

# Robert Menzies

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It is a simple but sometimes forgotten truth that the greatest enemy to present joy and high hopes is the cultivation of retrospective bitterness.

~Robert Menzies

More good things in life are lost by indifference than ever were lost by active hostility.

~Robert Menzies

A man may be a tough, concentrated, successful money-maker and never contribute to his country anything more than a horrible example.

~Robert Menzies

The long-established and noble rule of Law, one of the greatest products of the character and tradition of British history, has suffered a deadly blow. Blackmail has become respectable.

~Robert Menzies

I did but see her passing by and yet I love her till I die.

~Robert Menzies

When people meet my wife they think better of me. They say: "With a wife like that, he can't be as bad as we thought".

~Robert Menzies

What Great Britain calls the Far East is to us the near north.

~Robert Menzies

Thinking ahead, what really happens to us will depend on how many people we have who are of the great and sober and dynamic middle-class - the strivers, the planners, the ambitious ones.

~Robert Menzies

Never forget posterity when devising a policy. Never think of posterity when making a speech.

~Robert Menzies

"I pay my taxes," says somebody, as if that were an act of virtue instead of one of compulsion.

~Robert Menzies

One thing about bureaucrats is that they never swallow their young. Leave them alone and you'll find them increasing every year.

~Robert Menzies

One speaks with great respect of economists, if only because they represent such a variety of opinions.

~Robert Menzies

My headmaster chastised me with a diabolical instrument a leather strap tacked to a piece of wood but he taught me with such villainous success that I am now Prime Minister.

~Robert Menzies

Considering the company I keep in this place, that is hardly surprising.

~Robert Menzies

I am one of the few men honest enough to say they do not understand women.

~Robert Menzies

Never take any notice of Anonymous letters, unless you get a few thousand on the same subject.

~Robert Menzies

A manager may be tough and practical, squeezing out, while the going is good, the last ounce of profit and dividend . . .

~Robert Menzies

Two days in this city is worth two months in New York.

~Robert Menzies

In all my life I have treated the press with marked contempt and remarkable success.

~Robert Menzies

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