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General Stasys RASTIKIS, born 18 September 1886 at KUSHENAI, Lithuania, was an officer in the Lithuanian Army during World War I. From 1920 to 1933 he was Chief of a Military Academy. Between 1933 and 1939, he was an Army commander in Lithuania. When the Soviets occupied Lithuania in 1940, he was arrested and charged with being an enemy of the proletariat and imprisoned in KAUJAS with his family. His two sons were arrested and exiled in Siberia. RASTIKIS and his family were "liberated" by the Germans in June 1941 and until 1944 he was employed as an Engineer in the Army Museum in KAUJAS. In 1944, he fled with his wife into Germany. It has been reported that RASTIKIS was one of the most popular Lithuanian personalities in the US Zone of Germany, in spite of the fact that he did not take an active part in the politics of Lithuanian Displaced Persons organizations. (Source: Personality Report, Region VII, dated 16 February 1948. Evaluation: C-3) (CONFIDENTIAL)

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