

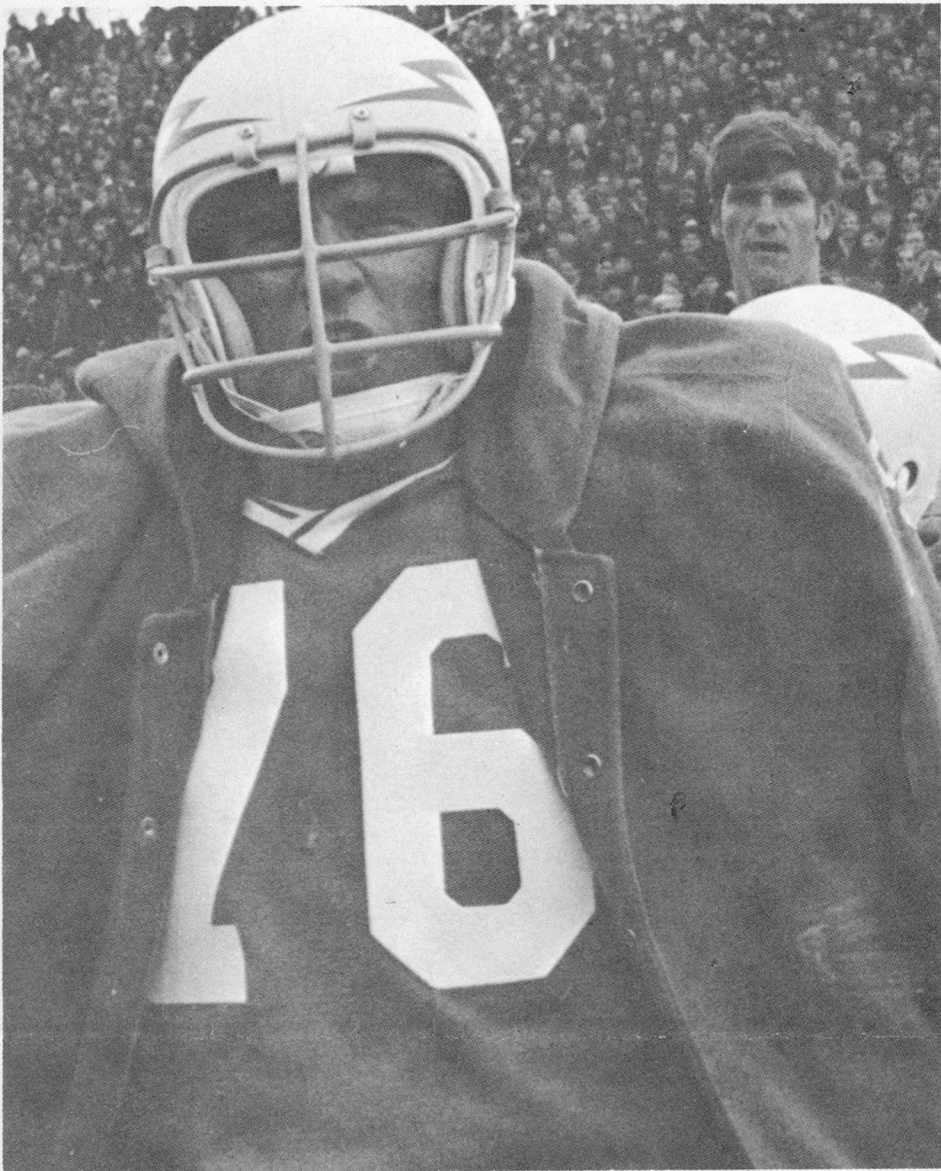
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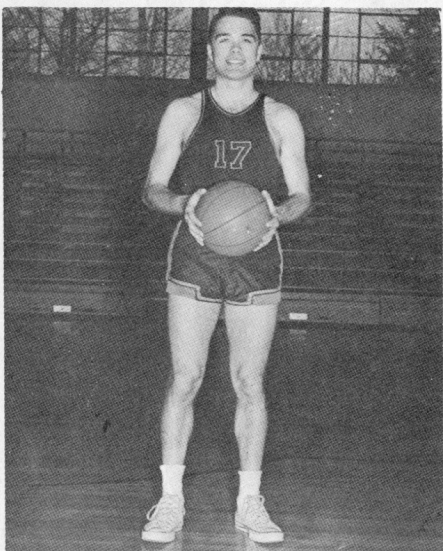


Chaplain Sam Swerdloff, L. G.,  
recently appointed Cadet Chaplain  
by the First Church of the NFL  
conducting services dressed in his  
priestly vestments.

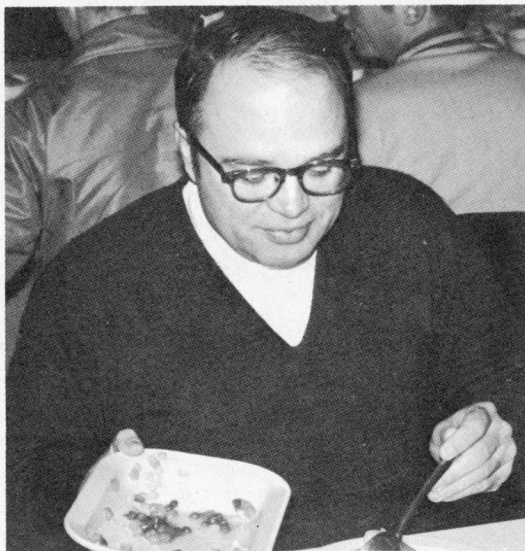
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**BEFORE**



**AFTER**

## FIRST CHURCH OF NFL APPOINTS ACADEMY CHAPLAIN!!!

The First Church of the National Football League announced yesterday that it had appointed the Rev. Sam Swerdloff, L.G., to be the first chaplain of the new denomination to serve at any of the nation's military academies. "The A.F. team may not have been invited to any of the bowls for a post-season game, but in our book the Academy is best suited for this new type of ministry," said Ch Swerdloff. Though not widely known until the past few years, the Church is the fastest growing of all of America's religious denominations. Ecumenical in spirit the Church claims converts from all of the other denominations, Christian, Jewish and Islamic.

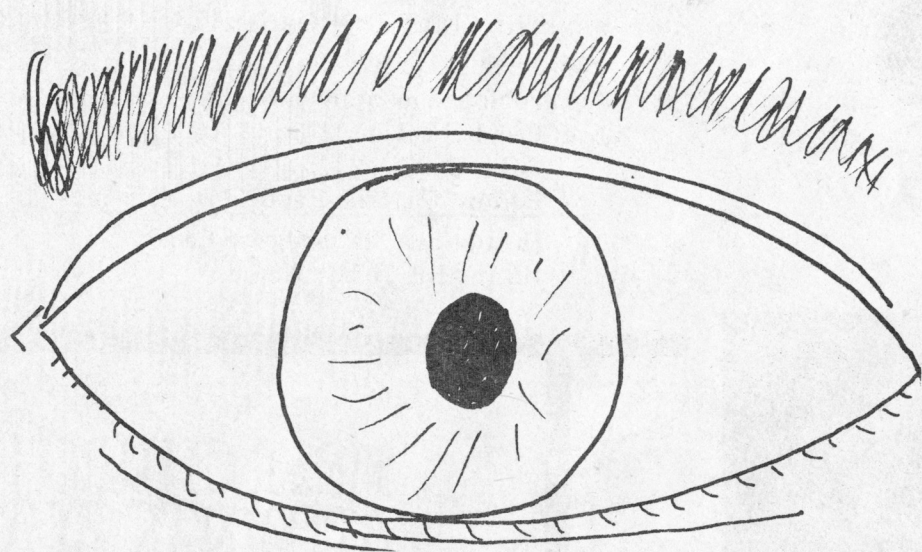
In spite of its rapid growth, or perhaps because of it, the church has not been without its theological conflicts. Only twenty years ago the Church was shaken to its very foundations by a schism, called by the church historians "the A.F.L. heresy." This group of schismatics attacked the mother Church of the N.F.L., claiming it had gotten away from the original teachings of the church's Founder, was too concerned with making money, and demanded a part of the action. For nearly a decade the schismatics (known as "P.B." or "Parted Brethren" to the orthodox N.F.L.ers) and the mother Church, fought for supremacy. The fight was not pretty, and both groups suffered. Then, one day, and some of the fanatical followers of N.F.L. claim it was by God's grace, a new leader was chosen by the NFL, who has since been called "the Commissioner of Peace." He called a Council to reconcile doctrinal differences with the PB's. So successful was the Council's efforts that the A.F.L. rejoined the mother church, and even paid a million dollars, as a sign of its complete repentance.

Now, what are the services of N.F.L. comparable to? Are they in any way similar to those of the more traditional denominations? The answer is a definite yes! Services are held on Sundays, though many of the branch churches will also meet on Monday nights. Some N.F.L.ers are so devout that they attend two services on Sunday, and watch a TV service on Monday. As might well be imagined, such a piety causes great conflict in homes where all members of the family do not share the same religious beliefs. In these families, however, in which all adults are members of the Church, there is a harmony and stability. Indeed, the old cliché, "the family that prays together, stays together," seems to be especially true of these church members.

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# PROBABILITY: The Eyes Have It.



Here is an interesting project. Take ten blank index cards. Number them consecutively from 1 to 10. Shuffle them, and see what chances there are that they will come up in their proper numerical order.

What are the odds against this happening? Take a guess?

The probability is one chance in ten billion!

Suppose you took not ten, but 100 such cards consecutively numbered. To shuffle them so that they will fall into numerical order would be one chance in billions of billions of billions. Chance, or accidental shuffling of these cards resulting in their turning up in their proper order, is so improbable that for any practical purpose we would say that it is impossible. The improbability of such an accidental arrangement almost defies mathematical calculation.

But even this is nothing compared to the human eye, which is immensely more complicated. The eye is safely recessed in a protruding bone frame, which protects it from blows. It is furnished with a lid, which rolls down automatically whenever an object approaches; and which rolls up conveniently out of sight when not in use. The eye is continuously being bathed in a soothing and antiseptic fluid, supplied by the well of the tear ducts. The eyebrows intercept perspiration, and the eyelashes help keep out foreign matter. The white outer skin of the eyeball is tough, to protect the eye and to preserve its shape against elongation and flattening, which would impair vision. The inner skin of the eye is black, like the inside of a camera, to absorb excess light which would blur the image. The eye is equipped

with a crystalline lens, and has a screen (the retina) upon which the image is projected. This screen is composed of 9 layers, containing many millions of rods and cones and a labyrinth of nerve fibers of dizzying complexity. The pupil dilates in the darkness to admit maximum light; and contracts, in the sunshine, to exclude excess light. The eye is the most perfect of cameras; for beside being self-adjusting for light intensity, it is also instantaneously self-focusing to allow for distance, it takes color pictures, it rotates to focus on all sides and it takes the inverted image and sets it topside up. Each component of the eye: lens, retina, optical nerve, tear duct, etc., is of enormous complexity, some possessing many millions of parts. Every one of these millions of parts has its own precise chemical composition and precise physical structure. Each component must be in precise position, and each must be of precise size.

What are the odds against a one-celled algae turning, by chance, into a human eye?

## 60 His People '99

A Contemporary Folk/Rock Group

FEATURING

THE YOUTH FOR CHRIST STAFF OF DENVER

1745 HOURS  
PROTESTANT CADET CHAPEL

7 JANUARY

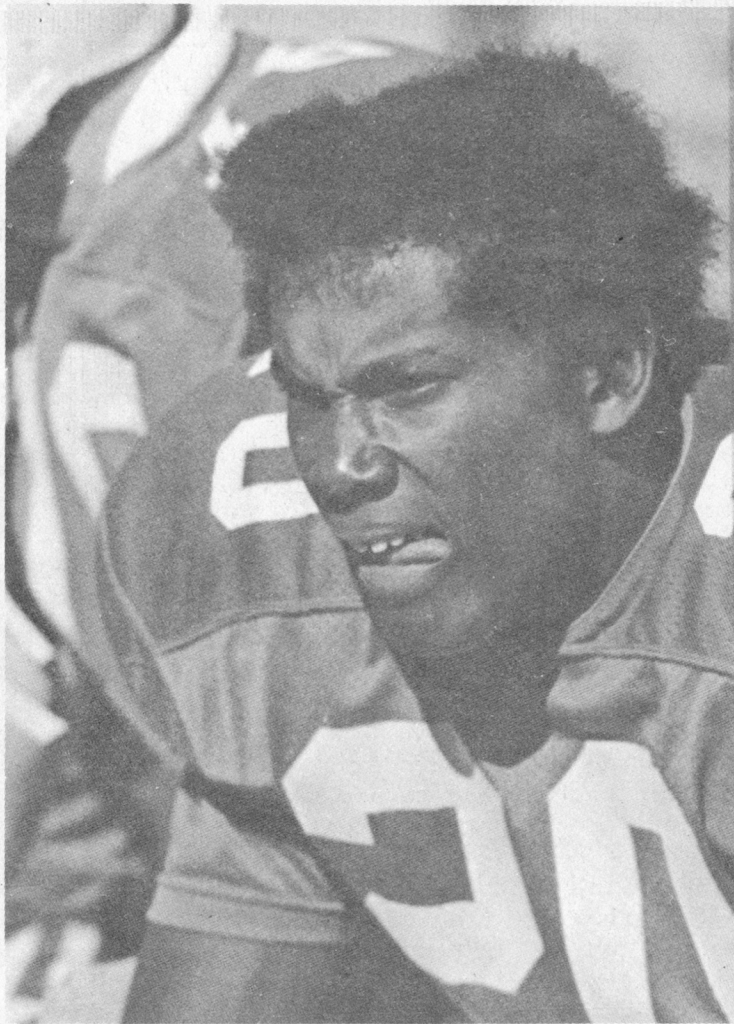
Don't miss Daily Chapel  
1800 hours, Mon-Fri at the  
Protestant Cadet Chapel.

\* MONDAY - CADET LED \* TUES. - SPEAKER  
\* WED. - COMMUNION \* THURS. - BIBLE  
STUDY \* FRI. - PERSONAL DEVOTIONS  
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# WELCOME BACK! Are We Glad to See You! MEANEST MOTHER



CIC BOB ABRAHAM  
Acolyte of the First Church of the NFL  
Winner of this month's  
MEANEST MOTHER IN THE VALLEY AWARD!

## Protestant Program

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday  
0900 - Cadet/Public Worship  
1000 - General Protestant Communion  
1000 - Cadet Bible Study (2)  
1000 - Sunday School Teachers Flight  
1100 - Cadet/Public Worship  
1745 - Contemporary Cadet/Public Worship  
1830 - Fellowship Period

Monday through Friday (Daily)  
1800 - Evening Chapel Devotions  
(Monday-Cadet led, Tuesday-Guest Speaker  
Wednesday-Communion, Thursday-Bible  
Study, Friday-Private Devotions)

Monday  
(Will not meet on evenings when Discussion Groups are held)  
1915 - Fellowship of Christian Athletes (2nd and 4th)  
1915 - Squadron Bible Studies  
1915 - Denominational Activities

Thursday  
1900-Choir Rehearsal(Upper Classes)

Friday  
1645-Choir Rehearsal(Fourth Class)

## PROTESTANT FIRST CLASS

# MARRIAGE SEMINAR

"OLD SNACK BAR" IN  
ARNOLD HALL

1500 HOURS  
14 JANUARY, 1972

"Problems in Modern  
Marriage"

## Catholic Celebrations

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday  
0900 - Cadet/Public Catholic Mass  
0900 - CCD Mass and Teachers Flight  
1000 - Cadet Religious Education Class  
1100 - Cadet/Public Catholic Mass  
1745 - Cadet/Public Catholic Mass

Monday through Saturday (Daily)  
1800 - Catholic Mass

Monday  
(Will not meet on evenings when Discussion Groups are held).  
1915 - Teacher Training and Theology Classes  
1915 - Fellowship of Christian Athletes (2nd and 4th)

Thursday  
1900-Choir Rehearsal(Upper Classes)

Friday  
1645-Choir Rehearsal(Fourth Class)

**9 January (Tuesday)**  
1800: Religious Council  
Dinner-meeting  
Catholic Rectory

**15 January (Monday)**  
1800: DINNER-DISCUSSION  
Arnold Hall

COL. MEL M. WAKIN  
"MORALITY & ME"  
\* Personal vs. Public Morality  
\* Cultural Relativism  
and Morality  
\* Honor, Ethics and  
Morality

## Jewish Jottings

### 3 January (Wednesday)

1600: Instruction Class  
Jewish Vestry  
1900: Choir Rehearsal.

### 5 January (Friday) נא

1915: Sabbath Service  
"Existentialism and  
Psycho-analysis."  
2015: Oneg Shabbat and  
Discussion

### 10 January (Wednesday)

1600: Instruction Class  
1800: DINNER- DISCUSSION  
Cadet Chapel Choir Room  
Theme:-

"ARGUMENTS & AGREEMENTS  
Discussion by 3 Rabbis of  
three different schools of  
JUDAISM.  
1930: Choir Rehearsal.

### 12 January (Friday) נא

1915: Service  
"ASK THE RABBI  
2015: Oneg

## DON'T FORGET

The Family  
DINNER-SERVICE  
26 January ~ 1800 hours  
\* SERVICE  
\* SONGS  
\* SABBATH DANCES  
\* DINNER



## CHAPLAIN APPOINTED

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The cult of personality, however, has invaded the Church. Player-priests develop their own followings, and many of the worshippers come to cheer their heroes and sneer at the other player-priests. Even some of the commentators at the service develop their own followings. Howard Cosell, for example, is popular not only for his explanation of the services, but for the gossip stories about the lives and problems of the player-priests.

The Church organization is hierarchical. At the head is an infallible Commissioner. Some of his power is delegated to a group of Bishops called Club Owners. Each of them is responsible for a See, called a Franchise. The Bishops have aides called coaches, who directly supervise the player-priests.

Finally, there are laymen, called fans.

In addition, there is a Curia to settle disputes, and to see that the services are properly conducted. They are called Referees and Scorekeepers. Being at the bottom of the hierarchical ladder, they are frequently the recipients of abuse, and even have been beaten by overly zealous fans and players. To compensate for this, they frequently develop a kind of psychological blindness, and toss red handkerchiefs to the ground, while blowing silver whistles.

At the Academy there is a large number of members of the Church, and Chaplain Swerdloff (L.G.) will have his work cut out for him as he goes about his father's business.



GRIDS! WELCOME HOME! HAPPY NEW YEAR!

