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## Fr. Coughlin Radio Pays \$1,458,000

DETROIT, March 11 (A. P.)—A bookkeeper testified today that Rev. Charles E. Coughlin's Radio League of the Little Flower had paid over to his parish more than \$1,458,000 since the League's organization.

The witness was Miss Alberta Ward, an employee of the League. She testified during an Unemployment Compensation Commission hearing before Referee, Henry Glickman on the League's appeal from a commission ruling that it is not a charitable organization and therefore owes the State accumulated payroll taxes.

Employees of the League have been refused State jobless benefits because the taxes were not paid, Glickman disclosed.

Miss Ward testified that the League's income was \$404,469 in 1937, \$574,418 in 1938, \$102,254 in 1939 and \$82,283 in 1940. She said Father Coughlin, as its president, received \$2600 in 1936 and 1937, \$2000 in 1938 and \$2100 in 1939, in addition to loans of \$2545 and \$2988 in 1936.