

# Wilfrid Sheed Quotes

*Writing, People, Sick, Book, Character, Suicide, Treats, Fate, Decadence,  
Pedants, Made, Palaces, Simple, War, Fans, Rest Of Your Life, Too Late, Land,  
Two, Your Side*

For Catholics before Vatican II, the land of the free was pre-eminently the land of Sister Says-except, of course, for Sister, for whom it was the land of Father Says.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Of course, history is only a muddle of facts and a fuddle of professors, and anyone who thinks it is one clear voice saying "Arise, sir Knight" deserves a life sentence in Camelot.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Saloons provide moments of genuine ecstasy - but only if your soul is at peace and the rest of your life bears contemplating. Otherwise, they are palaces of misery.

~Wilfrid Sheed

I picked up the writing on the very day he died. It was the only consolation I could find.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Suicide is about life, being in fact the sincerest form of criticism life gets.

~Wilfrid Sheed

The only reason I didn't kill myself after I read the reviews of my first book was because we have two rivers in New York and I couldn't decide which one to jump into.

~Wilfrid Sheed

The American male doesn't mature until he has exhausted all other possibilities.

~Wilfrid Sheed

If the French were really intelligent, they'd speak English.

~Wilfrid Sheed

The worse we treat people in this country, the more delicately we talk about them.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Mr Michener, as timeless as a stack of 'National Geographics,' is the ultimate Summer Writer. Just as one goes back to the cottage in Maine, so one goes back to one's Michener.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Every writer is a writer of the generation before.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Beware the fictionist writing his own life. Even candor becomes a strategy.

~Wilfrid Sheed

The spiritual life becomes very simple when you're sick.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Scott Fitzgerald is a sound you like to hear at certain times of the day, say at four in the afternoon and again late at night, and at other times it makes you slightly sick.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Mushy reviews are a breach of faith

~Wilfrid Sheed

As things now stand, the office is a slightly meaner battleground than the home. Male bosses seem to dominate their women underlings as they would never dominate their wives.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Baseball fans are pedants, there is no other kind.

~Wilfrid Sheed

The actual Irish weather report is really a recording made in 1922, which no one has had occasion to change. "Scattered showers, periods of sunshine."

~Wilfrid Sheed

Whether or not Big Brother is watching us, we certainly have to watch him, which may be even worse.

~Wilfrid Sheed

It's the old case against symbols: if you get them, they seem obvious and artificial, and if you don't, you miss the whole point.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Even the God of Calvin never judged anyone as harshly as married couples judge each other.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Mankind has always made too much of its saints and heroes, and how the latter handle the fuss might be called their final test.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Censors will try to censor a little bit more each year (because, like editors and other officious people, censors don't feel they are getting anywhere unless they are up and doing).

~Wilfrid Sheed

Books about suicide make lousy gifts.

~Wilfrid Sheed

The town is as full as ever of 'characters,' all created by each other.

~Wilfrid Sheed

Unnecessary customs live a brutally short life in America.

~Wilfrid Sheed

How does one make a movie about decadence these days? Now that we're allowed to do it, it's too late.

~Wilfrid Sheed

As you approach the presidency, no one seems worthy of it, since it wasn't designed for a human in the first place.

~Wilfrid Sheed

**Related Links:**

- Writing Quotes
- People Quotes
- Sick Quotes
- Book Quotes
- Character Quotes
- Suicide Quotes
- Treats Quotes
- Fate Quotes
- Decadence Quotes
- Pedants Quotes
- Made Quotes
- Palaces Quotes
- Simple Quotes
- War Quotes
- Fans Quotes
- Rest Of Your Life Quotes
- Too Late Quotes
- Land Quotes
- Two Quotes
- Your Side Quotes