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People everywhere confuse what they read in newspapers with news.

~A. J. Liebling

An Englishman teaching an American about food is like the blind leading the one-eyed.

~A. J. Liebling

Freedom of the press is guaranteed only to those who own one.

~A. J. Liebling

The primary requisite for writing well about food is a good appetite.

~A. J. Liebling

I can write better than anybody who can write faster, and I can write faster than anybody who can write better.

~A. J. Liebling

The function of the press in society is to inform, but its role in society is to make money.

~A. J. Liebling

Inconsiderate to the last, Josef Stalin, a man who never had to meet a deadline, had the bad taste to die in installments.

~A. J. Liebling

The world isn't going backward, if you can just stay young enough to remember what it was really like when you were really young.

~A. J. Liebling

If there is any way you can get colder than you do when you sleep in a bedding roll on the ground in a tent in southern Tunisia two hours before dawn, I don't know about it.

~A. J. Liebling

The only way to write is well and how you do it is your own damn business.

~A. J. Liebling

Any city may have one period of magnificence, like Boston or New Orleans or San Francisco, but it takes a real one to keep renewing itself until the past is perennially forgotten.

~A. J. Liebling

Freedom of the press belongs to the man who owns one.

~A. J. Liebling

If you just try long enough and hard enough, you can always manage to boot yourself in the posterior.

~A. J. Liebling

Chicago seems a big city instead of merely a large place.

~A. J. Liebling

A Louisiana politician can't afford to let his animosities carry him away, and still less his principles, although there is seldom difficulty in that department.

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I had an attack of the gout two days before pulling out, and I went limping off to the war instead of coming limping back from it.

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It is an anomaly that information, the one thing most necessary to our survival as choosers of our own way, should be a commodity subject to the same merchandising rules as chewing gum.

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I take a grave view of the press. It is the weak slat under the bed of democracy

~A. J. Liebling

No ascetic can be considered reliably sane.

~A. J. Liebling

I used to be shy about ordering a steak after I had eaten a steak sandwich, but I got used to it.

~A. J. Liebling

Last week, I had to offer my publisher a bottle that was far too good for him simply because there was nothing between the insulting and the superlative.

~A. J. Liebling

Cynicism is often the shamefaced product of inexperience.

~A. J. Liebling

My old friend looked at me with a new respect. He was discovering in me a capacity for hypocrisy that he had never credited me with before.

~A. J. Liebling

Newspapers write about other newspapers with circumspection, ... about themselves with awe, and only after mature reflection.

~A. J. Liebling

Henry Miller may write about revelers self-woven into a human hooked rug, because his ecstasy is solemn.

~A. J. Liebling

A city with one newspaper... is like a man with one eye, and often the

eye is glass.

~A. J. Liebling

The country's present supply of foreign news depends largely on how best a number of dry goods merchants in New York think they can sell underwear.

~A. J. Liebling

The science of booby-trapping has taken a good deal of the fun out of following hot on the enemy's heels.

~A. J. Liebling

There is no concept more generally cherished by publishers than that of the Undeserving Poor.

~A. J. Liebling

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