

Louis D. Brandeis

Quotes

*Men, Government, Mean, People, Political, Law, Lying, Wisdom, Democracy,
Office, War, Long, Freedom, Fear, Publicity, Country, Liberty, Important, Order,
Politics*

We can have democracy in this country, or we can have great wealth concentrated in the hands of a few, but we can't have both.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The most important office, and the one which all of us can and should fill, is that of private citizen.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Most of the things worth doing in the world had been declared impossible before they were done.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Our government... teaches the whole people by its example. If the government becomes the lawbreaker, it breeds contempt for law; it invites every man to become a law unto himself; it invites anarchy.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The only title in our democracy superior to that of President is the title of citizen.

~Louis D. Brandeis

If there be time to expose through discussion the falsehood and fallacies, to avert the evil by the processes of education, the remedy to be applied is more speech, not enforced silence.

~Louis D. Brandeis

It is the function of speech to free men from the bondage of irrational fears.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Publicity is justly commended as a remedy for social and industrial diseases. Sunlight is said to be the best of disinfectants; electric light the most efficient policeman.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The greatest menace to freedom is an inert people.

~Louis D. Brandeis

If we desire respect for the law, we must first make the law respectable.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Sunlight is said to be the best of disinfectants.

~Louis D. Brandeis

In the frank expression of conflicting opinions lies the greatest promise of wisdom in governmental action.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The makers of our Constitution . . . conferred, as against the government, the right to be let alone - the most comprehensive of rights and the right most valued by civilized men.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Experience teaches us to be most on our guard to protect liberty when the government's purposes are beneficent.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The right most valued by all civilized men is the right to be left alone.

~Louis D. Brandeis

In a democracy, the most important office is the office of citizen

~Louis D. Brandeis

There is a spark of idealism within every individual which can be fanned into flame and bring forth extraordinary results.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Neutrality is at times a graver sin than belligerence.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The greatest dangers to liberty lurk in the insidious encroachment by men of zeal, well meaning but without understanding.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Crime is contagious....if the government becomes a lawbreaker, it breeds contempt for the law.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Fear of serious injury alone cannot justify oppression of free speech and assembly. Men feared witches and burnt women. It is the function of speech to free men from the bondage of irrational fears.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Behind every argument is somebody's ignorance. Rediscover the foundation of truth and the purpose and causes of dispute immediately disappear.

~Louis D. Brandeis

America has believed that in differentiation, not in uniformity, lies the path of progress. It acted on this belief; it has advanced human happiness, and it has prospered.

~Louis D. Brandeis

There are no shortcuts in evolution.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Those who won our independence... valued liberty as an end and as a means. They believed liberty to be the secret of happiness and courage to be the secret of liberty.

~Louis D. Brandeis

There is no great writing, only great rewriting.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The old idea of a good bargain was a transaction in which one man got the better of another. The new idea of a good contract is a transaction which is good for both parties to it.

~Louis D. Brandeis

No one can really pull you up very high - you lose your grip on the rope. But on your own two feet you can climb mountains.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The best of wages will not compensate for excessively long working hours which undermine health.

~Louis D. Brandeis

I used to oppose women's suffrage and I've come to support it because these women have convinced me that we need full gender equality for full democratic participation.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Strong, responsible unions are essential to industrial fair play. Without them the labor bargain is wholly one-sided.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Those who won our independence by revolution were not cowards. They did not fear political change. They did not exalt order at the cost of liberty.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Behind every argument is someone's ignorance.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Fear of serious injury cannot alone justify suppression of free speech and assembly.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Organisation can never be a substitute for initiative and for judgement.

~Louis D. Brandeis

If we would guide by the light of reason we must let our minds be bold.

~Louis D. Brandeis

There is no good writing; there is only good rewriting.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The world presents enough problems if you believe it to be a world of law and order; do not add to them by believing it to be a world of miracles.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The most important thing we do is not doing.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Those who won our independence believed that the final end of the state was to make men free to develop their faculties.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Men long for an afterlife in which there apparently is nothing to do but delight in heaven's wonders.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The logic of words should yield to the logic of realities.

~Louis D. Brandeis

People fear witches, and burn women.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Publicity is justly commended as a remedy for social and industrial

diseases.

~Louis D. Brandeis

History is not life, but since only life makes history, the union of the two is obvious.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The US States are our laboratories of democracy.

~Louis D. Brandeis

We shall have lost something vital and beyond price on the day when the state denies us the right to resort to force.

~Louis D. Brandeis

I abhor averages. I like the individual case. A man may have six meals one day and none the next, making an average of three meals per day, but that is not a good way to live.

~Louis D. Brandeis

No system of regulation can safely be substituted for the operation of individual liberty as expressed in competition.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Democracy is moral before it is political.

~Louis D. Brandeis

In differentiation, not in uniformity, lies the path of progress.

~Louis D. Brandeis

If you would only recognize that life is hard, things would be so much easier for you.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The general rule of law is, that the noblest of human productions

knowledge, truths ascertained, conceptions and ideas become, after voluntary communication to others, free as the air to common use.

~Louis D. Brandeis

What I have desired to do is to make the people of Boston realize that the most important office, and the one which all of us can and should fill, is that of private citizen.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Repression breeds hate; hate menaces stable government.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Ownership has been separated from control; and this separation has removed many of the checks which formerly operated to curb the misuse of wealth and power.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Nearly all legislation involves a weighing of public needs as against private desires; and likewise a weighing of relative social values.

~Louis D. Brandeis

The tax-exempt privilege is a feature always reflected in the market price of [municipal] bonds. The investor pays for it.

~Louis D. Brandeis

We gain nothing by trading the tyranny of capital for the tyranny of labor.

~Louis D. Brandeis

It is one of the greatest economic errors to put any limitation upon production. We have not the power to produce more than there is a potential to consume.

~Louis D. Brandeis

If you will just start with the idea that this is a hard world, it will all be much simpler.

~Louis D. Brandeis

If you would venture, let your mind be bold . . . not reckless but bold.

~Louis D. Brandeis

I think all of our human Experience shows that no one with absolute power can be trusted to give it up even in part

~Louis D. Brandeis

Those who won our independence by revolution were not cowards.

~Louis D. Brandeis

To be good Americans, we must be better Jews, and to be better Jews, we must become Zionists.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Sunshine is the best disinfectant

~Louis D. Brandeis

Anyone who critically analyzes a business learns this: that the success or failure of an enterprise depends usually upon one man.

~Louis D. Brandeis

There is no such thing as an innocent purchaser of stocks.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Sunshine is the greatest disinfectant

~Louis D. Brandeis

There are better mothers than disaster. A native land is the best of all mothers. We American Jews have a native land we love. But it is even better to have a native land who loves us.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Men feared witches and burned women.

~Louis D. Brandeis

I rise early because no day is long enough for a day's work.

~Louis D. Brandeis

Related Links:

- Men Quotes
- Government Quotes
- Mean Quotes
- People Quotes
- Political Quotes
- Law Quotes
- Lying Quotes
- Wisdom Quotes
- Democracy Quotes
- Office Quotes
- War Quotes
- Long Quotes
- Freedom Quotes
- Fear Quotes
- Publicity Quotes
- Country Quotes
- Liberty Quotes
- Important Quotes
- Order Quotes
- Politics Quotes