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Personally, I am one of many who received inspiration from the pioneering works by Prof. Axford. My contributions include discovery of the DP2 type magnetic variation which is the counterpart of the time variations of the magnetospheric convection. Using the spatial and temporal characteristics of DP2, I was able to explain the location of the plasmapause and identify the cause of the convection with the dayside reconnection. It was a highlight of my early career when he heavily quoted my papers at the International Symposium on the Physics of the Magnetosphere held at Washington D.C. in September, 1968. Furthermore, we have confirmed and extended his early conjectures on the substorm process in the magnetotail with the GEOTAIL mission launched in 1992.