



## **CASPER OIMOEN**

**1906** Born in Norway, immigrated to the U.S. in 1923, and settled in Minot, ND. His career spanned 19 jumping seasons.

Late 20's -30's, he entered over 200 tournaments and won over 95% of them. He was a graceful ski jumper as well as powerful. The most enviable record of 14 National Divisional or State Championships, six new hill records and being named to the "All American Ski Team" in a three year period has never been equaled.

**1928** Selected for the U.S. Olympic Ski Team but was informed that his American citizenship papers were invalid because of a misspelled name of "Simoen" on his paperwork. Even President Calvin Coolidge tried to intervene but was too late to allow Casper to compete while at the top of his career.

**1930, 1931, 1934** Won in the National Ski Association Tournament

**1932** Member of the U.S. Olympic Ski Team in Lake Placid, NY, placing 5<sup>th</sup> in Special Jumping.

**1936** Named Captain of the U.S. Olympic Ski Team, placing 13<sup>th</sup> of 80 competitors in Special Jumping.

**1963** Elected to the National Ski Hall of Fame in Ishpeming, MI.

**1964** Retired from the contracting business and retired to Ashland, OR.