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Inductee #26

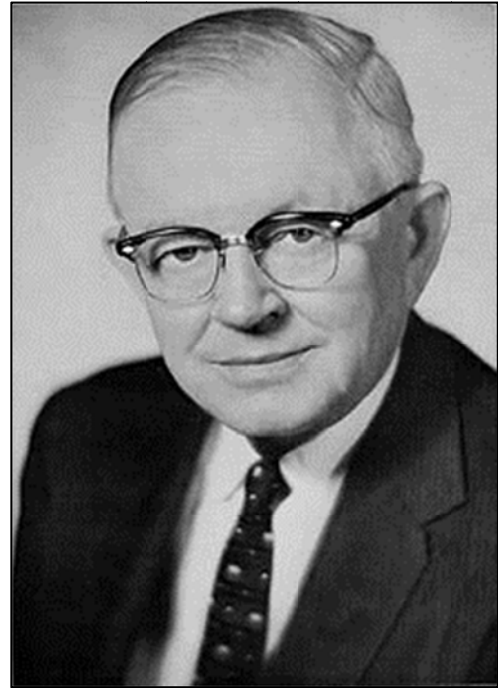
J. Millard Tawes

Governor of Maryland

Crisfield, Maryland

Born: April 8, 1894

Died: June 25, 1979



J. Millard Tawes was a businessman on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, and a member of the Crisfield Fire Department. He served as Governor of Maryland, 1959-1967; he also served as state treasurer, comptroller of the treasury, and Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources. He was the president of the Maryland State Firemen's Association in 1936-37, and continued to be committed to the fire service in Maryland throughout his life.

Governor Tawes was the catalyst for the annual Maryland Governor's Fire Prevention Conference, which continues to this day as the Mid-Atlantic Life Safety Conference. The event was an outgrowth of the 1947 President's Conference on Fire Prevention.