

# BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

BOWLING GREEN, OHIO

## FOOTBALL PROSPECTUS

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FRANCIS THE COACH

Robert (Bob) Francis made his debut in college coaching this fall after 14 years at Lincoln High School, where his teams won 275 victories in 12 years. They added 2,200 points against 500 for opponents.

The 1934 team won the state championship, 1935 and 1936. In 1937 the team won the state championship over Ohio State University. The 1938 team won the state championship over Ohio State University. The 1939 team won the state championship over Ohio State University.

Such a record is a tribute to his coaching and to the players who played at Lincoln.

Whitaker was born in Lincoln, N.Y., on July 11, 1898. He was what he is now, a coach at Miami University, where he coached on the basketball team in 1921-22, 1923-24, and 1925-26. He was in the dash and relay teams in 1921-22 and 1923-24. He was released from Miami in 1926 to coach at Ohio State University for one year.

He has taken graduate work at Ohio State University and Bowling Green State University and has attended coaching schools at Northwestern, Ohio State, Toledo, and Purdue.

Born in Greenville, N.Y., 37 years ago, he attended high school at Lorain and Normal. After school hours he worked in his father's store and in college he fired furnaces and waited table. During the summer he worked in a field and worked for the State Highway Department. He is a member of the Alpha Psi Omega Fraternity.

Whitaker is married and has two children, Jean, 10, and Jean, 8. His wife is the former Genevieve M. Smith of Columbus. She weighs 120 pounds (she is 5 feet 10 inches tall), has blue eyes, and blonde hair. He is proud about his profession because he feels that the credit he takes in helping to build the state's basketball high school program is well repaid. He has coached for 12 years in the state high schools.

The coach's activities include sailing, fishing, the International Regatta at Put-in-Bay in 1940, ice skating, and skiing. (he takes trips to Lake Umbagog and Montreal during the winter)

Whitaker coached at Miami University, who was promoted to athletic director after six years of football coaching.

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MEMBERS OF THE ATHLETIC BOARD

Prof. D. J. Crowley, Chairman  
 Prof. J. W. Carmichael  
 Prof. W. E. Steller  
 Prof. P. F. Muse

OFFICIALS FOR HOME GAMES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Referee</u>	<u>Umpire</u>	<u>Linesman</u>
Sept. 27	Wooster	Rettig	Oldfather	McKee
Oct. 25	Heidelberg	Rettig	Mallory	Longley
Nov. 15	Findlay	Rettig	Mallory	Kies
Nov. 20	Wayne	(undecided when this was compiled)		

ADMISSION PRICES

High School Students -----\$0.25  
 General admission ----- 0.85  
 Reserved seats ----- 1.10

All applications for tickets should be  
 mailed to: Prof. Paul F. Muse  
 Bowling Green State University  
 Bowling Green, Ohio

SEATING FACILITIES

Style ----- Stadium, bleacher type  
 Material ----- Concrete  
 Capacity ----- 3154  
 Age----- 4 years

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

News Bureau Office ----- 2631  
 Press box in stadium ----- 5661  
 Athletic office----- 5661  
 Sentinel-Tribune ----- 2341  
 Wood County Republican ----- 5721  
 Long distance operator----- 0

College colors ----- Orange and Brown  
 Athletic nickname ----- Falcons  
 College enrollment ----- 1500

## MEET THE COACH

Robert H. (Bob) Whittaker is making his debut in college coaching this fall after 11 years at Sandusky High School, where his teams won 87, lost 20, and tied 2. They piled up 2625 points against 639 for opponents.

The Whittaker-coached elevens from 1932 to 1936 won 38 consecutive victories -- five more than amassed at Massillon High School by teams directed by Paul Brown, new Ohio State University coach. The 1935 team scored 455 points to 19 for its opponents. Whittaker's teams of 1931, 1933, 1934, 1935, and 1938 were ~~defeated~~ *undefeated*.

Such Ohio State grid stars as Maag, Thom, and Bruckner were developed at Sandusky.

Whittaker uses mostly a single wing style, entirely different from what he learned as a halfback at Miami University, where he played on the same team with Paul Brown. Whittaker, who also was in the dashes and threw the javelin to a college record, was graduated from Miami in 1929. He was assistant football coach at Sandusky for one year before starting his 11-year reign there.

He has taken graduate work at Ohio State University and Bowling Green State University and has attended coaching schools at Northwestern, Ohio State, Toledo, and Purdue.

Born in Greenville, O., 37 years ago, he attended high school at Lorain and Norwalk. After school hours he worked in his father's store and in college he fired furnaces and waited table. During the summers he carried ice and worked for the State Highway Department. He is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

Whittaker is married and has two daughters, Jean, 10, and Joan, 8. His wife is the former Genevieve Merkle of Sandusky. The coach weighs 164 (same as when he was in high school), has brown hair, and blue eyes. He is gloomy about grid prospects despite the fact that the draft has taken no eligible football player. However, high-paying defense jobs robbed him of three who would have been in the starting lineup.

The coach's hobbies include sailboating (he won the Inter-Lake Regatta at Put-in-Bay in 1940), ice skating, and skiing. (he takes trips to Lake Placid and Montreal during the winter)

Whittaker succeeds Harry Ockerman, who was promoted to athletic director after six years as head football coach.

The Falcon roster includes 11 lettermen. There are 38 on the squad -- 23 sophomores "from the best freshman squad we ever had," 8 juniors, and 7 seniors. The starting lineup averages 185 ~~points~~ *pounds* in the line and 167 in the backfield.

COACHING STAFF

Athletic Director ----- Harry Ockerman, Michigan State Normal College  
 Head Football Coach----- Robert H. Whittaker, Miami University  
 Assistant Coach----- M. Budd Cox, Ohio State University  
 Assistant Coach----- George Muellich, Michigan State Normal College  
 Freshman Coach----- Fred Marsh, Bowling Green State University  
 Assistant Freshman Coach----- Ted Grignon, Bowling Green State University  
 Team Physician----- Dr. W. H. Brown, Denison and Ohio State  
 Trainer----- Joseph Glander, Ohio University

1941 SCHEDULE

1940 RESULTS

Sept. 27 --	Wooster *	B. G. - 0	Wittenberg - 14
Oct. 3 --	At Akron (night)	B. G. - 14	Findlay - 7
Oct. 11 --	At Miami	B. G. - 15	Mich. Normal 0
Oct. 18 --	At Michigan Normal	B. G. - 7	Capital - 7
Oct. 25 --	Heidelberg * (Homecoming)	B. G. - 0	Kent State - 13
Nov. 1 --	At Kent State *	B. G. - 26	Wooster - 14
Nov. 8 --	At Wittenberg *	B. G. - 0	E.Ky. Teachers 48
Nov. 15 --	Findlay *	B. G. - 0	Wayne - 19
Nov. 20 --	Wayne University		

Won 3  
 Lost 4  
 Tied 1

\* denotes Ohio Conference games

All home games start at 2 p.m., except the Wayne game, which is at 10:30 a.m. Thanksgiving day.

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 28  
 27  
 67  
 2

33  
 29  
 2

BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY'S 1941 FOOTBALL ROSTER

<u>Name</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Wt.</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Home</u>
Baldwin, George	21	G.	18	Soph.	163	5'8½"	W. Chester, Pa.
Barnes, Rolland	31	G.	19	Soph.	156	5'5"	Swanton
Becher, Paul *	15	E.	20	Sr.	191	6'1"	Rockford
Bertsch, Bob		C.	20	Soph.	166	5'9"	Sandusky
Bordner, Wayne	18	E.	19	Soph.	185	6'2"	Tiffin
Buckenmyer, Charles *	28	E.	19	Jr.	170	6'	Swanton
Carter, George	22	G.	20	Soph.	176	5'11"	Oak Harbor
Croop, Bill	4	T.	21	Soph.	234	6'2"	Massillon
Eckert, Bob	2	G.	27	Jr.	197	5'9½"	Bowling Green
Foster, Bob	13	Back	19	Soph.	160	5'11"	Massillon
Franks, Dick		E.	19	Soph.	178	6'1"	West Salem
Grissetti, Charles	17	G.	19	Soph.	150	5'8"	Rochester, Pa.
Harris, Don	30	G.	19	Soph.	171	5'9"	Toledo
Huffman, Ed.	20	E.	21	Soph.	172	5'11"	Lexington, Ky.
Innat, Emil *	19	T.	21	Sr.	205	6'	Lakeside
Isel, Ross	25	G.	20	Soph.	166	5'8"	Toledo
Johnson, Dewey *	34	Back	22	Sr.	181	6'1"	Edgerton
Krotzer, Paul	27	C.	20	Soph.	205	6'2"	Gibsonburg
Kunch, Dimitri		Back	21	Sr.	155	5'6"	Lorain
Lowry, Dick	5	Back	20	Soph.	164	5'10½"	Leipsic
Malone, Dick		G.	20	Soph.	153	5'6"	Sandusky
Marazon, Dan	9	Back	19	Soph.	156	5'8"	Toledo
Martin, Dave	3	G.	18	Soph.	184	5'11"	West Salem
Mehlow, Harold *	26	E.	21	Sr.	180	6'1"	Oak Harbor
Parmenter, Pete	12	T.	20	Soph.	188	5'11"	Fostoria
Pollock, Ward	29	Back	19	Soph.	158	5'9"	Chester, Pa.
Quesinberry, Ralph *	6	C.	22	Jr.	190	5'10"	Tiffin
Randolph, Steve *	16	T.	21	Jr.	197	6'1½"	Barberton
Sak, Chester	24	E.	20	Soph.	197	6'1½"	Brighton, Mich.
Schindler, Albert	8	T.	19	Soph.	185	6'1"	Lorain
Sielschott, Lowell *	32	Back	20	Jr.	167	5'10"	Lina
Smith, Boyd	11	G.	20	Jr.	172	5'10"	Gibsonburg
Tabler, John	10	Back	19	Soph.	200	6'	Liberty Center
Tabler, Tom *	14	C.	20	Sr.	190	5'11"	Liberty Center
Uzak, Frank *	23	Back	21	Jr.	180	5'8"	Lorain
Vucovich, George	33	E.	19	Soph.	185	6'3"	Lina
Wellner, Ed (Capt) *	7	Back	22	Sr.	150	5'10½"	River Rouge, Mich.
Yoder, Stan	1	Back	22	Jr.	196	6'1"	Bowling Green

\* denotes lettermen NOTE--Numbers given are for both orange and brown jerseys.