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August of 1947, Paul DeLucia "Ricca," Gioe, and D'Andrea were released from prison. Information surfaced revealing that during the 1946 elections, the Italian population on the west side of Chicago was put in fear of their lives in order to vote for someone who could ultimately affect the release of DeLucia from prison. It was reported that Peter Fosco was that man, and that he took orders from DeLucia from the penitentiary. However, Fosco lost the election, and Paul DeLucia was paroled a year later. While the elections were revived, it was discovered that more than a quarter of a million dollars had been paid to affect the release of DeLucia.

The FBI launched a new investigation into the parole of DeLucia and one of the first people they went after was Peter Fosco. On October 10, 1947, Federal Agents interviewed Peter Fosco. In the interview, he stated that he knew DeLucia, Phil D'Andrea, Charles Gioe, and Anthony Campagna as hoodlums who got their start in the prohibition days, and became very powerful. He admitted he knew them well in the 1920s and had only known of their activities from "What he read in the newspapers." He stated that he had nothing to do with their paroles, that he had given no assistance during the parole proceedings and was not aware of any of the steps taken for their release. He even admitted that he was surprised when he read in the newspapers that they were being released. He denied that the 20th ward was put in any kind of terror during the elections and that the county representatives from other districts who were suspicious of corruption closely supervised the elections. He stated that when he took leadership of the 20th ward, he told his ward leaders that violence was a thing of the past and they should try and win elections on the up and up. He then stated that Paul DeLucia has no political influence with him nor would he accept political orders from him. He added that he was aware that DeLucia had one well financially during his hoodlum days, but he had always considered