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There was scheduled at Cornell University from July 3, to September 23, 1944, a course in "Soviet Economics: its Theory and Practice." Among the persons listed to teach in this school was Prof. Robert S. Lind.

General Intelligence Memorandum  
Syracuse, New York, 8-4-44  
100-3-62-65  
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In a pamphlet of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc. entitled, "National Celebrations Dedicated to American-Soviet Friendship, November - 1944", the name of Professor Robert S. [redacted] appeared as one of the sponsors of November celebrations.

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[redacted] Letter dated 11/9/44, at  
Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Re: "Conf. Inft [redacted]"  
105-2881-11  
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A printed leaflet issued by the American Russian Institute, 58 Park Avenue, New York 16, New York announces the resumption of publication of "The American Review on the Soviet Union" beginning with Volume VI, No. 1, November 1, 1944. This leaflet sets forth the names of the Board of Directors including Robert S. Lynd.

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On December 20, 1944, [redacted] attended the [redacted] Faculty Club of Columbia University, for a dinner which was being [redacted] by the Russian Economic Institute, at which dinner Oscar Lange was guest speaker. A highly confidential source advised that [redacted] had in his possession a press release of the above mentioned speech which was [redacted] "From the Russian Economic Institute, 90 Morningside Drive, New York, for release on Thursday, December 21, 1944." This release contained a summary of an address delivered by Professor Oscar Lange, University of Chicago, at a conference of the Russian Economic Institute held at the date and place indicated above. Guests of honor were Professors J. M. Clark and Robert S. Lynd, Columbia University, and Dr. Stephen Duggan, Institute of International Education.

During his speech Lange stated that the purposes of the Communist International were aimed at its inception at the establishment of a world revolution but that this was changed by Stalin for the protection of the Soviet State against foreign aggression by raising Russia to first rank military power and having it collaborate with the Democratic governments or any other governments which were anti-Fascist and not anti-Soviet.

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New York report 2/10/45

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The "New York Times" of March 3, 1945, published a statement issued by the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade entitled "For America's Sake, Break with Franco Spain" which set forth a list of sponsors of this statement which included Robert S. Lynd. Letterheads currently used by the National Council for American-Soviet Friendship indicated that Lynd was a member of the sponsoring committee of the Committee on Education of the NEFAF.

Original source not reported.

New York report 8-14-45, Re:  
"American Russian Institute  
for Cultural Relations with  
the Soviet Union, Inc."  
61-6211-418, pg. 7  
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[REDACTED] listed Professor Robert S. Lynd of Columbia University as a reference. Professor Lynd was not available for interview in New York City as he was in Brooklin, Maine.

In 1945, an informant advised that Robert S. Lynd, a professor of Sociology at Columbia, was reported to have, "leftist" sympathies and was a member of the Board of Directors of the American Russian Institute.

T. Informant not identified, quoted in report of [REDACTED] 5/15/45, entitled [REDACTED]

Robert S. Lynd and his wife were members of the National Council of American Soviet Friendship.

T. Informant not identified, quoted in Rpt. of [REDACTED] 1/15/47 at Wash., D.C. entitled, [REDACTED]

On September 4, 1947, Professor Robert S. Lynd was a speaker for the American Committee for Yugoslavian Relief, Incorporated.

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According to a chart on Communist Party front organizations maintained by the New York Field Division, Robert S. Lynd was a member of the Board of Directors of the American Russian Institute, 58 Park Avenue, New York City.

New York Letters 12-8-44, 12-25-44  
1-24-46, Re: "Communist Party - Party"  
Internal Security-C.  
100-326-34-241, 36 pg. 6, 39 pg. 10  
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As of May, 1945, the members of the Board of Directors of the American-Russian Institute for Cultural Relations with the Soviet Union, Incorporated, 58 Park Avenue, New York City, included Robert S. Lynd. Concerning Lynd, the report states that he was a former member of the Professor of Sociology at Columbia University and was known to have leftist sympathies.

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No source reported  
New York Times, 1945  
Re: [REDACTED]  
with aliases: [REDACTED]  
100-267360-248  
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In 1945 (no date specified) a telephone call originating from the telephone of Bela Gold and Sonia Steinman Gold, Washington, D. C., was received by New York City University 4-3200 Ext. 3200.

No source reported

The New York Office advised by letter dated January 23, 1946, that this number was listed to the switchboard of Columbia University, New York City, Offices, Broadway and 116th Street, New York City. The Washington Field Office through a confidential source ascertained that the above call was made to Professor Robert S. Lynd, Sociology Department, Columbia University.

Special Agent [redacted] of the Washington Field Office, who was personally acquainted with Professor Robert S. Lynd advised that in the course of his graduate studies at Columbia in 1939-41, Lynd did not have any knowledge of being associated with Communists. Lynd, author of the Book, "Middletown", specialized in courses dealing with consumption and production, as well as standards of living in America. It came to the attention of Agent [redacted] that Lynd had recently expressed considerable interest in the Russian economic system. However, at no time had [redacted] heard any comments from Lynd or his associates which would indicate that Lynd was allied in any way with the Communist faction. It was also the recollection of Agent [redacted] that Lynd became associated with one of the government emergency units in 1940 or 1941. Members of the faculty had mentioned to [redacted] that Lynd was making periodic visits to Washington at that time in an advisory capacity to one of the emergency units of the government.

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The report designated below sets forth a list of sponsors of Consumers Union, together with their respective occupations or organizational affiliations, with the comment that a check of these sponsors will show an extensive interlocking with Communist front organizations. Included on this list of sponsors is Professor Robert S. Lynd - department of sociology, Columbia; co-author "Middletown."

No source reported.

New York report 4-16-45.

Re: "Communist Infiltration of the Consumers Union of the Inc., Int. Sec. - C."

100-7324-35

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The Los Angeles Daily News on May 10, 1945 carried an advertisement entitled "For America's Sake: Break with Franco Spain!". This advertisement was a statement issued by the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, 100 Astor Place, New York 3, New York advocating that the United States should sever all relations with the "Illegal Franco Government". The advertisement stated that it was supported and sponsored by a group of individuals whose names were set forth which included Robert S. Lynd, and carried a request for contributions to help in payment of the advertisement.

Los Angeles Report 6/16/45  
Re: "Veterans of the Abraham  
Lincoln Brigade, Incorporated,  
Internal Security-C"  
100-7060-276  
(9)

The same advertisement appeared in "The New York Times" for March 1945 which also included a list of sponsors including Robert S. Lynd.

New York Report 3/27/45  
Re: "Veterans of the Abraham  
Lincoln Brigade, Incorporated,  
Internal Security-C"  
100-7060-264  
(3)

The reference designated below is a clipping of the above advertisement as it appeared in the Washington Post for 2-27-45.

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On November 19, 1945, information was received that Professor Robert Lynd of Columbia University was [redacted] of the Board of Education, New York City, concerning putting ARI's In Service Course for Teachers back on the Board of Education curriculum. This course on the Soviet Union was formerly given for the teachers by the institute, but was dropped by [redacted] this year (1945). [redacted] a member of the Board of Directors of ARI and a law partner of the late Wendell Wilkie, was to accompany Lynd to see [redacted]


New York letter, 12-5-45.  
Re: "American Russian Institute  
for Cultural Relations with the  
Soviet Union, Inc., Int. Reg. No.  
61-6211-444  
(12)

The report designated below contains the same information set forth above except that Professor Robert Lynd is described as a member of the Board of Directors of [redacted]


New York report, 1-25-46.  
Re: "American Russian Institute  
for Cultural Relations with the  
Soviet Union, Inc., Int. Reg. No.  
61-6211-444  
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On January 1, 1946 Bela Gold, with alias Bill Gold, 3007 North Pershing Drive, Arlington, Virginia, telephone Chestnut 3397 attempted to contact Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lind of New York City but was unsuccessful.

  
Washington, D. C. rpt. 1/28/46  
Re: "Nathan Gregory Silvermaster  
with aliases et al, Espionage-R"  
65-56402-466, P. 34  
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On January 2, 1946 at 10:15 P. M., a doctor in New York advised Bela Gold he had telephoned a [redacted] husband, about this psychiatric treatment (the serial does not explain the phrase "this psychiatric treatment") and advised the [redacted] and someone to take on for a visit or two a week. The New York doctor further advised that for a physical check-up he recommended [redacted] and discussed with Gold the advisability of getting one to call for an appointment. The New York doctor said to use our name as introduction. At 10:35 P. M. Bela Gold called on [redacted] at [redacted] (phonetic [redacted] in New York City, and advised that he had just talked to Robert Lind and had arranged for medical and psychiatric treatment. Gold then repeated the names furnished by the unidentified New York doctor previously referred to who possibly may have been Dr. Robert Lind.

Confidential source (not further identified)

Washington Field teletype 1/4/46  
Re: "Nathan Gregory Silvermaster  
with aliases et al; Espionage-R"  
65-56402-343  
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On January 7, 1946, the New York Office forwarded transcribed logs of information furnished by Confidential Informant [redacted]

The log for November 19, 1945, reported a conversation between [redacted] and Professor Robert Lynd of Columbia University in which Lynd agreed to see [redacted] of the New York City Board of Education concerning placing the "ARI" (American Russian Institute) Service Course for Teachers on the Soviet Union on the Board of Education's curriculum for 1946.

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New York letter 1-7-46, re:  
"American Russian Institute  
for Cultural Relations with  
the Soviet Union, Incorporation  
Internal Security - R,  
Registration Act."  
61-6211-449  
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On January 11, 1946, [redacted] conferred with [redacted] of the [redacted] who was [redacted] in discussing [redacted] ARI's In-Service Course for Teachers. [redacted] explained that the New York City Board of Education had dropped the Institute's course on Russia from its 1945 curriculum and she stated that the staff (not further identified) had been in contact with [redacted] of the New York City schools. [redacted] stated that [redacted] has suggested that ARI appear before the New York City Board of Education to plead their cause and, [redacted] Professor Robert Lynd of Columbia University, and Professor [redacted] of Cornell University, both members of the Board of Directors of ARI, had been in contact with the [redacted] of Education.

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A leaflet published by the ARI (date and original source not reported) stated that the Russian American Institute (sic) was an independent nonpolitical American membership organization incorporated in New York State as the American Russian Institute for Cultural Relations with the Soviet Union, Incorporated. A list of members of the Board of Directors set forth on this leaflet included the name Robert S. Lynd.

New York report, 3-22-46

American Russian Institute  
for Cultural Relations  
with the Soviet Union, Incorporated

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6-12-46