

reports, an assessment is made to determine whether he has changed his attitude and is likely to lead a law-abiding life.

When all the reports are received and the community investigation completed, they are analyzed and presented to the Board for consideration. Parole for inmates in provincial institutions is granted or refused on the basis of these reports and investigations. For the inmate in a federal institution there is one more step before the Board makes its decision. He is interviewed by a panel of two or more Board members before his parole eligibility date to clarify or amplify his reasons for requesting parole and other aspects of his case that may have come to light through the reports and investigations.

A person on parole is under the care of a supervisor in one of the district offices of the National Parole Service, an after-care agency worker, or a probation officer. If he violates the conditions of his parole or commits a further offence or misbehaves in any manner, the Board may suspend or revoke his parole and return him to the institution to serve the part of his sentence that was outstanding at the time his parole was granted. If a parolee commits an indictable offence punishable by two years or more his parole is automatically forfeited and he is returned to the institution to serve the unexpired balance of his sentence plus any new term to which he is sentenced for the commission of the new offence.

The Board has been in operation since 1959 and up to the end of December 1974 it had granted 46,981 full paroles. During those 16 years there were 9,611 violations of parole; 3,215 revocations by the Board for misbehaviour or commission of a minor offence and 6,396 forfeits for conviction of an indictable offence. In 1974 the Board granted 1,496 full paroles to inmates in federal institutions and to 1,638 inmates serving sentences in provincial institutions for violation of a federal law. It also granted 760 day paroles to federal inmates and 624 day paroles to provincial inmates. In 1974 there were also 3,413 federal inmates released on mandatory supervision. During the same year there were 233 revocations and 469 forfeitures of mandatory supervision.

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