## Bloomfield S&L buys 12 branches Bloomfield Savings & Loan Association (OTC) has signed a definitive squarement to buy 12 Standard Federal Savings & Loan Association branch of fices. When the purchase is completed, Bloomfield will have 25 branches and more than \$500 million in assets, making it Michigan's sixth-largest savings and lean. All 12 new branches are in the four-county area of Wayan, Oakland, Macro and Completed a public office of the saving area of Wayan, Oakland, Macro and Bloomfield's expansion program (Miccontines, Kenneth J. Robinson, Bloomfield Bloomfield, he said, is striving for a Bloomfield, Detroit, 1821 Greenfield, Detroit.

BLOOMFIELD reported net earnings of \$1,124,000 for the first nine months of its 1983 operating year end-

mgs of \$1,123,000 for the first fine months of its 1983 operating year end-ed Sept. 30. Standard Federal, with 92 branches and approximately \$4.8 billion in assets, is Michigan's second-largest savings and lean association. Standard reports that its regulatory net worth has increased by more than \$56 million in the first 11 months of 1983 and will increase an additional \$72 million as a result of the Bloom-

## Money order business surrenders its license

Eugene Kuthy, commissioner of the Michigan Financial Institutions Bu-reau, has directed Metro Express Money Order Corp. of Southfield im-mediately to stop selling money or-ders through any of its outlets or counts.

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Kuthy issued the order in response Kutny issued in order in response to documented reports that money or-ders presented to the Michigan state treasurer and utility companies were returned because of a lack of suffi-cient funds in the bank to pay the

However, Kuthy said that he had

been told by Metro Express officials that any outstanding money order would be honored, either by the agent from which it was purchased, at 4031 Oakman Blvd. or at 16215 Livernois

in Detroit.

THE COMPANY received a license from the Financial Institutions Bureau last Aug. 2 under the Michigan Sale of Checka Act.

Kuthy said Metro Express voluntarily has surrendered its license because it no longer wishes to continue in the business of selling money orders.

## SEMTA changes holiday bus hours

SEMTA buses will operate under modified schedules during the Christ-mas and New Year holidays in antici-pation of shorter workdays for many passengers, according to General Man-ager Gary Krause. On two Fridays, Dec. 23 and 30, SEMTA will move selected afternoon outbound trips to noon hours. In Oakland County, Route 851 will be served by an early outbound trip at 12:30 p.m. The 4:37 p.m. trip will not operate.

12:30 p.m. The 4:57 p.m. trip will not operate.
Service between downtown Detroit and Birmingham is available every 20 minutes on Woodward routes 440, 450 and 450. Route 410 has a regularly scheduled outbound trip at 12:35 p.m.
ON DEC. 24, Christmas Eve, regular Saturday service will be offered. Sunday service will be available on Christmas Day and on Monday, Dec. 26.

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Bases will operate on Saturday schedules on New Year's Eve and on Sunday schedules on New Year's Day. On Mon. Jan.2, buses will operate on Sunday schedules.

Connector small buses will not operate on the Golowing weekdays during the 1983 holiday season. Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Dec. 26, New Year's Eve, New Year's Day and Jan. 2.

Small buses will operate on Dec. 23 and Dec. 30.

Holiday service changes for specific routes will be posted on SEMTA buses. For additional information about holiday bus service or for fare and route information, call SEMTA'S Customer Information Center at 982-5515.

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Christian Children's Fund, Inc. 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. The center will be closed Dec. 24-26 and Jan. 1-2.

SEMTA'S special weekend fare for large bus service is in effect this holi-day season and will continue during 1984. Weekend trips cost 75 cents each way for full-fare passengers and 50

cents each way for seniors, handi-capped persons and youths ages 6-18. Passengers can take advantagee of the bargain fare for travel to and from area mails, shopping centers and when visiting such attractions as Greenfield Village, the Cultural Center area, Pon-tiac Silverdome, Greektown and East-ern Market on weekends.

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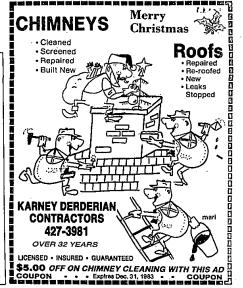
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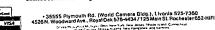
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