



Special services were held at Bloomfield, N. B., Nov. 9-18, with Rev. H. O. McGeorge serving as evangelist. Pastor of the Church is Rev. B. L. Brown.

Quarterly Meeting on the St. Croix District was held at Old Town, Maine, August 30-Sept. 2. Those preaching included Revs. Blinn, Rice, MacKenzie, DeLong, and Steeves. Brother W. C. Burbury, pastor at Old Town, reports some definite victories at the altar and a great spiritual boost for the Church.

District Quarterlies are planned for Moncton, Nov. 28-Dec. 2; and for Halifax, December 6-9.

A meeting of the Alliance Executive was held at Sussex, N. B. on November 9. Matters of general Alliance interest were considered. Members of the Executive: Revs. H. R. Ingersoll, N. E. Trafton, L. K. Mullen, B. C. Cochrane, F. A. Dunlop, J. A. Owens, R. H. Nicholson

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### WEDDINGS

**Bishop-Peterson:** At the Reformed Baptist Church, Barker's Point, N. B., on September 1, Francis Gail Peterson and Gerald Allan Bishop were united in marriage by Rev. F. A. Watson assisted by Rev. Milton Bagley.

**Winzar-Wilcox:** Anthony Michael Winzar and Carol Ann Wilcox were united in marriage at the Barker's Point Reformed Baptist Church on October 20. The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. M. W. Bagley, pastor of the Church.

### SECRET ORDERS

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fellowship in "brotherhood" in sessions where clouds of tobacco smoke fill the house and where many times liquor flows freely.

It should be stressed that while the alleged basis of such lodge organizations is religious, it is not Christian. The leading lodge in point of prominence and membership states in its constitution that since its members are now "found in all nations even of divers religions, they are now generally charged to adhere to that religion in which all men agree (leaving each brother to his own particular opinion)." It is described as "a worship in which all good men may unite that each may share the faith of all." Such a position falls far short of the truth of Him who said, "No man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (John 14:6).

Utterly damning, from the Christian point of view, is the frequently made claim that if a man honestly believes in a Supreme Being and strives to live by his faith, "he will be received into the all-perfect, glorious and celestial lodge above, for he will, by his life, have made of earth the porch-way entrance to Heaven." The presence of the Bible and an altar can never in a thousand years sanctify such rank humanism and shallow religious philosophy.

Certainly there is no reason to minimize the social and community service which many of these organizations undertake. But service of this kind does not depend upon either the secrecy or the quasi-religious character of the group. There are many service organizations doing similar work whose whole operation is a matter of public record.

If anything, the fifty-four years which have passed since the union at Pilot Point have but verified the wisdom of the founding fathers in mentioning as one of the practices to be avoided by members of the Church of the Nazarene "membership in or fellowship with oath-bound secret orders or fraternities."

### DEATH

Harold Lewin, 42, died at a Portland hospital after several weeks illness.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Helen Lewin, a son Shawn, a daughter Brya all of Presque Isle.

He resided here for the past 24 yrs. Funeral service was conducted at the Grave's funeral home, Presque Isle, by Rev. H. O. McGeorge.

To the sorrowing we extend our sympathy.

### BETHANY FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount now due 42% .....\$5,040.00  
Amount received to date approx. 22% ..... 2,567.50

Amount needed to bring budget up to date .....\$2,472.50

The following is a list of the monies received to October 30, 1962.

	100%
Beals	77
Salem	77
Head of Millstream	70
Blissfield	60
Maple Ridge	52
Glassville	50
Jonesport	50
Killam's Mills	43
Fredericton	40
Lower Brighton	38
Crystal	36
Saint John	34
Barker's Point	33
Victoria Corner	27
North Head	26
Old Town	26
Houlton	25
Perth	25
Moncton	24
Seal Cove	22
Black's Harbour	22
Sandford	20
Millville	20
Presque Isle	19
Port Maitland	17
Woodstock	16
Havelock	15
Gordonsville	11
Hartland	10
Calais	10
Doaktown	7
Fort Fairfield	7

We are unable to meet payments on faculty salaries now due. Any help you can give us at this time will be greatly appreciated.

J. A. Stevens, Treasurer

### An Ever-fresh Experience

by James F. Gregory

Editor, The Free Methodist

Too Many of us are living upon past experience religiously. We hear people say sometimes, "I was brought up a Free Methodist," as though they had never had anything to do with their denominational allegiance. It would seem that they have felt the religious opinions and faith of those who handled them in their early years had been accepted without a personal appropriation.

But religion was meant to be something vital in human experience. The truly spiritual man knows himself to be in daily contact with God, and he knows his religious experience to be a reality. Some of us are inclined to think, because we answered the call of God long ago, we have answered once and for all. It would surprise us to be told that we are far away from God. We are living upon a past experience only.

This is so often true of those who approach middle life. They have become so engrossed in material pursuits their interest in God's will has waned. There is a destruction that wasteth at noonday. They make a variety of excuses. But they have ignored the sadder truth that they have not gathered the manna of religion fresh daily. They have lived so far from God that He is not so real to them as once He was. They have not gathered a new experience of Him to meet the hunger of the present.

The most heavenly food has to be eaten daily. True religion must be an ever-growing experience. God will reveal Himself repeatedly to those who constantly seek a revelation of Him. Like Enoch of old, we may walk with God.

The King's Highway