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Howard anecdotes.

Dear George -

Thank you for the story,

JMS

I'd heard a similar echo before, but in somewhat more credible form, namely that I never wore a necktie. That was somewhat exaggerated, but I could recognize the kernel of truth, and for an institution that placed high merit on pastoral elegance, why not enforce that criterion?

But "leather pants"? I never saw a pair, much less wore them.

As to working on the Sabbath, to my father's despair (he was an orthodox rabbi) I was utterly non-practising of any ritual from age 17 on, i.e. when I left home. But I guess the translation is self-evident.

Thank you for your own personal anecdote. I had heard of that also from Kenneth Thimann in 1957 or 58; but by then I was committed to California.

Best wishes,

John