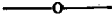


within the discretion of the Court as to whether the sentence imposed shall be of a definite or an indeterminate length. Of the 167 women now confined, approximately one half are serving indeterminate sentences. A sewing shop is operated as a unit of the State Use Industries. Approximately ten acres of garden have been developed by the women for the institutional table (Code 1947 Supp., Art. 27, sec. 761A,-761c).

Expenditures, 1949	\$123,258.05
Appropriation, 1950	161,365.00
Staff: 27.	



DIVISION OF PAROLE AND PROBATION

Chairman: F. Murray Benson, 1951

Hall Hammond, Attorney General
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 Bench of Baltimore City
 Harold E. Donnell, Superintendent of Prisons.

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The Division of Parole and Probation was created as the successor to the Parole Commissioner. The Board of Parole and Probation is charged with responsibility for the administration of parole in Maryland. The Governor, with the consent of the Senate, appoints the Director, for a term of two years, who automatically becomes the Chairman of the Board of Parole and Probation. The Director, the Attorney General, the State Superintendent of Prisons, and the Chief Probation Officer of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City constitute the Board. The last three members serve ex-officio and without pay. It is the Director who has the sole power to recommend persons to the Governor for release on parole, but the Division makes such investigations of applicants for executive clemency as the Governor directs. The Governor has the sole power to pardon. The Director serves also as Administrator of the Inter-State Compact for the reciprocal supervision of parolees and probationers. The Director also controls the releases of prisoners serving indeterminate sentences at the State Reformatory for Women and at the State Reformatory for Males, who have been recommended for his consideration by the Board of Correction. The Division makes available the services of its investigating officers to the Circuit Courts and the Criminal Court of Baltimore City. In addition to the Annapolis office, there are offices located in Baltimore City, Chestertown, Hagerstown and Upper Marlboro (Code 1939, Art. 41, secs. 75-78, 82-86).

The Inter-State Compact places under the jurisdiction of the Administrator, during the parole or probationary period, any person convicted of an offense within the State of Maryland who may thereafter be placed on probation or released on parole to reside in another State. Similarly, the administrator decides whether parolees and probationers from another State may reside in Maryland. The Division is currently carrying about 189 cases under the Inter-State Compact (Code 1939, Art. 41, sec. 89)

Expenditures, 1949	\$124,624.30
Appropriation, 1950	169,485.00
Staff: 38.	