



GENERAL LEESE

Oliver Leese
Lt General.

LEESE, Lieut.-General Sir Oliver William Hargreaves, 3rd Bt., *cr.* 1908; K.C.B., *cr.* 1943 (C.B. 1942); C.B.E. 1940; D.S.O. 1916; *b.* 27 Oct. 1894; *e. s.* of 2nd Bt. and Violet Mary (*d.* 1947), 4th *d.* of late Albert G. Sandeman; *S. father*, 1937; *m.* 1933, Margaret Alice, *o. d.* of Cuthbert Leicester-Warren, *q.v.* *Educ.*: Ludgrove; Eton. Served European War, 1914-18 (wounded three times, D.S.O., despatches twice); Adj. 3rd Bn. Coldstream Guards, 1920-22; Adj. O.T.C. Eton, 1922-25; Staff Coll., Camberley, 1927-28; Bde. Major, 1st Guards Brigade, 1929-32; D.A.A. and Q.M.G. London District, 1932-33; General Staff Officer, 2nd Grade, The War Office, 1935-36; commanded 1st Bn. Coldstream Guards, 1936-38; General Staff Officer, 1st Grade, Staff College, Quetta, 1938-40; Brigadier, 20th Guards Brigade, 1940; Deputy Chief of the General Staff B.E.F. 1940; Brigadier, 29th Independent Brigade Group, 1940; Comdr. West Sussex Div., 1941; Commander, 15th (Scottish) Division, Commander Guards Armoured Division, 1941; Commanding 30th Corps, 1942; Commander, 8th Army, 1944; Commanding Allied Land Forces South-East Asia, 1944-45; G.O.C. in Eastern Command, 1945-46; retired, 1946. Deputy Lieutenant County of Salop, 1947. Hon. Col. Shropshire Yeomanry, 1947. *Heir*: *b.* Alec. William, *b.* 1910. *Address*: The Lower Hall, Worfield, Bridgnorth, Salop.



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