SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON 9

REPENTANCE AND FAITH — Isaiah 1:10-20; Eze. 18:20-23; Luke 3:1-14; 13:11-24; Acts 2:37-39; Rom. 6:1-11.

PRINTED TEXT, Luke 15:11-24.

GOLDEN TEXT—Repent ye, and believe in the gospel.—Mark 1:15.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time—The first chapter of Isaiah was probably written about 760 B.C.; that portion of Ezekiel which we are studying was written about 594 B.C.; the preaching of John the Baptist occurred, primarily, probably in the summer of A.D. 26; the messages of our Lord here given were uttered in December, A.D. 29, and January, A.D. 30. The Day of Penticost occurred at the end of May, A.D. 30. The Epistle to the Romans was written about A.D. 60.

Place—The first chapter of Isaiah was written at Jerusalem; the book of Ezekiel was written in Babylon; the preaching of John the Baptist took place in the wilderness country near the Jordan; the messages here recorded of our Lord were spoken in Peaea; the sermon of the Apostle Peter was delivered in Jerusalem; the Epistle to the Romans was written from the City of Corinth.

The Son Goes Away

11. "And he said, a certain man had two sons: 12. and the younger of them said to his father, Father give me the portion of thy substance that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living. 13. And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together and took his journey into a far country; and there he wasted his substance with riotous living. 14. And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that country; and he began to be in want. 15. And he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. 16. And he wold fain have filled his belly with the husks that swine did eat; and no man gave unto him." Our attention is fixed here on one of the two sons of a well-to-do and devoted father. He was the younger. This lad asked that he might have the portion of his father's estate that would come to him later in life, or upon the death of his father. It was given to him. He wanted it that he might have means by which he could go off and live as he pleased. But this was selfish. It may have embarrassed his father to divide the estate up at this time. So he went. He not only wasted his money, but he wasted his character, his strength, his personality, he weakened his will, he lost his friends—he certainly lost his self-respect. Being well-born, brought up in a good home, adequate education, beginning with ample funds for all the needs of life, these things combined, cannot of themselves keep a man from degradation if he is determined to live for selfish indulgence.

A Change Takes Place

17. "But when he came to himself he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish here with hunger! 18. I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight: 19. I am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants. 20. And he arose, and came to his father. But while he was yet afar off, his father saw him and was moved with compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him. 21. And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against Heaven, and in thy sight: I am no more worthy to be called thy son." There came a change. Suddenly the man came to himself. While he was wasting his life in riotous living he was not himself. He had been acting in a way abnormal, unnatural. It is not said how the man came to himself. Undoubtedly, that which had the greatest influence over him to suc a turning point was the memory of home, and the final realization of the abject condition into which he had come. God often allows degradation, memory, shame, want, loss of loved ones, loneliness to bring us to ourselves, where He can at last deal with us. Once proudly the younger son demanded the share of the estate, and went off to please himself. Now, humbly, he returns to the father who alone had loved him, willing to take any place which the father might give to him.

The Son Returns

22. "But the father said to his servants, Bring forth quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet: 23. and bring the fatted calf, and kill it, and let us eat, and make merry: 24. for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost and is found. And they began to be merry."

Of course the father had compassion upon the son. Compassion is born of love, and love never dies. The father could not keep the son home, and the father knew it was useless to go after the son and compel him to come home. That would mean no change in the boy's heart. That would do him no permanent good, for he would simply go away again. But when the son really was ready to come back, the father stood with open arms waiting to receive him; to rejoice in his return, and not only to rejoice but to make an abundant provision for the satisfying of his unsatisfied legitimate appetites. In other words, the father was ever ready still to be a providing father for his boy. God will not go with us along our paths of sinful indulgence but God never loses sight of us, sends after us messengers of mercy to bring us back, and waits as long as life lasts for us to return to Him, that He might be our Father, and that we might be His children. When should a person repent? At once. What should he wait for? Nothing. Any man knows if he is out of the way of God, out of fellowship with God, living in sin, separated from God. The Word of God is written to tell us, and the Son of God came to prove to us that God is not willing that any should perish, going down this road of destruction to weakness, impoverishment, death and judgment, but that all should come to the repentance which leads to life everlasting.

TABLE OF RANKS IN ARMED FORCES

Equivalent Ranks And Seniority In British Navy, Army and Air Force.

NAVY	ARMY	AIR FORCE
Admiral of the Fleet	Field Marshal	Marshal of the Royal Air Force
Admiral	General	Air Chief Marshal
Vice-Admiral	Lieut.-General	Air Marshal
Rear-Admiral	Major-General	Air Vice-Marshal
Commodore (2 classes)	Brigadier	Air Commodore
Captain	Colonel	Group Captain
Commander	Lieut.-Colonel	Wing Commander
Lieut.-Commander	Major	Squadron Leader
Lieutenant	Captain	Flight Lieutenant
Sub-Lieutenant	Lieutenant	Flying Officer
Chief Gunner, Chief Boatswain, Chief Carpenter, Chief Artificer Engineer, Chief Schoolmaster.	2nd Lieutenant	Pilot Officer
Gunner, Royal Marine Gunner, Boatswain, Signal Boatswain, Warrant Telegraphist, Chief Master of Arms, Warrant Shipwright, Artificer Engineer, Warrant Mechanician, Head Schoolmaster, Warrant Armourer, Warrant Electrician, Warrant Victualing Officer, Instructors in Cookery.	Warrant Officer Class 1	Warrant Officer Class 1
No equivalent rank	Warrant Officer Class 2	Sergt.-Major 2nd Class
No equivalent rank	Warrant Officer Class 3 (Platoon Sergt.-Major, etc.)	No equivalent rank
Chief Petty Officer	Staff-Sergeant	Flight Sergeant
Petty Officer	Sergeant	Sergeant
Leading Seaman	Corporal, Bombardier	Corporal
Able Seaman	Lance Corporal Lance-Bombardier	Leading Aircraftsman
Ordinary Seaman	Private, Gunner	Aircraftsman, Class 2.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

THE belief that pan-beating will bring down a swarm of bees is very old, but modern authorities give it no credence. Aristotle mentions it in his writings, and the poet Virgil states it as a fact in the Fourth Georgic. The custom is practiced widely throughout the world today.

NEXT: Where laughing gas is found in the air!

United States Sends Men and Machines

Members of the American Field Service said in New York that the British War Office had called for 400 ambulances and 1,000 drivers for the Middle Eastern front, and that the first contingent of drivers would soon depart "by whatever means of transportation is available."

This the first time the British have asked f men. Before they needed only ambulances.

The last time anyone bothered to figure it out there were 742 persons to the square mile in England.

RADIO REPORTER

DIALING WITH DAVE:

Here is Don Ameche, topflite favorite of radio and screen. Don has been M. C. for the past number of months on the Music Hall, Thursdays 10.00 to 11.00 p.m. D.S.T. on the C.B.C., and last week gave way to the original M. C. of the show, everyone's favorite, Bing Crosby. Yes, Bing's back, singing again those songs you like to hear as only he can sing them!

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The students of Hamilton's Secondary Schools have found a novel way to contribute to the local War Savings Drive. Every Friday night from 8.00 to 8.30 D.S.T., they literally 'take over' the CKOC studios, filling all key positions, and doing all the programming during the half-hour period. The programs will run weekly every Friday night until Dec. 5th, with each of the eight schools contributing a show!

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In the United States, Glen Miller, director of the famous Moonlight Serenaders (Tues., Wed., Thurs., 11.00 p.m., D.S.T., on CBS) wears the crown of modern arranging and conducting genius! In Canada, Bob Farnon, indisputably wears the crown. Catch the suave modern Farnon touch in The Musical Beauty Box show, Thursdays at 9 p.m. D.S.T. CKOC, 1150 on your dial, and the C.B.C. network!

Mart Kenney C.B.C. feature Musical Grab Bag which, for the past few weeks has been heard on Monday nights, will, in the future, be heard Wednesday nights at 9.00 o'clock. It is a show designed for the entertainment of the troops, and the Musical Grab Bag idea personalizes soloists and members of the Kenney band.

Another C.B.C. troop entertainment highlight is Friday at 8.00 p.m. D.S.T., when Woodhouse & Hawkins co-M.C. the program "Manning Depot." By the way, Mart has changed his CKOC Saturday nite broadcast from the Brant from ten to 11.15! He is now heard Friday at 10.00 and Saturday at 11.15. CKOC also carries the Monday night C.B.C. program at nine.

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THIS 'N THAT

Martha Tilton, new addition to Fibber McGee and Molly's show (C.B.C. Tuesday 10.30 D.S.T.) is making a hit with her handling of popular songs.

Drama highlights CKOC's daily schedule at 7.30 p.m. with 'The Crimson Trail', dramatization of the building of the C.P.R.

If you have some local endeavour CKOC can publicize, send it to the Publicity Department. CKOC's daily 4 p.m. Community Service Hour is available for just that type of material.

Catch Richard Crooks in 'The Voice of Firestone', NBC-RED Monday nights 9.30 D.S.T. He's still

Canada At War

"It takes a long time to train men for a modern mechanized army, and time to provide the equipment. It takes more than a uniform to make a soldier these days—that's why we place such emphasis on training, that's why our men are being fully trained in Canada before they leave for overseas, that's why we want skilled men, that's why we're organized to take in unskilled men and train them until they are specialists in the technical branches of the service." — Major-General B. W. Browne Adjutant-General.

Large Allied Force Gathers In East

British and Allied troop concentrations in the Far East probably are the greatest in the history of the Empire, authoritative quarters say.

R.A.F. pilots and ground crews, using United States-built Brewster planes, have been entering Malaya steadily for months, it was said.

OUR RADIO LOG

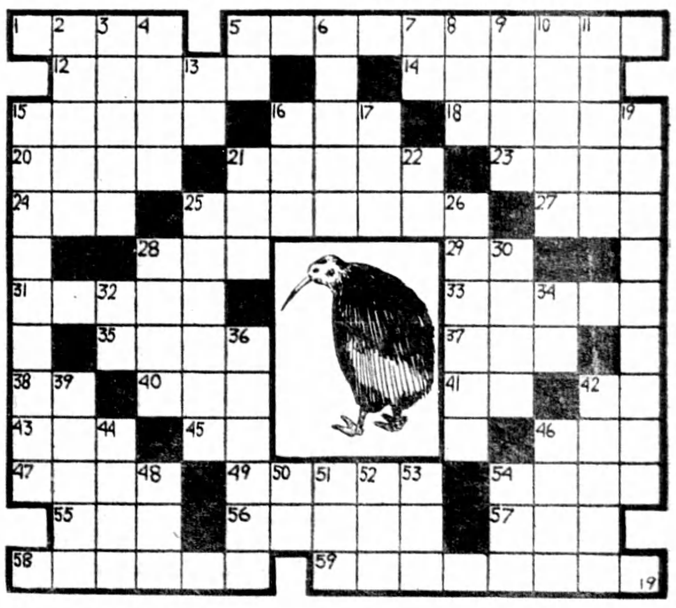
TORONTO STATIONS			CJKL Kirkand L. 560k			SHORT WAVE		
CFRB 860k, CBL 740k			CKCR Waterloo 1490k			GSB	England	9.51m
CKCL 580k, CBY 1010k			CKAC Montreal 730k			GSC	England	9.58m
U.S. NETWORKS			CKCO Ottawa 1310k			GSD	England	11.75m
WEAF N.B.C. Red 660k			CKGB Timmins 1470k			GSE	England	11.86m
WJZ N.B.C. Blue 770k			CKSO Sudbury 790k			GSF	England	15.14m
WABC (C.B.S.) 880k			CKPC Brantford 1380k			GSG	England	17.79m
WOR (M.B.S.) 710k			CKLW Windsor 800k			GSP	England	15.31m
CANADIAN STATIONS			CKNX Wingham 1230k			GSV	England	17.81m
CFOS Owen Sd. 1400k			U.S. STATIONS			EAR	Spain	9.48m
CKOC Hamilton 1150k			WEBR Buffalo 1340k			EAQ	Spain	9.86m
CHML Hamilton 900k			WHAM Rochester 1180k			RAN	Russia	960m
CKTB St. Cath. 1230k			WLW Cincinnati 700k			RNE	Russia	12.00m
CFCF Montreal 600k			WGY Schenectady 810k			RV96	Russia	15.18m
CFCH North Bay 1230k			KDKA Pittsburgh 1020k			WGEA	Schenectady	15.33m
CFCO Chatham 630k			WBBM Chicago 780k					
CFPL London 1570k			WBEN Buffalo 930k			WCAB	Phila.	15.27m
CJCS Stratford 1240k			WGR Buffalo 550k			WRUL	Boston	15.15m
CFRC Kingston 1490k			WKBW Buffalo 1520k			WCBX	N. York	11.83m
CJIC Sault Ste. M. 1490k			WJR Detroit 760k					

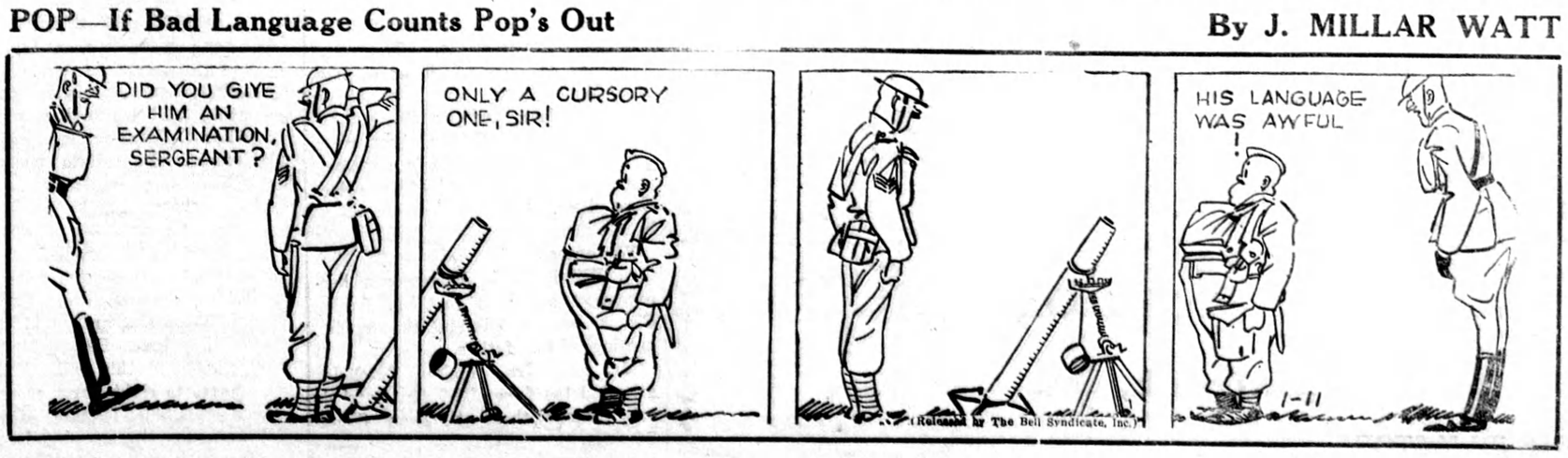
PECULIAR BIRD

HORIZONTAL
1 Pictured bird of strange habits.
5 It is a native of —— ——.
12 Water wheel.
14 Money.
15 Engraver's tool.
16 Copper.
18 Genus of slugs
20 Does wrong.
21 Mental view.
23 Too.
24 Pasha of Tunis.
25 Constant sufferers.
27 Dry.
28 Folding bed.
29 Unto.
31 Bower.
33 Farewell.
35 Spoken.
37 Middle.
38 Neuter pronoun.
40 High priest.
41 Half an em.
42 Form of "a."
43 Your.
45 Type standard
46 Wing.
47 God of love.
49 Mosque priests.
54 Sword combat
55 Self.
56 Ringworm.
57 To sin.
58 Its egg —— ¼ as much as itself.
59 Its male bird ——s or hatches the eggs.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

VERTICAL
2 To habituate.
3 To harass.
4 Part of eye.
5 North America (abbr.).
6 To twist.
7 Noun ending.
8 Sound of surprise.
9 Italian coin.
10 Indigo shrubs.
11 Running knot in a lasso.
13 Inward.
15 Madman.
16 Ozone.
17 Pig pen.
19 It is mostly a —— or night bird.
21 Tanner's vessel.
22 Measure of area.
25 Mental state of an army.
26 Flower part.
28 Apple center.
30 Woden.
32 Exclamation.
34 Idant.
36 Boundaries.
39 One plus two.
42 Nimble.
44 Ascetic.
46 Emanation.
48 Muddy ground.
50 Musical note.
51 Blackbird.
52 Males.
53 Membranous bag.
54 Debutante.



POP—If Bad Language Counts Pop's Out

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