REVEREND WILLIAM JOHN TERENCE OAKLEY

Reverend William Oakley was the vicar of Tansor, Cotterstock and Fotheringhay from 1956 to 1974.

He was ordained by the Bishop of Wakefield in 1932 and served in Yorkshire until the outbreak of WW2 when he became a chaplain to the Forces. He was awarded the Military Medal for "Acts of gallantry and devotion to duty" in 1941.

After the war he was vicar of Cloughfold from 1948 – 1952 and then the vicar of East Kirkby with Minningby and Hagnaby until 1956 when he moved to Northamptonshire. He retired on the 31st August 1974 and his retirement was announced in the local newspaper.

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LIST UP BY 400

NORTHAMPTON Corporation's council house waiting list has been steadily increasing over the past year from a level around the 1,400 to beyond 1,800 — and the number is rapidly reaching the 2,000 mark.

An approach has therefore been made to Northampton Development Corporation for options on 400 houses which could be used to overcome any real shortage. The size of the Corporation's present clearance programme has meant that with the steep rise in the price of private houses many people displaced from the clearance areas have looked to the Council for rented housing.

RECTOR TO RETIRE

THE Rev. W. J. T. Oakley, rector of Tansor with Cotterstock and Fotheringhay since 1956, has announced that he is to retire on August 31.

Mr. Oakley was ordained by the Bishop of Wakefield in 1932, and served in Yorkshire until the outbreak of war when he became a chaplain to the Forces. He was awarded the Military Medal in 1941.

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