

Rene Dubos

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Human diversity makes tolerance more than a virtue; it makes it a requirement for survival.

~Rene Dubos

To ward off disease or recover health, people as a rule find it easier to depend on healers than to attempt the more difficult task of living wisely.

~Rene Dubos

Human destiny is bound to remain a gamble, because at some unpredictable time and in some unforeseeable manner nature will strike back.

~Rene Dubos

Sometimes the more measurable drives out the most important.

~Rene Dubos

The very process of living is a continual interplay between the individual and his environment, often taking the form of a struggle resulting in injury or disease.

~Rene Dubos

Each civilization has its own kind of pestilence and can control it only by reforming itself.

~Rene Dubos

It is not man the ecological crisis threatens to destroy but the quality of human life.

~Rene Dubos

There is an unbroken continuum from the wisdom of the body to the wisdom of the mind, from the wisdom of the individual to the wisdom of the race.

~Rene Dubos

The word "wilderness" occurs approximately three hundred times in the Bible, and all its meanings are derogatory.

~Rene Dubos

What happens in the mind of man is always reflected in the disease of his body.

~Rene Dubos

Man could escape danger only by renouncing adventure, by abandoning that which has given to the human condition its unique character and genius among the rest of living things.

~Rene Dubos

Eradication of microbial disease is a will-o'-the-wisp; pursuing it leads into a morass of hazy biological concepts and half truths.

~Rene Dubos

The mechanisms of vis medicatrix naturae "the most healing power of nature" are so effective that most diseases are self-terminating.

~Rene Dubos

There is a demon in technology. It was put there by man and man will have to exorcise it before technological civilization can achieve the eighteenth-century ideal of humane civilized life.

~Rene Dubos

Man shapes himself through decisions that shape his environment.

~Rene Dubos

The belief that we can manage the Earth and improve on Nature is probably the ultimate expression of human conceit, but it has deep roots in the past and is almost universal.

~Rene Dubos

Man not only survives and functions in his environment, he shapes it and he is shaped by it.

~Rene Dubos

Nature always strikes back. It takes all the running we can do to remain in the same place.

~Rene Dubos

Think globally, act locally": "Our salvation depends upon our ability to create a religion of nature.

~Rene Dubos

Men are naturally most impressed by diseases which have obvious manifestations, yet some of their worst enemies creep on them unobtrusively.

~Rene Dubos

The most important pathological effects of pollution are extremely delayed and indirect.

~Rene Dubos

Life is short, the art is long, the problems pressing.

~Rene Dubos

In man, at least, satisfaction is commonly followed by boredom.

~Rene Dubos

A sense of continuity with the rest of creation is a form of religious experience essential to sanity.

~Rene Dubos

Gauss replied, when asked how soon he expected to reach certain mathematical conclusions, that he had them long ago, all he was worrying about was how to reach them!

~Rene Dubos

...Search for the cause may be a hopeless pursuit because most disease states are the indirect outcome of a constellation of circumstances.

~Rene Dubos

... men as a rule are more preoccupied with the dangers that threaten their life than interested in the biological forces on which they depend for a constructive existence.

~Rene Dubos

One may wonder indeed whether the pretense of superior health is not itself rapidly becoming a mental aberration.

~Rene Dubos

With reference to life there is not one nature; there are only associations of states and circumstances, varying from place to place and from time to time.

~Rene Dubos

Whatever his inhibitions and tastes, Western man believes in the natural holiness of seminudism and raw vegetable juice, because these have become for him symbols of unadulterated nature.

~Rene Dubos

Wherever human beings are concerned, trend is not destiny.

~Rene Dubos

Human life implies adventure, and there is no adventure without struggles and dangers.

~Rene Dubos

Social evolution may be the result of intention, but it rarely, if ever,

produces the result intended.

~Rene Dubos

Biologically, man is still the great amateur of the animal kingdom; he is unique in his lack of anatomical and physiological specialization.

~Rene Dubos

... each type of civilization has had diseases peculiar to it and at each period the various social groups in any community also have differed in this regard.

~Rene Dubos

Human life is now molded to a large extent by the changes that man has brought about in his external environment and by his attempts at controlling body and soul.

~Rene Dubos

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