

# Fairchild -- Anti-Semite, Appeaser and Small-time Politician Backs Davies

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of the lower forms of political animal life are studying with considerable interest the coterie of supporters gathered about John R. Davies, pro-appeasement candidate for the mayoralty nomination in the Republican primaries.

Davies who is opposing Mayor La Guardia for the C. O. P. nomination has been charged with getting America First money to advance his campaign. No denial of the allegation has been made. Davies' petitions were the subject of sharp attack before the Board of Elections yesterday.

The vocal political small fry in the Davies camp is former Alderman Fairchild, an avowed Republican and anti-Semite.

A creature of the clubhouse back-

room and sonorous committees, like the lily of the field Fairchild apparently does not neither does he spin. Invariably he has been associated with everything reactionary in local affairs.

An inveterate writer of letters to the papers he has frequently sought respectability by association with functioning groups of community standing. For a brief period he was chairman of the National Committee for Religious Recovery until its executives caught up with him.

On April 7, 1941 the committee's board of directors met at the Murray Hill hotel and removed him as chairman. Fairchild's "preoccupation with politics" was announced tactfully as the reason for his removal.

Fairchild, however, gave the show away when he denounced the board of directors as "the tool of the New Deal and the Jews."

Further inquiry disclosed the fact that the directors had investigated Fairchild's background, writings and statements and had come to the conclusion that he was largely in the creation of religious food will.

## REACTIONARY HOWLER

Considered small potatoes indeed in Republican circles he has always attached himself and attached is the word—to the most reactionary wing of that party. A consistent opponent of fusion between liberal Republicans and other anti-Tammany forces in the city, he has long preached that the New Deal was "socialism." Within the G.O.P. he has generally been the front for self-styled committees for "Republican Integrity" to oppose even lip-service to reform.

Fairchild, who has to be seen to be believed, at first conveyed the

impression of a burlesque politician. Generally clad in black clothes, his wide sombrero-type felt, waxed mustaches, cigar, aldermanic paunch and oratorical style of 1899 vintage combine to make him the artist's conception of a wardheeler.

Opposed to anything faintly liberal, he has written in publications that if not openly fascist had more than a vigilante tinge. On May 1, he can be frequently seen in Union Square mourning that "the united front business is getting too big."

Characteristically enough, Fairchild was one of those who sought to bar Earl Browder and the Communist Party from the ballot in the 1940 campaign. It is this same Fairchild who last Sunday issued a widely-ignored appeal for the nomination of Davies as "the anti-war, anti-New Deal" candidate.