

Richard Gale



GALE, General Sir Richard Nelson,
 G.C.B. 1954 (K.C.B. 1953; C.B. 1945);
 K.B.E. 1950 (O.B.E. 1940); D.S.O. 1944;
 M.C. 1918; Deputy Supreme Allied Com-
 mander, Europe, since 1958; Colonel, The
 Worcestershire Regiment, from 1950; Col.
 Commandant, The Parachute Regiment,
 from 1956; b. 25 July 1896; s. of late
 Wilfred Gale and Helen Webber Ann,
 d. of Joseph Nelson, Townsville, Australia;
 m. 1st, 1924, Ethel Maude Larnack (d.
 1952), d. of Mrs. Jessie Keene, Hove;
 no c.; 2nd, 1953, Daphne Mabelle Eveline,
 d. of late Francis Black, Stroud, Glos.
Educ.: Aldenham; R.M.C., Sandhurst.
 2nd Lt. Worcestershire Regiment, 1915;
 Capt. D.C.L.I. 1930; Major, Royal Inniskil-
 ling Fusiliers, 1938; Lt.-Col. Sept. 1939; Brig.
 1941; Maj.-Gen. 1946; act. Lt.-Gen. 1945;
 Lt.-Gen. 1947; Gen. 1952; raised and com-
 manded the 1st Parachute Brigade; com-
 manded 6th British Airborne Div.; Deputy
 Commander 1st Allied Airborne Army, 1945;
 Commander 1st British Airborne Corps, 1945;
 1st Inf. Div. 1946-47; G.O.C. British Troops,
 Egypt and Mediterranean Command, 1948-
 1949; Director-General of Military Training,
 War Office, 1949-52; Commander-in-Chief,
 Northern Army Group, Allied Land Forces
 Europe and British Army of the Rhine,
 1952-57; retired 1957; re-employed
 N.A.T.O. 1958. A.D.C. (General) to the

Queen, 1954-57. Comdr. Legion of Merit
 (U.S.); Comdr. Legion of Honour, Croix de
 Guerre with palm (France). *Recreation:*
 yachting; principal interest Eastern and
 Central Asian affairs (Member Royal Central
 Asian Society). *Clubs:* Army and Navy,
 Royal Thames Yacht.

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