austin, on Nov. 15.

He also alluded to the frustrations of trying to run West Virginia's higher education system during a time in which the state Legislature was granting

only slight increases in funding. He noted that Texas is a bigger, richer state that boasts 108 colleges and universities in its system

State college and university officials praised Ramsey upon hearing of his resignation.

"Chancellor Ramsey and I have worked closely together in my 22 months as president of West Virginia University," said WVU President Gordon Gee.

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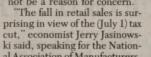
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Both the overall decline and the drop in auto sales were the largest since June 1982.

Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige, in a statement prepared by his economic advisers, called the sales sag a "hesitation" and said it should "not be a reason for concern." "The fall in retail sales is surprising in view of the (July 1) tax



al Association of Manufacturers. "It appears that consumers retrenched in August following a period of exceptionally high spending.

Economist Michael Evans of Evans Economics, who said he thought he was being pessimistic in forecasting a 1 percent drop, said the bigger August de-cline "clearly indicates we're about to go into a slowdown

The figure is especially signi-ficant since virtually the sole support of the recovery so far has come from increases in consumer spending.

Retail sales were \$97.6 billion in August after seasonal adjustment, the department said. It was the second consecutive month of disappointing performance at the nation's cash registers. July's sales were down a revised 0.2 percent.

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SAN JUAN — Protestants, Ro-man Catholics and Jews from the Lower Rio Grande Valley will participate in a dawn to midnight peace vigil today at the Shrine of

San Juan as part of a nationwide call for an end of hostilities in Central America

Local organizer Mary McLeod said the vigil is in concert with other peace meetings in more than 100 cities across the United States and in Brazil, West Germany, Sweden, France, Spain and Italy

McLeod said Wednesday parti-cipants will wear blue armbands representing peace. "For many Christians, there

are problems of conscience stirred by policies that seem to rely too soon on violence and intimida-tion," said Lon Speer, pastor of Mission First United Methodist Church and one of the supporters

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of the vigil "Very often, we are too quick to regard people as enemies, even though our understanding of them be very slight," he said. "Surely no need for peacemaking can be more critical to us today

than that which is represented in our next door neighbors," added David Freeman, minister of the McAllen First Presbyterian Church.

McLeod said the Salvadoran refugee problem in the United States also would be addressed

during the gathering. The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service and the State Department have refused to grant political asylum to Salvadorans, who McLeod said are as deserving of mercy and grace as anyone else.

She cited an open letter signed by more than 400 religious leaders expressing "the urgent need to discover paths of peace.

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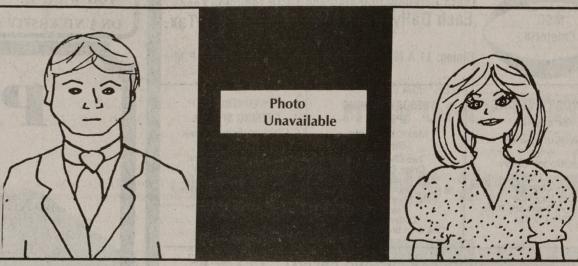
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