Brother Escapes to Tell of Horrors as New Hearing Nears

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Brother Roswell Phillips of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, escaped from New York State in order to reach Philadelphia and prepare for a new hearing. Phillips, a member of a family of ten children, was arrested in 1927 and sentenced to 20 years in prison. His family believed that he had been falsely accused and that he was guilty of no crime. Phillips' discharge from prison was ordered by a jury in 1940, but he remained in prison until his release in 1942. He was held under a new charge of murder, but was released on bond after the new hearing was scheduled.

Phillips' family, led by his brother, Roswell, had been working to get his release for years. They had filed numerous petitions and appeals, but to no avail. The family believed that Phillips had been wrongfully convicted and that he was innocent. They had been holding weekly meetings to support Phillips and to raise awareness of the case. The family was determined to see Phillips released and to clear his name.

Phillips' escape was a significant event for his family and for the community. It was a victory for justice and a testament to the family's perseverance. The family's efforts had paid off, and they were relieved to see Phillips free. The escape was a moment of joy and a symbol of hope for the family and for all those who believed in Phillips' innocence.