

#33 Dr. Amos "Bud" Little Born: 1916

Amos "Bud" Little became involved in the politics" of skiing serving the sport for many years.

Amos "Bud" Little was born in Lincoln, Massachusetts, on November 7, 1916. Bud first began skiing during the 1931-33 season when he and his brother received skis as a Christmas gift. Since the Littles lived in Boston, they, as youngsters, began to use the ski trains to get to the slopes of Vermont and New Hampshire.

Bud went to school at the Vermont Academy and skied for that school's ski team in 1935. After graduating from the Academy, Bud went on to Dartmouth College where he majored in medicine and skied for the very powerful Dartmouth Ski Team in 1936, 1937, 1938, and 1939. Bud then went to Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in Baltimore, where he received his M.D. in 1942.

World War II was in its early stages, and Little joined the military in 1943. Stationed in the Pacific in a job he considered non-essential, Bud volunteered for a relatively new field called the Air Rescue Service in a division that involved mountain rescue. He was stationed in Montana.

After the war, Bud decided that he did not want to live in the East and decided to stay in Helena, Montana, where he helped found the

Great Falls Ski Club and became involved in the "politics" of the Northern Rocky Mountain Ski Association, serving as president of the division in 1949, 1950, and 1951. He served as chairman of the National Ski Association's National Alpine Championships at Whitefish, Montana, in 1949 and began to get involved with the National Ski Association.

Bud was selected as a member of the United States Olympic Ski Games Committee in 1952, 1956, 1960, 1964, and 1968. Howard was the manager of the United States Olympic Alpine Ski Team in 1960, the U.S. Ski Team (F.I.S.) at Chamonix in 1962, and he was the manager of the U.S. F.I.S. Team in 1967.

Little served as treasurer of the United States Ski Association from 1960 through 1966, and he was the chairman

of the Competitions Committee of the United States Ski Association from 1960 through 1967. Little was a delegate to the National Ski Association Conventions from 1948 through 1963. In 1960, he began serving as technical delegate to the Federation International de Ski, attending all of the F. I.S. Congresses, later serving as an F. I.S. vice- president.

Bud was awarded the Julius Blegen Award, the Bass Award, and the American Ski Trophy in 1960. These are awarded for outstanding contributions to the sport of skiing. Amos R. Little was elected to the U.S. National Ski Hall of Fame in 1965.



1950 USA Ski Team at F.I.S. Championships – Aspen Dr. Amos "Bud" Little – Second from left