
Green Bay Packers (2-1) 43, Evansville Giants (2-2) 6

Sunday November 6th 1921 (at Green Bay)

PACKERS FORWARD PASS WAY TO WIN OVER EVANSVILLE

*Hoosier State Giants Are
Defeated 43 to 6; Aerial
Attack Too Much for Foe*

GAME RECAP (GREEN BAY PRESS-GAZETTE)

(GREEN BAY) - The Packers came back with a vengeance Sunday afternoon at Hagemeister park, and they administered a stinging 43 to 6 trimming to the Evansville Giants in an American Professional Football league game before the smallest crowd of the season. The visitors were big enough and they had a lot of scrap but they were unable to put a crimp in the Packers' aerial attack. Hayes, De Moe, Malone and Berry pulled off many a pretty play on the long throws from Lambeau who was shooting the oval like a bullet, and with deadly accuracy.

SHOW MUCH IMPROVEMENT

The Packers looked like a different team. The backs worked together like a machine and the man carrying the ball was given splendid interference. The teamwork, which has been sadly missing in the past games, was very much in evidence in the Evansville fracas and it paved the way for a lopsided victory. The line was opening holes big enough to drive a team of mules through. Coach Hoeffel gave every man on the squad a chance in action and they all came through with bells on. Coughlin covered himself with glory and when the big tackle was taken out in the final quarter, the spectators gave him a warm hand. Nate Abrams cut all sorts of fancy capers and his one 40 yard dash for a touchdown was a pretty piece of work. De Moe performed nicely at end and he scored the Packers' first touchdown.

MURRAY WENT WELL

Jab Murray, as usual, was all over the field. The Marinette's "pepper box" seems to get better every game. Hayes, Malone and Berry, the trio of former Notre Dame stars, piled up much yardage for the Packers and they smothered well on the defense. Cub Buck was a whole team in himself while Milt Wilson and Carey flanked the center in good style. Schmael plunged through for many a gain. The visitors had their share of stars. O'Neill and Zellers, the visiting halfbacks, were in the thick of the fray every minute, while Spiegel, the big tackle, spilled up many a Packer play. Lindsey, the Evansville star and quarterback, did not get much of a shine to shine because the Packers had him covered like a tent.

VISITORS LOOKED BIG

It was a few minutes after two when referee Murphy called the teams in action. The visitors were big rangy chaps and their red sweaters made them tower up like giants. The Packers won the toss and chose to kick off to the visitors who defended the west goal. Murray booted to Zellers, who was downed on his 20 yard line. The invaders made a first down after three line plunges by pushing a smashing formation over the left side of the Packer line. They followed this up with another first down. The Packers found themselves and held for three downs. Fausch punted to Lambeau who made a dandy return.

MALONE CUTS HIS EYE

The Packer machine swung into action and piled up considerable yardage in about a half dozen plays the invaders being smeared aplenty in these rushes. With the oval on Evansville's 35 yard line, Lambeau heaved a forward to Malone who lost the oval when he was dropped hard by O'Neill. The Bay halfback cut his eye badly but Doc McNevins bandaged it up and he stayed in the game. Two other passes went astray and Evansville took the ball on downs. The visitors were turned back twice by Coughlin and then Lindsey attempted a forward pass. The throw was partly blocked and De Moe, grabbing it out of the air squirmed his way for 25 yards and a touchdown. Coughlin bowled over about steen Giants while making interference for the end. Lambeau kicked the goal.

HAYES CATCHING FORWARD

The Packers kicked off. Murray booted to Zellers who came back a chalk mark before he was stopped. The Hoosiers couldn't gain much and they punted to Lambeau in midfield. Three plays moved up from the yard sticks a notch and then from a fake kick formation. Lambeau hurled a forward pass into Malone's waiting arms. He was downed on Evansville's 10 yard line. Schmael plunged through the line for 9

yards. Twice the visitors held tight. Time was called for the quarter. On the first play in the second quarter, Berry plunged over tackle for a touchdown. Lambeau missed the goal. The Packers kicked off. The onside kick fozzled and the Packers booted off again, being set back 5 yards. Lindsay was downed on his 35 yard mark. The visitors bumped up against a stone wall and after three plays, Fausch booted to Lambeau who was dropped by Bondurant on the 35 yard mark.

CATCHES FORWARD PASS

Three rushes outside of tackle gave the Packers a first down. De Moe made a rattling good catch of a forward pass and carried ball to Evansville's 10 yard mark. The visitors fighting in the shadow of their goal posts held for downs and secured the pigskin. Fausch's attempt to punt out of danger was blocked; it was the Packers' ball on Evansville's 12 yard mark. Berry made a 4 yard gain and Schmael got over the rest of the distance for another touchdown. Lambeau missed the goal kick. The Packers again kicked off. The Evansville tribe had trouble piling up yardage on straight football they attempted to open up with an aerial attack. Malone cut this short by intercepting a pass on the visitors' 35 yard line. Evansville returned the favor after two scrimmages. Fausch grabbing the pigskin but they lost the ball a minute later when Jab Murray got his mitts on the ball.

LAMBEAU KICKS FIELD GOAL

Evansville was pushed back to their 10 yard line and it looked like another touchdown. A costly fumble enabled the Giants to stave off a score temporarily. Fausch dropped back for a kick. His attempt was sky high but only went about 25 yards. Malone signaled for a free catch and Lambeau completed the play with a nifty placekick. The ball sailed through the sticks for another 3 points. Once more the Packers kicked off. The invaders let loose and got away for three good gains before time was called for the half. The ball was in Evansville's possession in midfield. Before the third quarter started, Coach Hoeffel shook up his lineup. Abrams and Wheeler were on the ends and Tubby Howard went in at fullback. Other changes were made frequently during the closing periods. Proceedings in the second half started off with the Packers kicking off to Evansville. The invaders resorted to open football with but little advantage. After several scrimmages, the Packers nipped a forward pass and marched down the field. The procession ended, however, when Evansville held for downs on its 20 yard mark. Once more, the Giants tried the forward passing game and the ball changed hands twice on intercepted passes with little advantage to either side.

HOWARD PLUNGES OVER

The Packers recovered the ball in midfield and Berry shot around end like a flash. Bondurant caught him from behind on Evansville's 25 yard line. Howard busted through for a first down and in three more plays, the yard sticks were moved up again. With first down goal to go, Howard waded through the center for 5 yards and a touchdown. Lambeau kicked the goal. Evansville received again and they punted after downs. Lambeau was dropped on his 35 yard line. After three downs, the Packers punted, Abrams dumping Lindsay on Evansville's 30 yard marker. The visitors were soon forced to punt and they followed this up by grabbing a forward pass in midfield. Here Nate Abrams busted into the limelight. The invaders attempted a double pass forward. Abrams caught the oval and dashed down the field for a touchdown for the diminutive wingman and he spilled 'em right and left. Lambeau added another point by a goal kick. Time was up for the quarter.

GIANTS MAKE TOUCHDOWN

Evansville kicked off and the Packers rushed the ball back to midfield where Lambeau fell short in an attempted field goal. It was the Giants' ball on their 25 yard line. At this stage of the game, the Hoosiers showed signs of life. O'Neill and Zellers got through for good gains and in about four plays they had rushed the ball to midfield. Here they were forced to punt and it was the Packers' ball on their own 20 yard line. Lambeau immediately punted out of danger. Lindsay was dropped in midfield. The Giants attempted a shoestring play, Zellers crouching off to one side of the field. The Packers spotted him, but Lindsay went through with the play. Getting the ball from

Invaders Crumble Before Green Bay's Machine Like Play; Long Runs Are Feature of Contest.

SUNDAY'S RESULTS.

Packers, 43; Evansville, 6.
Rock Island, 14; Marines, 3.
Cardinals, 7; Hammond, 0.
Staleys, 20; Detroit, 9.
Racine, 35; Hammond, A. C., 0.
Elgin, 19; Beloit, 0.

LINEUP OF TEAMS

The teams lined up as follows:

Packers, (43)	(6) Evansville
De Moe, l. e.	l. e. Goldsmith
Coughlin, l. t.	l. t. McDonald
Carey, l. g.	l. g. Fishman
Murray, c.	c. Windbiel
Wilson, r. g.	r. g. Granjest
Buck, r. t.	r. t. Spiegel
Hayes, r. e.	r. e. Bondurant
Lambeau, q. b.	q. b. Lindsay
Berry, l. h. b.	l. h. b. O'Neill
Malone, r. h. b.	r. h. b. Zellers
Schmael, f. b.	f. b. Fausch

Referee, Murphy; umpire, Coffeen; head linesman, Gavin; timers, Abrams and Hasse. Time of periods, 15 minutes. Linesmen, Bader and Maxon. Substitutions, Evansville, Jackson for McDonald, Rosenberger for Spiegel, Lensing for Fishman, Mullen for O'Neill. Packers, Wheeler for Hayes, Martell for Wheeler, Abrams for De Moe, Powers for Coughlin, M. Zoll for Carey, Cook for Wilson, Klaus for Murray, Howard for Schmael, McLean for Howard, Ladrow for Malone. Touchdowns, Zellers, De Moe, Berry, Schmael, Howard, Abrams, Lambeau. Goals from touchdown, Lambeau, 4. Goals missed, Lambeau 2, Zellers 1.

Score by periods:

Packers	7	15	14	7—43
Evansville	0	0	0	6—6

center, the Evansville quarterback relayed to O'Neill who tossed it 30 yards down the field. Zellers was covered by three Packer players but they let him slip by. He dashed in between them grabbed the ball and beat it 10 yards for a touchdown. Zellers missed the goal. Evansville kicked off. Lambeau grabbed Fausch's boot and ran it back close to midfield. He knocked a pair of Giants cold while en route. The ball see-sawed back and forth with the Packers gradually gaining ground.

LAMBEAU MAKES TOUCHDOWN

Evansville regained the ball on the 30 yard line. Lindsay tried another forward pass. Powers intercepted the ball and advanced ten yards before he was halted. Toody McLean went through for a first down, Cook making a nice hole. After two line plunges, Lambeau running from a kick formation skirted around right end for a touchdown. He kicked the goal. There were but two minutes to play. The Packers kicked off. There was no further scoring despite the fact that the visitors were hurling pass after pass in a futile attempt to get away for a score.

EVANSVILLE	-	0	0	0	6	-	6
GREEN BAY	-	7	15	14	7	-	43

SCORING

1st - GB - Billy DeMoe, 25-yard interception return (Curly Lambeau kick) GREEN BAY 7-0

2nd - GB - Norm Barry, 1-yard run (Lambeau kick failed) GREEN BAY 13-0

2nd - GB - Art Schmael, 8-yard run (Lambeau kick failed) GREEN BAY 19-0

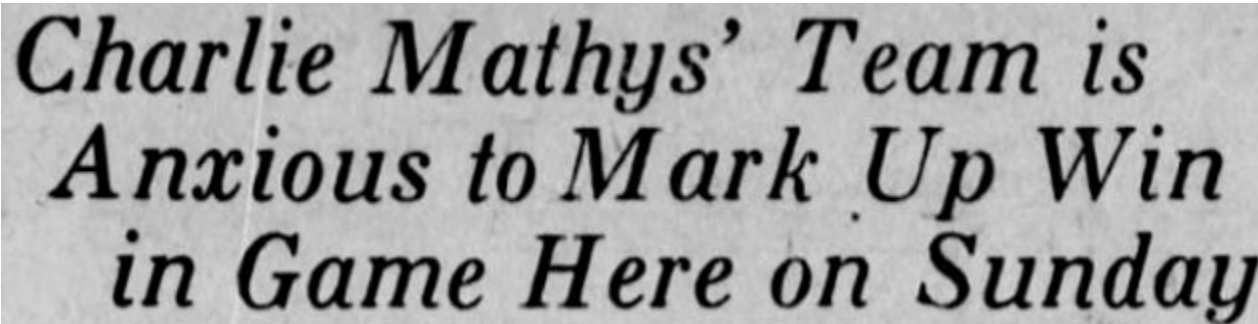
2nd - GB - Lambeau field goal GREEN BAY 22-0

3rd - GB - Tubby Howard, 5-yard run (Lambeau kick) GREEN BAY 29-0

3rd - GB - Nate Abrams, 40-yard interception return (Lambeau kick) GREEN BAY 36-0

4th - EVAN - Jerry Zellers, 40-yard pass from Menz Lindsey (Zellers kick failed) GREEN BAY 36-6

4th - GB - Lambeau run (Lambeau kick) GREEN BAY 43-6



*Charlie Mathys' Team is
Anxious to Mark Up Win
in Game Here on Sunday*

WATCHING THE PARADE

NOV 7 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - That's better. The Packers looked good. They worked like a well oiled machine. The man with the ball had plenty of assistance. The Giants looked bit enough but they couldn't get started. Lindsay, the Evansville star, did mark up a single yard gaining dash...Coughlin gave a great exhibition of football. The former Notre Dame star was a stone wall on the line...Towards the close of the game, Coach Hoeffel has used up every man in the squad and they all showed plenty of fight...The Packers only punted three times during the game. Lambeau's team was generally able to gain whenever a few yards were needed...The visitor's lone touchdown came like a bolt out of a clear sky. Nobody was expecting them to get within a mile of the Packers' goal line...When Zellers grabbed the old pigskin on the pass from O'Neill, there were three Packers standing within an arm's length of him. It was a big surprise...De Moe and Hayes showed a lot of class on the wing position. They were in fast on every play and usually got the runner before he even got across the scrimmage line...Abrams' run for a touchdown gave the spectators quite a thrill. When he made a leaping jump for the ball, it seemed as if he was surrounded by invaders but he squeeze past them all...Nate can partly thank Murray for his touchdown. "Jabber" breezed ahead of Abrams during the jaunt down the field, spilling opponents right and left for about 35 yards. It was pretty work...After Evansville had scored, the Packers were fighting mad. Fausch kicked out to Lambeau and the Bay leader smashed his way back to the middle of the field. Two Giants took the count trying to stop him...The crowd was the smallest of the season. Bare gaps of seats were visible in both grandstands while the bleachers were not overcrowded. It cost the management a nice pile of cash to foot the expenses after the game was over.

MATHYS WILL LEAD HAMMOND TEAM AGAINST PACKERS

NOV 8 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Charlie Mathys, one of the greatest football players ever developed in this city, will lead the Hammond team against the Green Bay Packers in the American Professional League game which will be played Sunday afternoon at Hagemeister park. Mathys, in his college days at Indiana, was rated as one of the best quarterbacks in Western Conference football circles. He was named on several All Western teams. Mathys has an educated two with which he specialized in drop kicking and he can heave a forward pass like a baseball...PACKERS WANTED MATHYS: The Packers were after Mathys before the season opened. While he was playing ball with the Lynchmen in the Lake Shore league, an effort was made to get him to stay here during the fall. He was right on the verge of accepting terms when business connections forced him to pass up the offer. But Mathys isn't the only star on the Hammond team. Doc King, who manages the squad, has gathered together a collection of former collegians, all of whom are famous on the chalk marked

field...ALL AMERICAN STAR: Bingo King, Hammond's fullback, was chosen by Walter Camp for his All American team while at Harvard. Risley, tackle, captained Indiana last year; Depler was a star at Notre Dame; Knopp played with Illinois, while Usher, Williams and Tomlin were all stars in their college days. The Packer squad will resume their practice stunts on Thursday. All the big fellows will be here and Coach Hoeffel will attempt to continue to improve his gridiron machine. No changes are contemplated in the lineup. All of the veterans came out of the Evansville game in fairly good shape and they will be ready for the whistle in Sunday's game.

CAL'S COMMENTS

NOV 8 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Hammond Professional led by Charlie Mathys, a Green Bay product, will face the Packers at Green Bay Sunday. This Hammond aggregation is rated as one of the leading professional teams in the country.

PACKERS TO SEE FOOTBALL PICTURE

NOV 8 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The Green Bay Packers' football squad will be among the first to pass judgment on the gridiron contest which climaxes the action in Charles Ray's film, "Two Minutes to Go", which opens at the Strand Tuesday for a three day run. Captain Curley Lambeau accepted an invitation in behalf of his men to attend the performance Tuesday night. Thirty seats have been reserved. Members of the squad out of the city will attend Thursday night. According to reports from Milwaukee where the picture has just been shown, Charles Ray features a real football game with well known athletes in the lineup. Mary Anderson, who will be in the city in person November 20 and 21 with another picture in which she stars, plays opposite Ray in the film opening Tuesday.

"BEAT THE PACKERS" THE SLOGAN OF HAMMOND TEAM

NOV 9 (Hammond-Green Bay Press-Gazette) - "Let's get Green Bay". That's the slogan of the Hammond Pros who are practicing here daily in preparation for their game with the Packers, champions of Wisconsin, at Green Bay on Sunday. The 7 to 0 reversal at the hands of the Chicago Cardinals last Sunday didn't set very well on the Hammond team and they are hoping to take revenge on the Green Bay team this weekend. Hammond came out of the Cardinal game in pretty good shape. A couple of regulars were bruised up a bit but they will be ready for action on Sunday. Doc Young, who manages the squad, is hunting around for some new players who will be carried on the extra list. However, there will be no change in the regular lineup which will be as follows: i.e., Williams; l.t., Risely; l.g., Tomlin; c. Depler; e.g., Oltz; r.t., Usher; r.e., Mathys; l.h.b., Hess; r.h.b., Knopp; f.b., King. The Hammond team will arrive in Green Bay Saturday night so as to get a good rest before the contest on Sunday. A few local fans will accompany the squad to the Badger city...PACKERS RESUME PRACTICE: The Packer squad will resume their practice stunts Thursday morning. Coughlin, Hayes and Malone will arrive from Chicago; Tubby Howard will come in from Mondovi; Jab Murray and Buff Wagner will be down from Marinette while Cub Buck will blow in from Appleton. Coach Hoeffel plans three days of hard work with two practice each day. This should put the squad right on edge for the fracas with the much famed Hammond team. Tickets are now on sale at the usual places about town. Interest in the game is increasing and the appearance of Charlie Mathys in action against the Packers should pack 'em in at the gate.

CAL'S COMMENTS

NOV 9 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - The fur should fly in Chicago Sunday when the Decatur Staleys and Rock Island Independents get together in a game that will go a long way towards deciding the professional championship of the middle west. Football fans, who saw Flanigan's tribe in action against the Packers, think the Starchmakers are going to have their hands full and a little bit more besides.

PLAN BOOSTER GAME FOR GREEN BAY PACKERS SUNDAY

NOV 10 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Sunday will be the Green Bay Packers' "Booster Game" at Hagemeister park, and with the crack Hammond Professionals, led by Charlie Mathys, a Green Bay boy, as the opposing team, the attraction is good enough to draw the biggest crowd of the season. A committee of booster, headed by Art Masse, George De Lair, and Ed Masse, have started a ticket selling campaign and they are going to canvas every business plant in the city in an attempt to dispose of the pasteboards for Sunday's contest...MASSE HAS HIS SAY: Art Masse, who is acting as the spokesman for the

HAMMOND TEAM HAS PLUNGING FULLBACK WHO IS GRID STAR



"Bingo" King.

Not so many years ago, Walter Camp picked an All-American team and he chose for the fullback position, a Harvard footballer by the name of King. This same King is still rushing the pigskin and, Sunday, he will be seen in action with Hammond against the Green Bay Packers at Hagemeister park.

King is a line plunger extraordinary. In his years of "pro" football, he has been a consistent ground gainer and last Sunday against the Chicago Cardinals, it was King who rushes that carried the ball down to the Cardinals' 15 yard line in the last few minutes of play.

boosters' committee, made the statement: "It is up to the citizens of Green Bay to back up the Packers. They have put Wisconsin, not alone Green Bay, on the professional football map and right now are rated as one of the best professional aggregations in the country. This is covering a whole lot of territory. The fans should consider that they are getting the best grade of football that is played anywhere. Only the leading teams are being brought to Green Bay for games and the management is deserving of support. It is quite possible that the Packers may finish up their season away from home unless the fans rally to their support and attend Sunday's game, at least that is the report that has reached me. It costs a lot of money to put a team like the Packers in the field and if we are going to continue to have this super grade of football. The ticket box receipts have got to show a big increase. Let's go Sunday and show that we are with them."...WILL WELCOME MATHYS: Not alone will Sunday's contest be a booster game but it will be a homecoming day for Charlie Mathys. The Hammond quarterback's friends on the West side are going to flock to the game in a body and give the Green Bay boy a reception that he will long remember. The Packers resumed their practice workouts this afternoon. Coach Hoeffel put the team through a long drill and a blackboard talk is scheduled for this evening. The squad will continue their practice stunts for the remainder of the week and it is a good bet that the machine will be better than every when the whistle blows on Sunday.

CAL'S COMMENTS

NOV 10 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Charlie Mathys is coming home Sunday as an alien foe. The former West Side pigskin chaser will be accorded a warm reception, however, when he steps out on the gridiron at Hagemeister park as a member of the Hammond Professionals for the game with the Green Bay Packers. Graduates of West High will be there en masses to "raise the roof" for the former Purple footballer.

FANS RALLY TO SUPPORT OF PACKER TEAM; BIG CROWD IS EXPECTED AT GAME SUNDAY

NOV 11 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Green Bay is going to turn out and support the Packers in good shape for Sunday's game with the Hammond Professionals at Hagemeister park. At least that is the opinion of the Booster Day committee who have been going the rounds of the businessmen on a ticket selling drive. Fear that the Packers may finish the season away from home is stirring up the football fans a good deal and the thoughts of a couple of football-less Sunday, not alone Thanksgiving Day, are not what could be called pleasant one. One of the Boosters' committee in speaking of the situation here said: "It is rather surprising to think that the general opinion of the public is that the Packers have been coining money. This is not the case. The Rock Island game drew the biggest crowd and yet the attendance figures at this contest did not touch the 3,000 mark."...MONEY BEHIND RIGHT NOW: "When we explain that the club is on the wrong side of the ledger right at the present time the caustic kicker turns into a booster and buys a couple of tickets. This is the situation throughout the city. This city needs the Packers in football. Throughout the state the Packers are recognized as one of the best teams in the country. Some times I think they are more appreciated by outsiders than the people right here at home. The football situation has reached a showdown. Do the fans want to have the team keep on playing the Minneapolis Marines, Rock Island, Hammond and the other elevens of the same class or do they want Oshkosh, Kaukauna, Sheboygan, Marinette and some of the other aggregations booked. The attendance at Sunday's game will tell the tale."...RECEPTION FOR MATHYS:

Charlie Mathys, who will captain and play quarterback for the Hammond team in Sunday's game will get a great reception from the West Siders. Many of his old friends and school mates are planning to attend the contest in a body and show Charlie that his pals in his old hometown haven't forgotten him. The Packer squad will be better than ever this weekend. That is the opinion of Coach Hoeffel as he watched his charges work through a long drill at Hagemeister park Thursday afternoon. "The players are beginning to find themselves, said Hoeffel. "They know what the man next to them is capable of doing and they can govern themselves accordingly. Teamwork is developing and we will have plenty of interference on Sunday. I hate to think of Charlie Mathys' homecoming being spoiled by a defeat of his team but I have got a good hunch that the Packers are going to take a fall out of Hammond. Let us hope so anyway."

PACKERS VS. HAMMOND

NOV 12 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Sunday afternoon the Hammond Professionals and the Green Bay Packers will clash in an American Professional Football league game at Hagemeister park. The kickoff is scheduled at 2 o'clock and regulation periods of 15 minute duration will be played. The Hammond team is one of the strongest in the country. For years they have occupied a prominent place in professional gridiron circles. This season's squad has been traveling along a merry clip and has lost but one contest, the Chicago Cardinals winning out last Sunday, 7 to 0...MATHYS LEADS HAMMOND: The visitors are led by Charlie Mathys, a Green Bay boy who in his collegiate days was rated as one of the greatest quarterbacks in Western Conference football. It is Charlie's first appearance here since he cut capers on the chalk marked field wearing the Purple jersey of West High. There are other stars in the Hammond team aside from Mathys. King was an All American fullback, Depler was varsity center at Illinois while Bobby Knopp was a teammate of Depler's on

Lineup of Teams.	
The teams lined up as follows:	
Packers (5)	(5) Hammond
De Moe, l. e.	l. e., Williams
Coughlin, l. t.	l. t., Risley
Carey, l. g.	l. g., Hart
Murray, c.	c., Depler
Wilson, r. g.	r. g., Oltz
Buck, r. t.	r. t., Talbert
Hayes, r. e.	r. e., Henke
Lambeau, q. b.	q. b., Mathys
Berry, l. h. b.	l. h. b., Knopp
Malone, r. h. b.	r. h. b., Rice
Schmael, f. b.	f. b., King
Packers.	
Howard, f. b.; Ladrow, h. b.; McLean, q. b.; Martell, e.; Abrams, e.; Wheeler, e.; Cook, t.; Powers, t.; M. Zoll, g.; Klaus, c.	
Hammond.	
Hess, h. b.; Green, t.; Derr, h. b.; Voight, c.; Roberts, e.; C. Williams, h. b. Referee, Murphy, Green Bay; umpire, Gordon, Hammond; head linesman, Coffeen, Green Bay.	

the Sucker squad for two years. Every man on the Hammond squad if a college players...PACKERS ARE READY: The Packers will be fit for the fray. All of the big fellows have got in some good practice licks since the middle of the week and the old team play unit will be very much in evidence. No changes are contemplated in the Packers' lineup. All the stars will play and Coach Hoeffel predicts that if his gang lives up to form, Hammond will be in for a very busy afternoon of pigskin chasing.

WEST SIDERS TO GIVE MATHYS A WARM RECEPTION

NOVEMBER 12 (Green Bay Press-Gazette) - Green Bay's west side is going to flock to the game at Hagemeister park tomorrow afternoon and give Charlie Mathys, the Green Bay boy, who is playing quarterback and captaining Hammond, a reception that he will remember for a long time. It wasn't so long ago that he was an idol across the river. Mathys starred in basketball and football for West before making a name for himself at Ripon and Indiana. Charlie's friends are legion and they will all be on the job when the whistle blows.

*Expect Record Crowd Will
Attend Sunday's Football
Game at Hagemeister Park*

**Charlie Mathys Brings Crack Aggregation Here
to Meet Green Bay Team; Exciting Con-
test Looked For; Kickoff 2 P. M.**

EVANSVILLE CRIMSON GIANTS

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The Evansville Crimson Giants were a professional American football team based in Evansville, Indiana and were a part of the National Football League in 1921 and 1922. The Giants home games were played at Bosse Field. According to the Evansville Courier and Press in 1921, 'they surprised local fans in developing a winning team' and 'the Giants' one-sided victories over inferior non-league teams has had good fan reaction.' However the team did not succeed, mostly due to scheduling mistakes and management problems. Evansville's local sporting enthusiasts also failed to respond favorably and attend the home games.

Ex-Collegians

The Crimson Giants history is rooted in Evansville's first significant semi-pro team, the Evansville Ex-Collegians, who began play in 1920. The Ex-Collegians played and followed the typical semi-professional template of the era. The team employed mostly local players almost exclusively. They paid those players a small sum based on gate receipts and on a game-by-game basis. The team also operated without any real management oversight, meaning that the players looked after the team's finances, and scheduled games haphazardly. In 1920, group of local businessmen tried to purchase the Ex-Collegians. However, the investors and the players failed to reach a compromise. After the initial two victories over modest opponents, the Ex-Collegians bragged of possibly playing the most celebrated pro football team in the nation, the Canton Bulldogs on Christmas Day 1920. While the chances of the game taking place between Evansville and Canton were slim, the rumour of a Canton game was really a marketing scheme to draw attention to the newly established Ex-Collegians. The team would finish their 1920 season with a 7-1 record.

Formation of the Crimson Giants

In 1921 the same unnamed businessmen who failed to take over the Ex-Collegians in 1920 decided to form their own team. Frank Fausch, Fullback for the Ex-Collegians and Mark Ingle, an offensive lineman with the team, left the Ex-Collegians to create a new corporation known as the "American Football Association", which would own a new professional team soon nicknamed the Crimson

Giants. Fausch served as team's president and general manager, while Ingle served as vice-president. The two men put together an ownership group that included Evansville's leading businessmen and professionals. Evansville's mayor, Benjamin Bosse, and the vice-president of City National Bank were included in this group. The city's Chamber of Commerce was also heavily involved in promoting the Crimson Giants.

Merger of the Ex-Collegians and Crimson Giants

The remaining Ex-Collegians, led by their quarterback and captain, Menz Lindsey, at first refused to join Fausch and Ingle. The Ex-Collegians wanted instead to continue playing independently. However Fausch need many of those Ex-Collegian players, in order to create his new team. He came to an agreement with Guy Morrison, a popular baseball pitcher with the Evansville Evas of the Illinois–Indiana–Iowa League. With Morrison, Fausch arranged for a benefit game that would provide funds for the construction of a World War I veterans' memorial. By doing this the Crimson Giants secured the exclusive use of the only suitable stadium in Evansville, Bosse Field. Lindsey tried to challenged the Giants to a contest in the benefit game, however Fausch refused to respond. Many professional football players soon flooded to the Crimson Giants. Bourbon Bondurant, an insurance agent with prior pro football experience with the Fort Wayne Friars; Joe Windbiel, a local high school coach who played professionally with the Detroit Heralds; architect Earl Warweg, who had played semi-pro football for five years in Indianapolis; cigar company traffic manager Clarence Specht; and June Talley, an insurance adjuster also with college football experience, soon joined the team. After finding no other venue in which to play in Evansville, many of the Ex-Collegians joined the Crimson Giants. Soon Doc Gorman joined the Crimson Giants, becoming the first Ex-Collegian, other than Fausch and Ingle, to defect. Within a week, Lindsey and Clarence Spiegel, two main pillars of the Ex-Collegians' organization, jumped to the Crimson Giants.

The NFL

On August 27, 1921, Fausch traveled to Chicago to secure an American Professional Football Association (renamed the National Football League in 1922) franchise for Evansville. It was then that Evansville was awarded an AFPA franchise, that was scheduled to begin play in 1921.

1921 season

The Crimson Giants won five of their first seven games. The team's first ever league win came at home on October 2, 1921, as the Crimson Giants defeated the Louisville Brecks, 21–0. The team's second league win can a week later against the Muncie Flyers, 14–0. However the Crimson Giants lost to the Hammond Pros 3–0 the very next week. That win was Hammond's first win in the league. During that game, Herb Henderson, later stated that the Hammond players met with him during the game and asked if he could tone down his hits, because the Hammond players still needed to be healthy for work on Monday. Henderson, a high school football coach, refused and stated that he needed to show his players, who were sitting in the stands watching him, "how tackling was done". However the team, lost a lot of money when it suffered through a series of scheduling mishaps in the second half of November. As a result of the eleven games originally scheduled, only five were actually played. Furthermore, only half of the ten games ultimately played by the Giants were against league opponents. In early November, the Crimson Giants travelled to Green Bay, Wisconsin, to face the APFA's Green Bay Packers at Hagemeister Park. Although Fausch intended to play every game in Evansville, he chose at this point to receive a guaranteed sum from the Packers' organization rather than risk losing more money at Bosse Field, where attendance had been disappointing. With several players unable to leave Evansville for the weekend, Fausch found replacements, but the revamped Crimson Giants were defeated in Green Bay, 43–6. Fausch then scheduled a pair of non-league opponents to the schedule. The first game which was to take place in Chicago was cancelled due to heavy snow, while the other game was cancelled by the opposing team. Fausch quickly added a game against the Cincinnati Celts. However, when faced with poor field conditions and two days of heavy rain, Fausch made a last-minute cancellation. Rather than play before another small crowd and lose more money, he decided not to play at all. The Crimson Giants had now cancelled their last three games, one of which was to be played on Thanksgiving Day, the biggest football day of the year. As a result, the players received no money, and Fausch had to pay rent for an unused Bosse Field. Fausch made sure the next game would be played. The Cincinnati Celts were re-scheduled and Fausch informed the press that the game would be played "rain or shine." He then stated that three more games, two against AFPA opponents, would be played in Evansville. The Celts game was played on Bosse Field, which was damaged due to heavy rains. The Crimson Giants won their sixth game of the season, 48–0, however the team still took a financial loss due to poor attendance. A scoreless tie against a non-AFPA opponent, two weeks later, ended the 1921 season for the Crimson Giants.

Committee of Five

Many of the Crimson Giants' players became upset with management of the team under Fausch after the 1921 season. It was then that several members of the team took matters into their own hands. The "Committee of Five", led by former Ex-Collegians Menz Lindsey and Clarence Spiegel, forced Fausch to surrender management of the team. The "Committee of Five" could not reverse the Crimson Giants' financial fortunes. The Committee lost money in its only contests. Fausch and his American Football Association corporation, lost an estimated ten thousand dollars over the course of the season, despite playing a total of nine games at home and only one on the road. To combat the "Committee of Five", Fausch asserted publicly that it was he who held the franchise rights in the American Professional Football Association, and thus owned the Crimson Giants. And to help improve the team's finances, he suggested that he would play every Crimson Giants game on the road. However Fausch lost his players. Several former Giants announced they would play for the local Knights of Columbus squad instead. Then Menz Lindsey re-formed the Ex-Collegians and named Herb Henderson the team's coach. Lindsey's club then secured the financial backing of the Evansville Baseball Fans' Association. Johnny Nee, manager of the

Evanston Evas, became the team's business manager. The team was then dubbed the Fans' Association team. Fausch attended the APFA's meeting in Columbus, Ohio, and posted a \$1,000 bond to secure his claim to the franchise. It was at this meeting that Chicago Bears owner, George Halas, suggested that the APFA be renamed the NFL. The Crimson Giants' membership in the NFL, meant that the Fans' Association team could not play league teams. Thus the team would be forced to play teams that were considered second-rate opponents. However the Fans' Association team had secured an exclusive lease to Bosse Field for the entire football season, leaving the Crimson Giants with no park for the 1922 season. The Fans' Association team also signed many key players from the 1921 Crimson Giants team. Around this time Johnny Nee renamed the Fans' Association team the Evansville Pros and attempted to schedule games against the Hammond Pros, Dayton Triangles, and the Louisville Brecks. However a letter from NFL President Joseph Carr, stated that Johnny Nee's Evansville Pros were not members of the NFL and NFL league clubs would only be allowed to play Fausch's Crimson Giants.

1922 season

The Crimson Giants played their first three games of the season on the road. Fausch in the meantime had hoped that the Evansville Pros would fold in October, so that he could regain the rights to Bosse Field. Luckily for Fausch, the Pros folded after witnessing poor attendance and an 0–1–1 record. As a result, Fausch entered into negotiations with Nee over the sake of the lease for Bosse Field. However the negotiations between the two clubs broke down and the Crimson Giants cancelled their remaining home games. The team would only play three games in 1922, all on the road. The Crimson Giants lost all three of those games to the Toledo Maroons, Rock Island Independents and Louisville Brecks. The wins by the Brecks and Maroons became the first in Louisville and Toledo franchise history. Meanwhile, the Rock Island Independents became only the second team with two 100 yard rushers in their 60–0 win over Evansville. Jimmy Conzelman ran for five touchdowns during that game, setting an NFL record that would remain in place until 1929, when Ernie Nevers scored 40 points alone against the Chicago Bears. The Independents also became the first NFL team to rush for 300 yards in that Evansville game. The Independents almost made it to 400, with 66 carries for 396 yards. The Crimson Giants had the ball for only 26 plays, and seven of those were punts.

End of the Crimson Giants

Fausch talked briefly about re-organizing a new Crimson Giants club for the 1923 season, however he never made an effort to restart the team. Several of the Crimson Giants went on to play professional football for other NFL teams. While the Evansville Crimson Giants were the only league team to go under between the end of the 1922 season and the beginning of the 1923 season, few teams other than the Bears saw profits from football. (SOURCE: [Wikipedia](#))

Today Ryan Learned Evansville Had an NFL Team Called the Crimson Giants in 1921

Evansville has always had a rich sports history, but wasn't until recently that I discovered our city was home to one of the National Football League's first franchises. I first discovered the team when the following stat on ESPN.com caught my eye while researching the Colts versus Patriots game as I was putting together my notes for the Ford & O'Bryan show earlier this week: From Elias: the last time a player rushed for 4 TD after entering game with 0 career TD was Herb Henderson of the Evansville Crimson Giants against the Cincinnati Celts on November 27, 1921. Wait. The who? Knowing we're not the only "Evansville" in the United States, I did a little digging to see if these "Crimson Giants" were indeed from our Evansville. And if you didn't figure it out by now, they were. According to Wikipedia, before the NFL became the premiere sports league in the U.S. (and one could argue, the world), it began as the American Professional Football League with humble roots as a 14-team league in 1920 that included teams such as the Muncie Flyers, the Decatur Staleys, and the Rock Island Independents. In 1921 it expanded to a 22-team league that included our very own team known as the Evansville Crimson Giants. The Crimson Giants weren't the first professional football team to come from Evansville, however. The Evansville Ex-Collegians formed in 1920 comprised of mostly local players who worked normal day jobs. After finishing 7-1 in their debut season, the Ex-Collegians were approached by a group of local businessmen interested in purchasing the team from the players. After failing to reach an agreement, the investors decided they would start their own team in 1921, bringing along former Ex-Collegian players, fullback Frank Fausch and offensive lineman Mark Ingleand, who created an ownership group with the investors money known as the "American Football Association". The team became an official member of the NFL on August 27th, 1921 after Fausch traveled to Chicago and secured the teams franchise rights. With that, the Crimson Giants were born. Playing their home games at Bosse Field, the Giants did well in their first season, winning five of their first seven games. However the success was short lived as scheduling issues, poor attendance, and poor management under Fausch (who was appointed team's president and general manager) left the team financially strapped quickly. The issues created enough frustration with players that a group of them known as "The Committee of Five" forced Fausch out at the end of the 1921 season and took over the squad themselves. Unfortunately, the struggles continued for the team the following year as they lost all their games, nine of which were played at home. At that point, Fausch re-entered the picture claiming he held the franchise rights, therefore ownership of the team. With the franchise back in his control, Fausch suggested he would play all games on the road which lead to players leaving the team (remember, these guys had day jobs). It didn't get any better from there as the team played only three games in 1922, losing all three. Fausch spoke of bringing the team back for the 1923 season, but apparently never made a solid effort, and the short-lived era of the Evansville Crimson Giants came to an end. It may not have been the most impressive team ever put together, but the fact that we here in Evansville, Indiana, had a small stake in early stages of what has become one of these most powerful sport businesses in the world is pretty special. SOURCE: ESPN Evansville - November 19th 2014)

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"The Packers need the support of each and every football fan in the city. Tomorrow is your chance to show what you think of the Packers. The team has several offers for out of town games for the remainder of the season. A big attendance will keep them at home. Come on Green Bay and do your bit on Sunday."

**FORMER NEBRASKA
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Bill Williams.

Bill Williams, who saw three years of service with Nebraska, is one of the stars of the Hammond team. Although playing end, he is frequently brought back of the line either to do the kicking or short forward passes.

Williams is the long rangy type of a wing man and he covers lots of ground. He turned back Paddy Driscoll for frequent losses in last Sunday's game between the Chicago Cardinals and Hammond.

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Bobby Knopp.

Coach Zuppke at Illinois has turned out some corking good halfbacks and one of the best of 'em is Bobby Knopp, who will be seen in action here, Sunday, with Hammond, against the Packers.

Knopp is an all around star. He can batter the line at will or circle the ends like a deer. The former Sucker star is considered one of the best fullbacks in professional circles.

