

C.P. Snow Quotes

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Country, Moving, Want, Thinking, Eye, Scientist, Pursue, Understanding,
Needs, Forgiving, Husband*

The pursuit of happiness is a most ridiculous phrase: if you pursue happiness you'll never find it.

~C.P. Snow

When you think of the long and gloomy history of man, you will find more hideous crimes have been committed in the name of obedience than have ever been committed in the name of rebellion.

~C.P. Snow

Zeroth law: You must play the game First law: You can't win Second law: You can't break even Third law: You can't quit the game.

~C.P. Snow

What we need to do is to humanize the scientist and simonize the humanist.

~C.P. Snow

Civilization is hideously fragile... there's not much between us and the Horrors underneath, just about a coat of varnish.

~C.P. Snow

Two polar groups: at one pole we have the literary intellectuals, at the other scientists, and as the most representative, the physical scientists. Between the two a gulf of mutual incomprehension.

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Try as I might, I could never feel any great affection for a man who so much resembled a Baked Alaska - sweet, warm and gungy on the outside, hard and cold within.

~C.P. Snow

Davy was the type of all the jumped-up second-raters of all time.

~C.P. Snow

I want a man who knows something about himself. And is appalled.
And has to forgive himself to get along.

~C.P. Snow

Nothing is easier to avoid than publicity. If one genuinely doesn't want it, one doesn't get it.

~C.P. Snow

Advertising degrades the people it appeals to; it deprives them of their will to choose.

~C.P. Snow

The most dreadful thing of all is that many millions of people in the poor countries are going to starve to death before our eyes. We shall see them doing so upon our television sets.

~C.P. Snow

It takes a very strong head to keep secrets for years and not go slightly mad. It isn't wise to be advised by anyone slightly mad.

~C.P. Snow

I think, on the whole that scientists make slightly better husbands and fathers than most of us, and I admire them for it.

~C.P. Snow

Nine English traditions out of ten date from the latter half of the nineteenth century.

~C.P. Snow

The scientific process has two motives: one is to understand the natural world, the other is to control it.

~C.P. Snow

I was searching for something a little more than a dashing metaphor, a good deal less than a cultural map: and for those purposes the two cultures is about right.

~C.P. Snow

Well, we have seen a wonder. We ought to count our blessings.

~C.P. Snow

I should never have made a good scientist, but I should have made a perfectly adequate one.

~C.P. Snow

I was moving among two groups... who had almost ceased to communicate at all, who in intellectual, moral, and psychological climate had so little in common that... one might have crossed the ocean.

~C.P. Snow

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