

FIRE PROTECTION HISTORY-PART 165: 1921 (AMERICAN ENGINEERING STANDARDS COMMITTEE/SAFETY CODE ON EGRESS COMPONENTS)

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Part of the Report of Executive Committee presented at the NFPA Annual Meeting held in San Francisco in 1921 addressed actions taken by the American Engineering Standards Committee. The following is a transcript of an excerpt from the Report presented by Rudolph Miller:

*“The Association has been elected by the American Engineering Standards Committee as a member of the Fire Protection Group represented in the councils of that body, and has formally accepted sponsorship for **a safety code on Stairways, Fire Escapes and Other Exits**. It has also accepted joint sponsorship with the Bureau of Standards, U. S., for an Electrical Fire and Safety Code, it being understood that the acceptance of such joint sponsorship for such code does not commit the N. F. P. A. to discontinuance of the National Electrical Code (Fire). **The National Electrical Code (Fire) was submitted to the American Engineering Standards Committee, through our Electrical Committee, for registration under its forms as an American standard, and has been formally accepted as such.**”*

Of particular interest in this brief excerpt is the reference to “**a safety code on Stairways, Fire Escapes and Other Exits**” and, of course, also to the reference to the National Electrical Code.

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