

Clyde Tombaugh Quotes

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Can you imagine young people nowadays making a study of trigonometry for the fun of it? Well I did.

~Clyde Tombaugh

I guess the two things I was most interested in were telescopes and steam engines. My father was an engineer on a threshing rig steam engine and I loved the machinery.

~Clyde Tombaugh

I have a lot of sympathy for young people because I realize how disturbed I was. How would I deal with life in the future? What would I do for a living?

~Clyde Tombaugh

Young man, I am afraid you are wasting your time. If there were any more planets they would have been found long before this.

~Clyde Tombaugh

Unfortunately, a lot of the concepts in the Bible are based on ancient mythology that doesn't fit the findings of science.

~Clyde Tombaugh

I was interested in telescopes and the way they worked because I had an intense desire to see what things looked like, so I learned how to use telescopes and find things in the sky.

~Clyde Tombaugh

You have to compete with others in the field. Sometimes the competition gets pretty fierce because you're competing for funds or grants to do your work, the financial work.

~Clyde Tombaugh

That's the way I got along in life. I don't ever remember being particularly jealous of anybody, because I figured if I can't do it myself, I

don't deserve to get it.

~Clyde Tombaugh

When I was in the fourth grade, I became intensely interested in geography and I learned it well.

~Clyde Tombaugh

I think the driving thing was curiosity about the universe. That fascinated me. I didn't think anything about being famous or anything like that, I was just interested in the concepts involved.

~Clyde Tombaugh

By the time I was in sixth grade I could bound every country in the world from memory.

~Clyde Tombaugh

I guess they just took it for granted that that was what I was interested in and let nature take its course.

~Clyde Tombaugh

I realized that I would have some very tough sledding, and I was very discouraged because I didn't see much hope of getting into the field I wanted to get into with no college education.

~Clyde Tombaugh

To me, the noise of a threshing machine is better music than a lot of music I hear nowadays. I took a man's place in the threshing crew when I was only 14 years old.

~Clyde Tombaugh

I used to believe there were people on Mars, and of course now we know there aren't. Mars held particular interest. I was curious what kind of beings they would look like.

~Clyde Tombaugh

You have to have hope. Otherwise, I don't think you could handle it. Of course, you have to have both luck and pluck to make it.

~Clyde Tombaugh

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