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SUBJECT: ROBERT S LYND

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D.C.

February 22, 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

It will be appreciated if you will advise whether your files contain any information relative to Robert Lynd of Columbia University, New York, who is required to determine whether you have any association by this individual with any Communist front organizations.

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Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

MR. HOOVER
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February 14, 1942

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LAWRENCE H. C. SMITH
CHIEF, SPECIAL DEFENSE UNIT

Reference is made to the memorandum of Mr. Frank W. Crocker dated February 12, 1942, requesting any information contained in the files of this Bureau relative to one Robert Lynd of Columbia University, New York City.

There is attached a summary of the information contained in the files of this Bureau relative to Robert Staughton Lynd who is possibly identical with the subject of your inquiry.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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February 14, 1942

MEMORANDUM

RE: ROBERT STAUGHTON LYND
75 Central Park West
New York, New York

Robert Staughton Lynd, 75 Central Park West, New York, New York, was born September 26, 1892, in New Albany, Indiana. Mr. Lynd's father and mother were born October 30, 1869, at Cincinnati, Ohio and September 17, 1870, at New Albany, Indiana, respectively. He received an A.B. Degree from Princeton University and a Ph.D. Degree from Columbia University. From 1923 to 1926, he was employed by the Institute of Social and Religious Research (no longer in operation), under Dr. G. M. Fisher, directing and writing up a study of the "small city", the results of which were set forth in a publication entitled "Middletown." From 1926 through 1927, he was employed as an Associate Director of Educational Research for the Commonwealth Fund under Dr. Max Parrand. From 1927 through 1931, he was employed at the Social Service Research Council, 230 Park Avenue, New York, New York. From 1931 to the present time, he has been employed by the Columbia University, New York City, as a Professor in the Graduate School of Political Science in the Department of Sociology, where he has been teaching and directing research on consumer problems. He was a member of the Consumer's Advisory Board of the N.R.A. Mr. Lynd is married, the name of his wife being Mrs. Helen Merrell Lynd. She was born March 17, 1896, at La Grange, Illinois. He is presently employed as a consultant by the Office for Emergency Management, Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Robert S. Lynd, Professor of Sociology, Columbia University, was a signer of an open letter dated February 22, 1937, addressed to "American Liberals," who were persons requested to join the "American Committee for the Defense of Free People." This letter asked these individuals if they wished to ally themselves with a group which has supported the progressive movement undertaken by the Soviet Union under the five-year plan, and the "Soviet Foreign Policy of Peace and International Understanding," and other achievements reported by liberals throughout the world.

In 1934, Robert S. Lynd, Professor of Sociology, Columbia

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Nease
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Mohr
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University, was listed as a member of the Board of Directors and of the Advisory Board of the Institute for Propaganda Analysis, Incorporated, 132 Morningside Drive, New York City.

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On February 16, 1938, Robert S. Lynd, Professor, Columbia University, was listed as an officer of the "American Council on Public Affairs," Room 1010, 20 Vesey Street, New York City.

(61-7559-2365)

On March 4, 1938, Professor Robert Lynd, Columbia University, was a signer of a letter published in the Daily Worker to Borough President, Stanley M. Isaacs, complimenting him for his "courageous action" in standing by his appointment of E. W. Gerson, formerly a Daily Worker reporter, to a post on his staff. This letter further indorsed Mr. Isaacs's action in refusing to disband Gerson from the public service merely because of his membership in a political party.

(61-7559-2248 X 20)

In 1940, Robert S. Lynd was one of 62 signers of a pamphlet entitled, "In Defense of the Bill of Rights." This pamphlet protested the fact that serious efforts are being made by the United States Government to silence and suppress the Communist Party.

(100-7049-20)

In this same year, a leaflet entitled, "In Defense of Civil Rights," was distributed around the campus of the University of Washington, which was devoted to the Defense of the Communist Party and to condemning the Government for indicting Earl Browder and Sam Darcy. One of the signers of this pamphlet was Robert S. Lynd, Columbia University.

(61-7559-7314 p 4)

The name of Dr. Robert S. Lynd, Professor of Sociology, Columbia University, appeared in the October 7, 1940, issue of the Communist paper, Daily Worker, as one of the eight Columbia University Professors who challenged the "Support War or Get Out Edict," of President Butler of that University.

Robert S. Lynd is a member of the Executive Committee of the "Portland, Oregon Emergency Council for Democratic Rights". On December 4, 1940, this organization protested by a published letter when Harold Spring, allegedly a well known Communist, was arrested by the Portland, Oregon, Police Department.

(100-41598-1 p 2)

On December 6, 1940, Professor Robert S. Lynd was listed as a sponsor of the meeting of the "American Committee for Friendship with the Soviet Union," with headquarters at Room 1, 75 Fifth Avenue, New York City. (61-7559-Section 249-11051)

The December 23, 1940, issue of the Daily Worker listed Professor Robert S. Lynd, Columbia University, as a member of the Board of the "American Committee for Democracy and Intellectual Freedom."

Daily Worker 12-23-40)

In February 1941, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Lynd, 45 Central Park West, New York City, were listed as members of the "New York Conference for Inalienable Rights."

(100-10117 e p 48)

In March 1941, from a reliable confidential source, it was learned that Robert Lynd was connected with the "Twentieth Century Fund". He was a signer of the "Golden Book", prepared by the Communist Party, containing eulogies to the Soviet Union on its 20th Anniversary in 1937. He was a sponsor of the Consumers' Union and a supporter of S. W. Cason.

(100-14354-2 p 2)

In this same year, Professor Robert Lynd of New York City was listed as a sponsor of the "National Conference on Constitutional Liberties in America".

(100-1170-110-3)

Robert Staughton Lynd was listed as a sponsor of the "Michigan Committee for Academic Freedom."

(100-52-85-2)

A reliable, confidential source, who is well acquainted with Robert Staughton Lynd, considers him as being a "leftist" in his views and would definitely label him as a "fellow traveler" of the Communist Party.

(100-706384 p 9)

May 19, 1950

SAC, New York

Director, FBI

ROBERT STRAUGHTON LYND
SECURITY MATTER - C

Lynd was recently named by Louis Budenz as one of the "concealed Communists" in the United States.

Bureau files reflect Lynd was the subject of a Special Inquiry for the Office for Emergency Management, your file 77-597.

You are requested to submit a report summarizing any additional information you may have in your files and to advise the Bureau whether or not further investigation appears to be warranted.

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Robert Lynd

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- Tracy _____

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 8, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: RE: ROBERT S. LYND (LOUIS BUDENZ 100)
SECURITY MATTER - C

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LOUIS F. BUDENZ, formerly managing editor of the "Daily Worker" and a Communist Party functionary until he broke with the Party in October 1945 has been interviewed during the past few months concerning the concealed Communists whom he knew. The person named above as the subject of this case, was one of those individuals whom BUDENZ described as a concealed Communist. BUDENZ describes a concealed Communist as one who does not hold himself out as a Communist and who would deny membership in the Party.

BUDENZ advised SA [redacted] on June 23, 1950, of all he knew concerning the subject, that he felt was pertinent, and dictated this information to a stenographer of this office, who was present during the interview.

He used, in order to bring out all he knew about the subject, the following set of questions. He considered all questions in connection with this subject. Where he did not comment on some particular question or activity of the subject, then it is because he had no knowledge. If he recalled anything about the subject as a result of these questions he stated what he knew. The questions are as follows:

1. Identify individual
 - a. If observed a description and other identifying data;
 - b. If not seen, enough descriptive data about individual to positively identify him or her;
 - c. Any aliases
2. Narrate how he knows individual as a Communist
 - a. If seen at a disclosed meeting, get date, place and persons present;
 - b. If told or orally that individual was a Communist, get date, place and circumstances, and who was present;
 - c. Relate all occasions when he saw or heard of subject, and who was present;
 - d. Has individual ever written anything that would identify him as a Communist;

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Introduction

The purpose of this study is to determine the effect of the independent variable on the dependent variable. The study was conducted over a period of six months.

Methodology

The study was conducted using a quantitative research design. Data was collected through a series of experiments and surveys. The sample size was 100 participants.

The data was analyzed using statistical software to determine the significance of the results.

The results of the study indicate that there is a significant positive correlation between the independent variable and the dependent variable.

The findings of this study have important implications for the field of research.

Further research is needed to explore the underlying mechanisms of the relationship between the variables.

The study was supported by the National Science Foundation.

The authors would like to thank the participants for their contribution to the study.

Letter to Director

attached is a business memorandum dictated by LOUIS T. BUDENZ and containing all the pertinent information concerning the subject BUDENZ could presently recollect.

The originals of each memo in this case were reviewed by Mr. BUDENZ and he has made any necessary corrections and he has signed the original signed original of each memo is being retained in the confidential file of LOUIS T. BUDENZ, NY file 62-8988.

Since the individuals such as the subject of this case according to BUDENZ, concealed Communists and were in Germany in instances of persons of some prominence, it is suggested that all the information appearing in the attached memo is to be removed from BUDENZ should be removed from the general file of main records.

The information on the above named individuals is to be removed from the file of BUDENZ and placed in the file of the names of the concealed Communists were removed from the general file of main records by Internal Security.

ROBERT S. LYND

Author, who, with his wife HELEN MERRILL LYND, wrote the famous book "Middletown", a survey of Muncie, Indiana. Connected with Columbia University and with Sarah Lawrence College of Bronxville, New York.

While Professor LYND has always tried to pose as a "Barrellical", I was told early in my connection with the Party by [REDACTED] that LYND was "closely connected with the Party".

Subsequently, in the 1940's, EUGENE DENNIS and JACK STACHEL instructed me to consider LYND as a Communist. This was equivalent to stating he was under Communist discipline and I so regarded him during my entire time as managing editor of the Daily Worker since these instructions were official in character. Professor LYND seemed to confirm these instructions by his association with a number of Communist fronts.

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SUMMARY OF FILE REFERENCES

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Main file No: 100-76201

Date: 12-18-50

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Subject: Robert Staughton Lynd

Searched As:

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Robert	Staughton	Lynd
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The above surnames were searched in combination with all the given names set forth above.

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Found As:

Robert S. Lynd	<i>Summary</i>	Robert Browning Lynd	<i>Summary</i>
Robert Lynd	"	Robert Staughton Lynd	"
R. S. Lynd	"	Robert Staughtun Lynd	"
Robert S. Lind	"	Bob Lynd	"
Robert Lind	"	Bob Lind	"
		Robert Straughton Lynd	

This summary includes material obtained from a review of references identified with the subject. All references which are identical or probably identical have been included. Possible identical references, those references where there is insufficient data to reflect probable identity, have been listed at the end of this summary.

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SUMMARY OF MAIN FILES

In February, 1942, Lynd was the subject of an OEM applicant case based on his application for employment as a consultant. At that time Dies Committee records showed that he had been a sponsor and signer for a number of left-wing organizations, three of which have since been cited by the Attorney General as Communist. None of the persons interviewed during this investigation believed Lynd to be disloyal. Several of his former associates stated he was inclined to be extremely liberal in his political views, but certainly not a Communist.

In May, 1950, this file was reopened and New York was requested to submit a summary report of all information since the original investigation was closed in July, 1942.

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The file designated below contains only two serials, the first of which is a blind summary memorandum dated February 14, 1942, furnished to the Special Defense Unit of the Department of Justice at its request.

The second serial is a memorandum dictated by Louis H. Budenz, former Communist Party functionary which is quoted in full as follows:

"June 23, 1950."

"ROBERT S. LYND"

"Author, who, with his wife HELEN MERRILL LYND, wrote the famous book "Middletown", a survey of Muncie, Indiana. Connected with Columbia University

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and with Sarah Lawrence College of Bronxville, New York.

"While Professor LYND has always tried to pose as a 'Harold Laski radical', I was told early in my connection with the Party by ROBERT W. DUNN that LYND was 'closely connected with the Party'.

"Subsequently, in the 1940's EUGENE DENNIS and JACK STACHEL instructed me to consider LYND as a Communist. This was equivalent to stating he was under Communist discipline and I so regarded him during my entire time as managing editor of the Daily Worker since these instructions were official in character. Professor LYND seemed to confirm these instructions by his association with a number of Communist fronts."

This will be considered the main file for purposes of this summary.

100-76201.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Robert Staughton Lynd was born September 26, 1892, at New Albany, Indiana. He attended Princeton University from 1910 to 1914, receiving an A.B. Degree. His scholastic record at Princeton was under the name of Robert Browning Lynd, but there is no indication that he ever used this name on any other occasion. From 1914 to 1918 he was employed in the Editorial Department of Publishers Weekly, New York City. He served in the United States Army, 1918-19, following which he accepted a position as Advertising Manager of the Book Department, Charles Scribner's Sons, Publishers, New York City. Subsequently, in 1919, he was employed by B. W. Huesch Publishing Company, New York City, which position he resigned in September, 1920. In September, 1920, he entered the Union

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Theological Seminary, New York City, and in May, 1923, received the Degree of Bachelor of Divinity. During 1919, 1920, 1921, and 1933 he attended classes at the New School for Social Research, New York City. He also studied at Columbia University intermittently from 1921 to 1931, receiving a Ph.D. in Sociology in 1931. For several months in 1925 he lived in Muncie, Indiana, to do research work which resulted in his writing a book entitled "Middletown", a sociological study of Muncie. He was employed by the Commonwealth Fund, New York City, from April, 1926, to July, 1927, as a Research Supervisor. He was employed as Secretary of the Social Science Research Council from November, 1927, to July, 1931, and by Columbia University from July, 1931, to June, 1942, as Professor of Sociology. His application for employment by OCM shows that he was hired as a Consultant by CPA. This application also showed that he had resided at 75 Central Park West, New York City, and was married to Helen Merrell Lynd.

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Helen Merrell Lynd is the subject of a Security Matter - C case which was opened by the New York Office in September, 1948 and closed in December, 1949. This file sets forth numerous affiliations and activities on her part with Communist front organizations.

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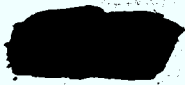
Robert Staughton Lynd, 75 Central Park West, New York City, was an associate of Sir Bernard Pares.

"Who's Who in America", 1944-45, identified Robert Staughton Lynd, Professor of Sociology, Columbia University, as born on September 26, 1892, in New Albany, Indiana. A.B. Degree Princeton, 1914; B.D. Union Theological Seminary, 1923; PhD Columbia, 1931. He married Helen Merrill on September 3, 1921. Editor of Publishers Weekly 1914-1918; Advertising and Publicity for the Book Department of Charles Scribner & Sons, 1919; Assistant Publisher B.W. Huesch, Inc. 1920; Director, Small City Study - Institute of Social and Religious Research 1923-26; Assistant Director, Division of Educational Research, Commonwealth Fund 1926-27; Secretary, Social Science Research Council 1927-31; Professor of Sociology, Columbia University, 1931 —; Trustee, 20th Century Fund 1938 —; Field Artillery, U.S. Army, 1918; fellow in AAAS. Member: American Social Society; American Statistics Association; American Economics Association. Co-author (with wife) of "Middletown" - a story in contemporary American culture, 1929. Author "Knowledge For What" 1939. Contributor to sociological and other publications.

The Credit Bureau of Greater New York indicated by report dated January 10, 1945, that Robert Staughton Lynd maintained residence at 75 Central Park West, New York City and 320 Charles Street, Muncy, Indiana. He was married to Helen Merrill and had one son, St. Craig Lynd. He had lived in New York City at 75 Central Park West, a cooperative apartment, since 1928, and came to this city from Muncy, Indiana in 1926.

The indices of the New York Field Division reflected the following Communist Front Organizations with which Robert Staughton Lynd had been associated:

- AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR DEMOCRATIC AND INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM, Executive Board, 1940; Executive Committee, 1941;
- AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR FRIENDSHIP WITH THE SOVIET UNION, Sponsor and Member, 1940;
- AMERICAN INVESTORS UNION, INC., Board of Directors, 1941;
- NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES IN AMERICA, Sponsor, 1940;
- RUSSIAN WAR RELIEF, INC., Sponsor, 1941;
- NATIONAL EMERGENCY CONFERENCE, Sponsor, 1941;
- NATIONAL BOYCOTT AGAINST AGRESSOR NATIONS, Sponsor, 1941;
- Petition of COUNCIL FOR DEMOCRATIC AND INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM to Discontinue Dies Committee, 1941;
- NATIONAL SHARECROPPERS WEEK (3/1-8/42), Sponsor;
- CONGRESS OF AMERICAN SOVIET FRIENDSHIP, Patron, 1942;
- NATIONAL COUNCIL OF AMERICAN SOVIET FRIENDSHIP, Sponsor, 1943.



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Confidential Source T-1 reported that on January 31, 1946, Robert Lynd contacted Bella Gold for an undetermined purpose. T-1 also reported that Henry H. Collins, Jr., subject of a Hatch Act investigation by the Washington Field Division in 1942, asked Bella Gold for an introduction to Robert Lynd; that Sonia Gold listed Robert Lynd, Columbia University, as a reference in a Civil Service application. T-1 indicated that Robert Lynd and Helen Merrill Lynd, members and sponsors of the National Council of American Soviet Friendship and the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, were listed in the Dies Committee report of 1941.

The "Daily Worker" of October 7, 1940, made reference to an edict of Nicholas Murray Butler, then President of Columbia University, who shortly previous to that date had directed an open letter to eight Columbia University professors requesting that they support the cooperative war effort of the United States government or resign their positions with the university. Robert Staughton Lynd, Professor of Sociology, was one of those named.

The "Daily Worker" of November 12, 1940, listed Robert Staughton Lynd as a sponsor of a meeting of the American Committee For Friendship with the Soviet Union held at Manhattan Center, New York City on November 15, 1940.

The "Daily Worker" for November 19, 1940, listed Robert Staughton Lynd as a sponsor of a conference to protect "Democracy in New York Schools". This conference was called to combat the investigation of the Rapp-Coudert Committee which was investigating Communist activities in the New York Educational System.

The "Daily Worker" for November 12, 1944, listed Lynd as a sponsor for the Madison Square Garden Rally held on November 16, 1944, under the auspices of the Council For American Soviet Friendship.

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T-1 - WFO Report of SA [REDACTED] 1-1-46,
in the case entitled, "Gregory; Espionage"
New York Report 3-5-47.
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According to a letterhead of the American Committee for Democracy and Intellectual Freedom obtained at the office of the Committee, the Executive Committee for this organization included Professor Robert S. Lynd of Columbia University.

Robert Staughton Lynd, Professor of Sociology, had been active in the advertising and publishing field; Assistant Director of the Division of Educational Research, Commonwealth Fund, 1926-27; Professor of Sociology at Columbia University since 1931; served with the Field Artillery, United States Army, 1918; member of a number of scientific societies in the field of sociological anthropology, economics; author; residence address 75 Central Park West, New York City.

No source reported
New York report 1-28-41
Re: American Committee for
Democracy and Intellectual Freedom
519 West 121st Street, New York
City, Internal Security
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An employment record for Bela Gold which was obtained from the records from the Civil Service Commission, Department of Agriculture, WPB and FEA indicated that from November 1934, to May 1935, Gold was employed by Professor Robert S. Lynd, Columbia University, assisting in economics and social effects of the depression study. From June 1935, to September, 1935, and June 1936, to September 1936, Gold was again employed by Professor Robert S. Lynd, assisting in preparation of Dr. Lynd's book "Middletown in Transition".

Washington, D.C. report 12-20-49,
Re: "Bela Gold, was.; Sophie Gold,
Sec. Matter - C."
100-365891-2 p.3
(not listed on search slip)

T-6 (mail cover, residence of Bela and Sonia Gold, 3007 Pershing Drive, Arlington, Virginia) advised that during the first 6 months of 1946, Bela and Sonia Gold were in frequent contact with Robert S. Lynd, Columbia University.

T-7 (report of SA [redacted] New York, 5-17-45, Re [redacted] et al, Espionage - C) advised that Robert S. Lynd in 1945, was a member of the Board of Directors of the American Russian Institute for Cultural Relations with the Soviet Union.

The literature of the Bill of Rights Conference (source for this literature not indicated) held on July 16 and 17, 1949, reflected that Robert S. Lynd of Columbia University was a sponsor. As an outgrowth of the conference certain resolutions were passed which paralleled the Communist Party platform adopted by the Communist Party in 1948.

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In 1946, Confidential Informant T-1 [REDACTED] advised that Henry Hill Collins made inquiry of Bela Gold as to whether Robert Lynd was the kind of an individual to whom Collins could say he, Collins, was a good friend of Bela Gold. Gold stated that Lynd was such an individual. Henry Collins advised T-1 and Bela Gold that he was interested in "foundations" and understood that Lynd knew the "deal" on foundations. (b)(7)(c) b7D

Henry Hill Collins was appointed Executive Director in 1948 of the American Russian Institute.

No source reported.
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Personnel records of the War Production Board reflect that on December 7, 1943, Gold was transferred from the Department of Agriculture to the WPB where he received an appointment as Business Adviser. On Bela Gold's Form-57 executed in October 1943, Gold furnished the following references:

Robert S. Lynd, Columbia University; Rensis Likert, Department of Agriculture; Dr. Herbert Schimmel, staff member, War Mobilization sub-Committee; Henry H. Collins, staff director of the above committee.

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Records of the U. S. Treasury Department reflect that Sonia Gold was appointed Associate Economic Analyst on August 25, 1943. On a Civil Service Commission Form-57 executed at the time of the Treasury Department employment, Sonia Gold listed a number of references including Professor Robert S. Lynd, Columbia University.

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The "Daily Worker" for February 12, 1937, contained an article entitled, "Nine Resign from Trotzky 'Defense'", which stated that nine members had resigned from the American Committee for the Defense of Leon Trotzky, according to an announcement that day on behalf of the 60 Liberals who signed the Open Letter to American Liberals protesting against the use of the Committee for Partisan Political Purposes. The Open Letter declared that while the Trotzky Defense Committee was ostensibly formed in defense of certain principles of civil liberties, its present activities could only be interpreted as "political intervention in the internal affairs of the Soviet Union with hostile intent." Prof. Robert S. Lynd, of Columbia University, was among the 60 persons who signed this letter.

"Daily Worker", 2-12-37.
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A similar article appeared in the "Western Worker" for February 22, 1937, in which a list of the signers was also set forth. In this article under the list of signers appeared: "Robert S. Lynd, sociologist, Columbia University, author of 'Middletown'."

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The State Department personnel file of [redacted] listed the name of Robert Lynd, Columbia University, New York City, Professor of Sociology, as a reference.

The files of the Dies Committee on Un-American Activities, Washington, D. C., reflected the following concerning Lynd:

1. Signer of a statement against "Franco Spies, which statement was sponsored by the "American League Against War and Fascism" ("Daily Worker", May 11, 1937).
2. The name of one Robert S. Lynd appears as a sponsor on the program of the Fifth National Conference of the "American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born", held at Atlantic City, New Jersey, March 29-30, 1941.
3. The name of one Robert Lynd appears as a signer of an open letter to the President of Brazil to save Luiz Carlos Prestos, which letter was sponsored by the "Council for Pan-American Democracy".
4. The name of one Robert Lynd appears as a signer of an open letter to former Secretary of State Cordell Hull and the Pan-American Conference, which letter was sponsored by the "League of American Writers".
5. The program of the "American Russian Institute" for its dinner and presentation of its first annual award held at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, on May 7, 1946, listed one Robert S. Lynd on the Board of Directors.

In a pamphlet put out by the "National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Incorporated," in 1946, one Professor Rober S. Lynd was named as a sponsor.

Informant advised on September 4, 1947, that Professor Robert S. Lynd was a sponsor for the "American Committee for Yugoslav Relief Incorporated" (New York)

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The administrative page of this report states that the information concerning Lynd was obtained from the report of SA [redacted] 2-8-49, at Washington, D. C., in the case entitled [redacted] Security Matter C."

New York Report 5-26-50, Re [redacted] Loyalty of Government Employees"

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R. S. Lynd, Columbia University, was listed as a reference by [redacted] on his application for Federal employment.

No source reported.

The files of the Dies Committee of Un-American Activities, Washington, D.C. reflected the following concerning Lynd:

"American League Against War and Fascism Signer of Statement against Franco Spies, (Daily Worker, May 11, 1937 p.1.)"

"Lynd, Robert S.

American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, Sponsor, Program Fifth National Conference, Atlantic City, N.J. March 29-30, 1941; "Council for Pan American Democracy, Signer of Open Letter to the President of Brazil to save Luiz Carlos Prestes (New Masses, 12/3/40 p.28); "League of American Writers Signer, Open Letter to Secretary Cordell Hall and the Pan American Conference."

The program of the American Russian Institute for its dinner and presentation of its first annual award held at the Hotel Pennsylvania on May 7, 1946, listed Robert S. Lynd on the Board of Directors.

In a pamphlet put out by the National Council of American - Soviet Friendship, Incorporated, in 1946, Professor Robert S. Lynd was named as sponsor.

[redacted] advised on September 4, 1947 that Professor Robert S. Lynd was a sponsor for the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief, Incorporated.

[redacted] advised on April 27, 1949 that Professor Robert S. Lynd was invited to attend a party at the Polish Consulate in honor of the delegates who attended the Cultural and Scientific Conference for World Peace at the Hotel Waldorf.

The program for the Fifth National Conference of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born listed Robert S. Lynd and his wife as sponsors for the conference held at Atlantic City, New Jersey, March 29, 30, 1941.

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The "New York Times" for October 10, 1937 contained an article entitled "Propaganda Study Is Aim of Institute", announcing the organization of the Institute for Propaganda Analysis, 132 Morningside Drive, a nonprofit corporation "to assist the public in detecting and analyzing propaganda by conducting scientific research and education in the methods by which public opinion is influenced."

The officers, according to the announcement, included as President, Hadley Cantril, Associate Professor of Psychology, Princeton University; Vice President, Ernest O. Melby, Dean of the School of Education, Northwestern University; Secretary, Clyde R. Miller, Associate Professor of Education, Teachers College, Columbia University, and Treasurer, Robert K. Speer, Professor of Education, New York University. The Board of Directors included Charles A. Beard, historian; Robert S. Lynd, Professor of Sociology, Columbia University; Kirtley Mather, Professor of Geology, Harvard University, and James T. Shotwell, Professor of History, Columbia University.

It was stated that the Goodwill Fund, Incorporated, a charitable corporation, financed by the late Edward A. Filene, had given money to the Institute which hoped to become self-supporting through the sale of monthly newsletters and through donations and contributions.

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