

Editorial

In order that the valuable papers read at the Oxford Conference in June may be in the hands of our readers as soon as possible, we are issuing this fourth quarterly number of THE CHURCHMAN for 1942 a month in advance of the usual date. There will, of course, be no further issue until January, 1943.

IN this issue of *The Churchman* it is our pleasure and privilege to present the papers read at the recent Oxford Conference of Evangelical Churchmen and also to record the Findings of the Conference itself. The Bishop of Chelmsford and Bishop Linton spoke from notes only and in the case of the former, what appears is only a very brief summary of a very practical address on the Regeneration of Society in the light of present conditions. The Bishop's mind can be better understood by a perusal of his recent book "It Can Happen Here," in which his subject is more fully outlined.

Fortunately, from the sketchy notes of his talk which we submitted to him, Bishop Linton has been able to make the dead bones live again, and all our readers will find his contribution challenging, arresting, and in the case of clerical readers, a cause for deep heart searching and prayer.

We are grateful to Almighty God that in these days it was possible for the Conference to be held—for the spirit of Fellowship which pervaded the Conference—for the high standard of sanctified scholarship which the papers reveal—and for the opportunity to place on permanent record the mind of Evangelicals at this time of world chaos and upheaval.

May the messages from the printed page be an inspiration to all readers, to "buy up the opportunity" and go forth in the name of Christ conquering and to conquer, as the fact is brought home that Evangelism IS the World's need.

We much regret that owing to war restrictions on our space we are unable to give any reviews of books in this number of the magazine.