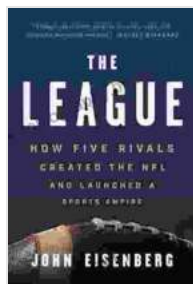


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The National Football League (NFL) is one of the most popular and successful sports leagues in the world. It is a multi-billion dollar industry that employs thousands of people and generates billions of dollars in revenue. But how did the NFL come to be?

The NFL was founded in 1920 by five men: Jim Thorpe, Fritz Pollard, Amos Alonzo Stagg, Pop Warner, and Walter Camp. These five men were all

pioneers in the early days of football, and they each played a vital role in the development of the game.

Jim Thorpe was a Native American athlete who was considered to be one of the greatest all-around athletes of all time. He played football, baseball, basketball, and track and field. He was also an Olympic gold medalist.

Fritz Pollard was the first African American to play in the NFL. He was a running back and a defensive back for the Akron Pros. He was also a coach and a general manager.

Amos Alonzo Stagg was a football coach who is considered to be one of the greatest coaches of all time. He coached at the University of Chicago for 41 years, and he won seven national championships.

Pop Warner was a football coach who is considered to be one of the most innovative coaches of all time. He coached at the University of Pittsburgh, the Carlisle Indian School, and the Stanford University. He developed many of the offensive and defensive strategies that are still used in football today.

Walter Camp was a football player and coach who is considered to be the "Father of American Football." He was the captain of the Yale University football team, and he helped to develop the rules of the game.

These five men were all very different, but they shared a common goal: to promote the game of football. They worked together to create the NFL, and they laid the foundation for the league's success.

The NFL has come a long way since its humble beginnings. It is now a global sport that is enjoyed by millions of people. And it all started with five

rivals who had a dream.

## **The Legacy of the Five Rivals**

The five rivals who founded the NFL left a lasting legacy on the game. They helped to create a sport that is now enjoyed by millions of people around the world. They also helped to pave the way for other sports leagues, such as the NBA and the MLB.

The five rivals were all inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame. They are remembered as pioneers of the game, and their contributions will never be forgotten.

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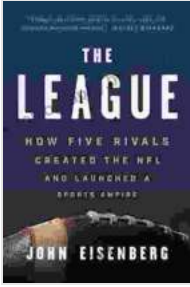
The NFL is the most popular sport in the United States, and it is also one of the most popular sports in the world. The NFL has a huge fan base, and it is a major cultural phenomenon.

The NFL is a complex and ever-changing sport. But one thing that has never changed is the passion of the fans. The NFL is a sport that brings people together, and it is a sport that will continue to be enjoyed for many years to come.

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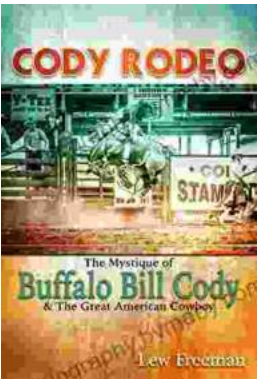


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