

Clement Attlee

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Charity is a cold grey loveless thing. If a rich man wants to help the poor, he should pay his taxes gladly, not dole out money at a whim.

~Clement Attlee

No social system will bring us happiness, health and prosperity unless it is inspired by something greater than materialism.

~Clement Attlee

When we are returned to power we want to put in the statute book an act which will make our people citizens of the world before they are citizens of this country.

~Clement Attlee

Democracy means government by discussion, but it is only effective if you can stop people talking.

~Clement Attlee

If you begin to consider yourself solely responsible to a political party, you're half-way to a dictatorship.

~Clement Attlee

I believe that the foundation of democratic liberty is a willingness to believe that other people may perhaps be wiser than oneself.

~Clement Attlee

You will be judged by what you succeed at gentlemen, not by what you attempt

~Clement Attlee

A Tory minister can sleep in ten different women's beds in a week. A Labour minister gets it in the neck if he looks at his neighbour's wife over the garden fence.

~Clement Attlee

We have absolutely abandoned any idea of nationalist loyalty. We are deliberately putting a world order before our loyalty to our own country.

~Clement Attlee

Winston Churchill - fifty per cent genius, fifty per cent bloody fool.

~Clement Attlee

Russian Communism is the illegitimate child of Karl Marx and Catherine the Great.

~Clement Attlee

In a life and death struggle, we cannot afford to leave our destinies in the hands of failures.

~Clement Attlee

If the money wasted on arms could be used to help the less developed nations, that would probably be a greater blow against the Communist danger than anything else.

~Clement Attlee

A period of silence on your part would be welcome.

~Clement Attlee

A lot of clever people have got everything except judgement

~Clement Attlee

An empty taxi drew up outside 10 Downing Street and Clement Attlee got out of it.

~Clement Attlee

I must remind the right honourable gentleman that a monologue is not a decision.

~Clement Attlee

I just love Chinese food. My favourite dish is number 27.

~Clement Attlee

The real test of one's belief in the doctrine of Habeas Corpus is not when one demands its application on behalf of one's friends but of one's enemies.

~Clement Attlee

Man's material discoveries have outpaced his moral progress.

~Clement Attlee

Why does Mosley always speak as though he were a feudal landlord abusing tenants who are in arrears with their rent ?

~Clement Attlee

Fifty percent of Winston is genius, fifty percent bloody fool. He will behave like a child.

~Clement Attlee

It's nice to keep in touch - besides, it's the only place in London where you can park a car.

~Clement Attlee

The Peace Treaties must be scrapped ... I stand for no more war and no more secret diplomacy.

~Clement Attlee

The press lives on disaster.

~Clement Attlee

I think the British have the distinction above all other nations of being able to put new wine into old bottles without bursting them.

~Clement Attlee

It is dangerous to play politics with the Budget.

~Clement Attlee

The House of Lords is like a glass of champagne that has stood for five days

~Clement Attlee

Not Churchill. Sixty-five, old for a Churchill.

~Clement Attlee

Can't publish. Don't rhyme, don't scan.

~Clement Attlee

I am a diffident man. I find it hard to carry on a conversation.

~Clement Attlee

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