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FIRE PROTECTION HISTORY-PART 47: 1912 (THE NBFU STANDING COMMITTEES)

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The Proceedings of the 46th annual meeting of The National Board of Fire Underwriters (NBFU) held in 1912 includes a list of the Standing Committees of the organization and the membership of these Committees.

“STANDING COMMITTEES.

Committee on Finance.

[Committee Members Listed]

Committee on Laws.

[Committee Members Listed]

Committee on Incendiarism and Arson.

J. J. GUILLE, Chairman, New York.

D. J. Burtis, New York.
F. R. Bigelow, St. Paul.

Samuel G. Howe, Providence.
Wm. Chubb, Philadelphia.

Committee on Statistics and Origin of Fires.

CLARENCE E. PORTER, Chairman, Philadelphia.

Charles H. Post, New York.
L. P. Bayard, New York.

W. H. Stevens, Watertown, N. Y.
Bernard Faymonville, San Francisco.

Committee on Fire Prevention.

GEO. W. HOYT, Chairman, New York.

Edw. Milligan, Hartford.
J. A. Kelsey, New York.
C. A. Ludlum, New York.
R. D. Harvey, New York.

H. A. Smith, Hartford.
F. W. Sargeant, Manchester.
J. B. Morton, Philadelphia.
E. T. Campbell, St. Louis.

Committee on Lighting, Heating and Patents.

C. F. SHALLCROSS, Chairman, New York.

Geo. W. Burchell, New York.
J. F. Hastings, New York.
Chas. H. Yarnall, Philadelphia.

A. H. Wray, New York.
E. J. Haynes, Newark, N. J.
Frederick C. Moore, Hartford.

Committee on Construction of Buildings.

C. G. SMITH, Chairman, New York.

A. G. McIlwaine, Jr., Hartford.
N. S. Bartow, New York.
E. T. Cairns, New York.

J. H. Burger, New York.
J. H. Kelly, New York.
E. W. West, Glen Falls, N.Y.

Committee on Adjustments.

[Committee members listed]

Committee on Clauses and Forms.

[Committee members listed]

Committee on Membership.”

[Committee members listed]

The names of the members of the NBFU Standing Committees are unfamiliar and are of little interest, except from a historical standpoint. What is of interest, however, are the cities that the committee members are from. Like the NBFU Executive Committee, the members of the Standing Committees are predominantly from New York, the New England states and Philadelphia.

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