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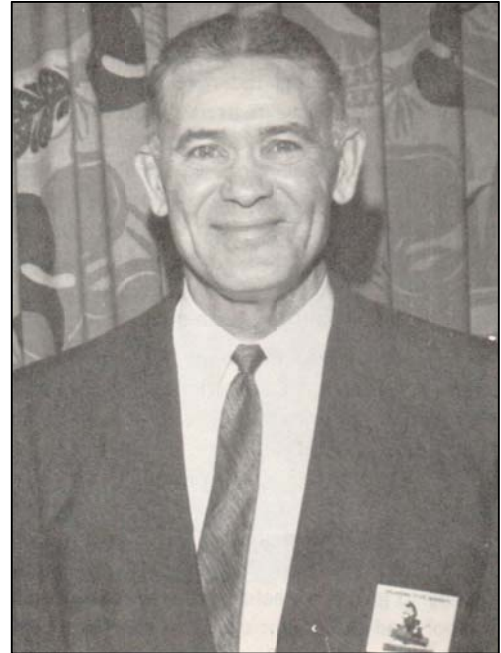
Raymond J. "R.J." Douglas

Firemanship Educator

Stillwater, Oklahoma

Born: 1902

Died: January, 1962



Raymond J. Douglas first became involved in the fire service when he became chief of the newly-organized Morefield, WV volunteer fire department, where he taught and coached football at the local high school. As his interest and knowledge grew, he became an instructor for the West Virginia fire schools.

In 1937 Douglas became an instructor at the Oklahoma A&M Department of Firemanship Training in Stillwater, OK. His research into the chemistry of fire suppression brought him national recognition. He traveled widely to promote fire service training. As an administrator at Oklahoma A&M, he was responsible for the academic department, the state fire service training, and the publication and distribution of IFSTA training materials.