WLW PRESIDENT ORDERED TO EXPLAIN CONCESSIONS

F. C. C. Member Calls Crosley in Radio Inquiry.

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Powell Crosley Jr., president of the Crosley Radio corporation, which recently retained Charles Michelson, publicity director of the Democratic National committee, as a public relations adviser, was called upon Sunday by George Henry Payne, Republican member of the Federal Communications commission, to produce facts bearing on charges that he obtained "unusual concessions."

The charges were aimed at operations of the Crosley station, WLW, at Cincinnati, which is the only one in the United States that holds an experimental license to use power of 500,000 watts, although ten others have sought such authority.

Pointing out that the employment of stations so licensed "to collect handsome commercial profits" is "definitely prohibited by the rules of the commission," Mr. Payne complained that Mr. Crosley had not yet furnished information as to the station's operations requested and promised when he appeared as a voluntary witness at an informal engineering conference of the commission on Oct. 7, 1936.