

The Five Giants and the Ministers who Made a Difference

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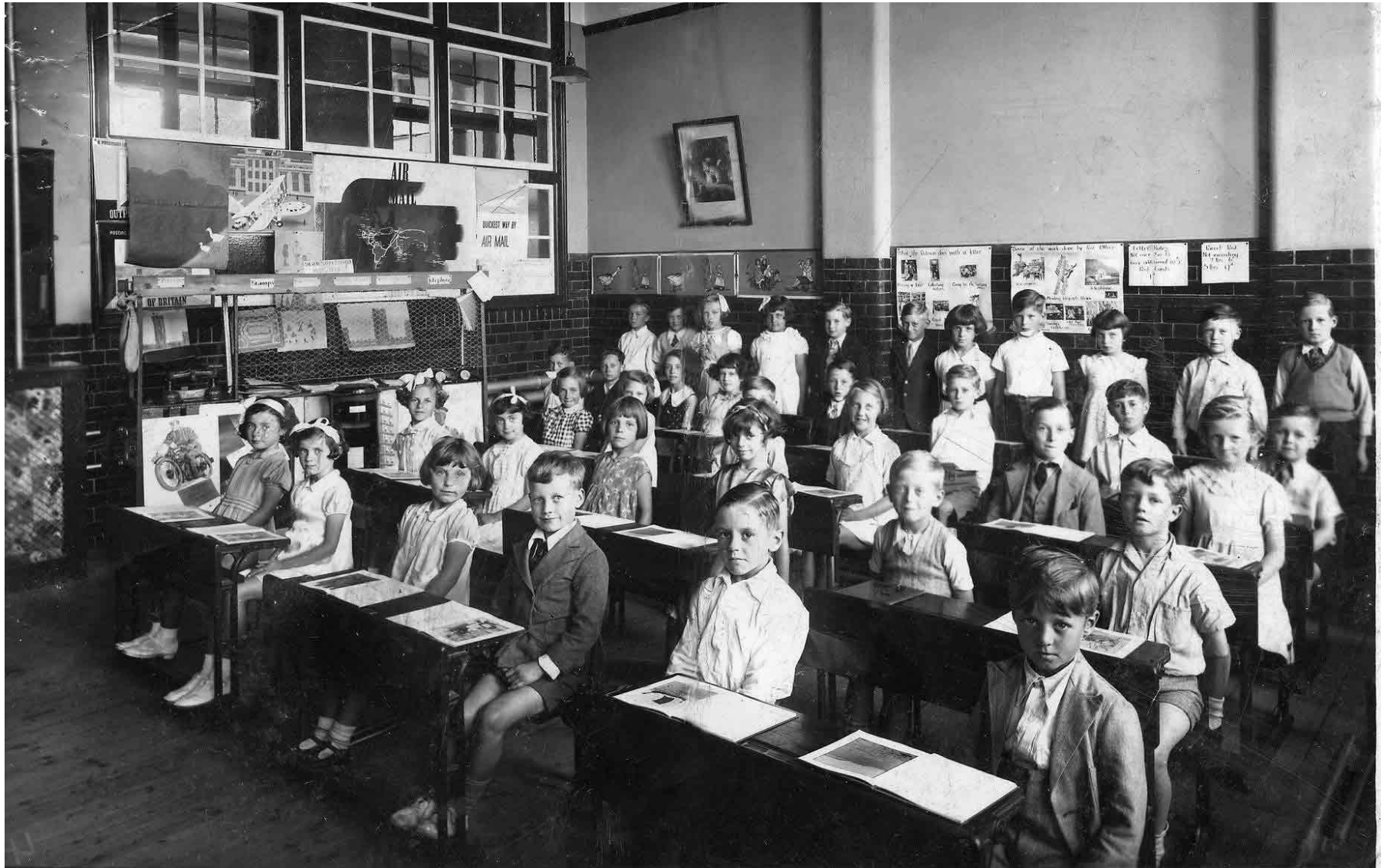
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Ignorance



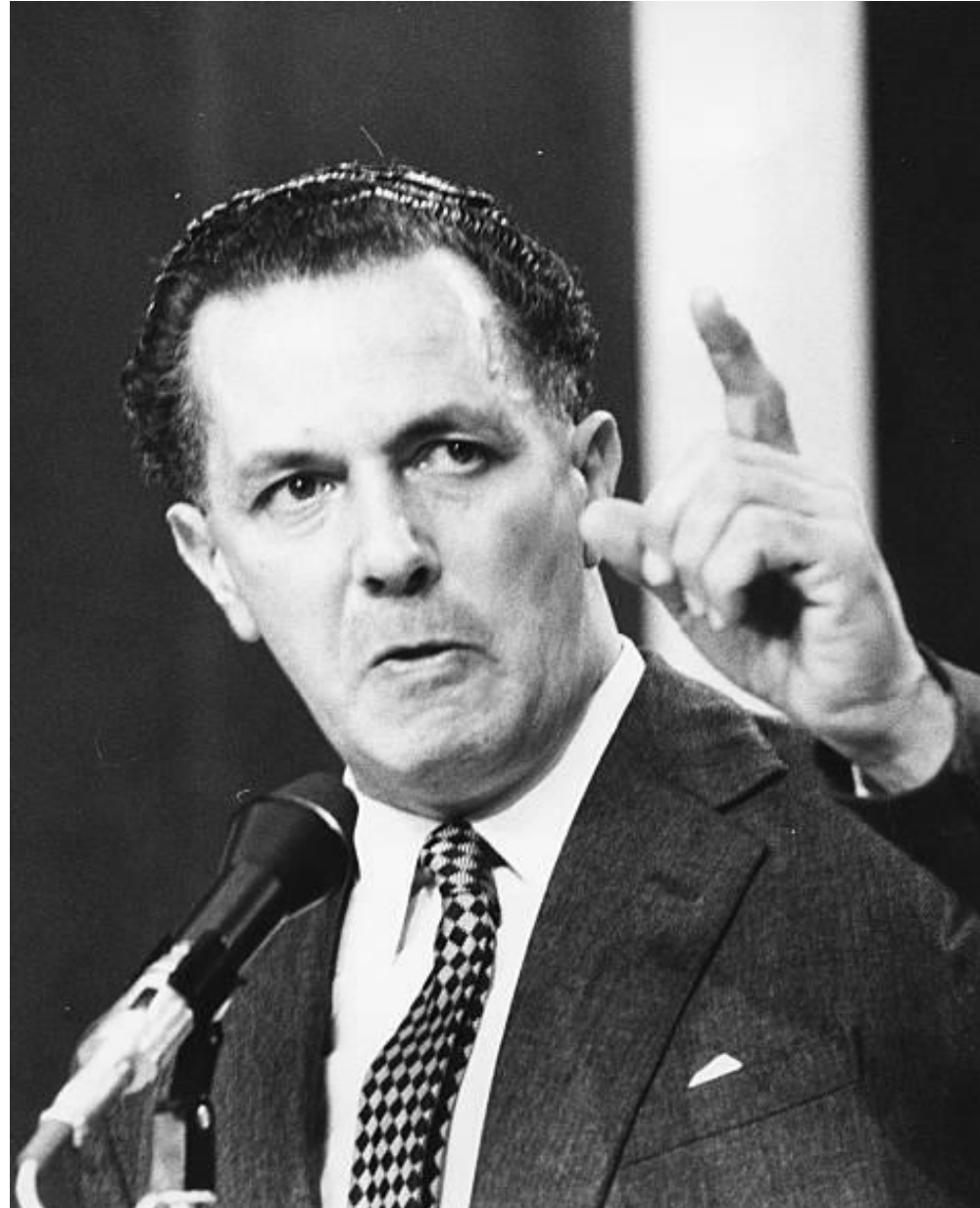
Rab Butler



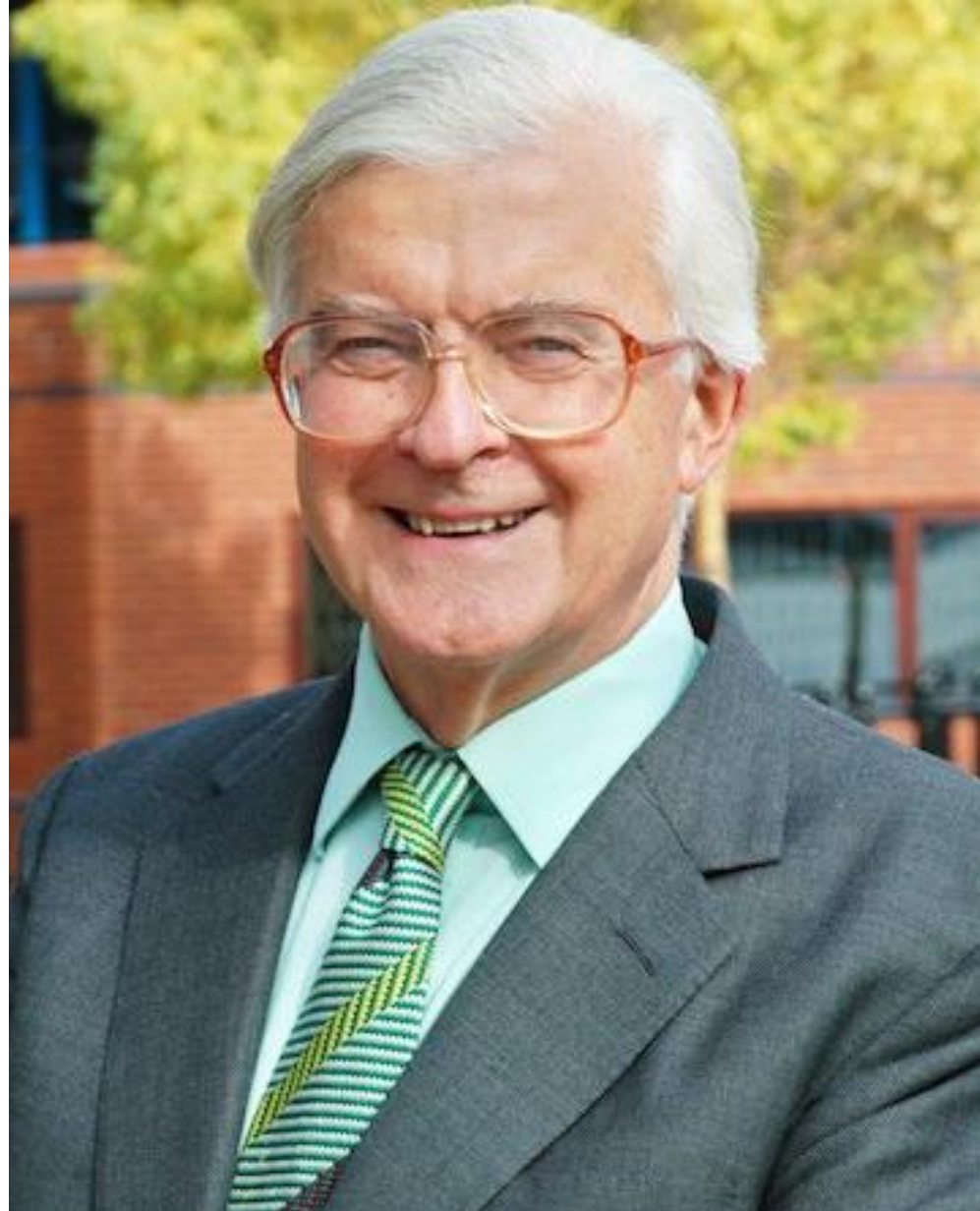
Anthony Crosland



Keith Joseph



Kenneth Baker



David Blunkett



Idleness



Clement Atlee



Margaret Thatcher



Geoffrey Howe



Kenneth Clarke



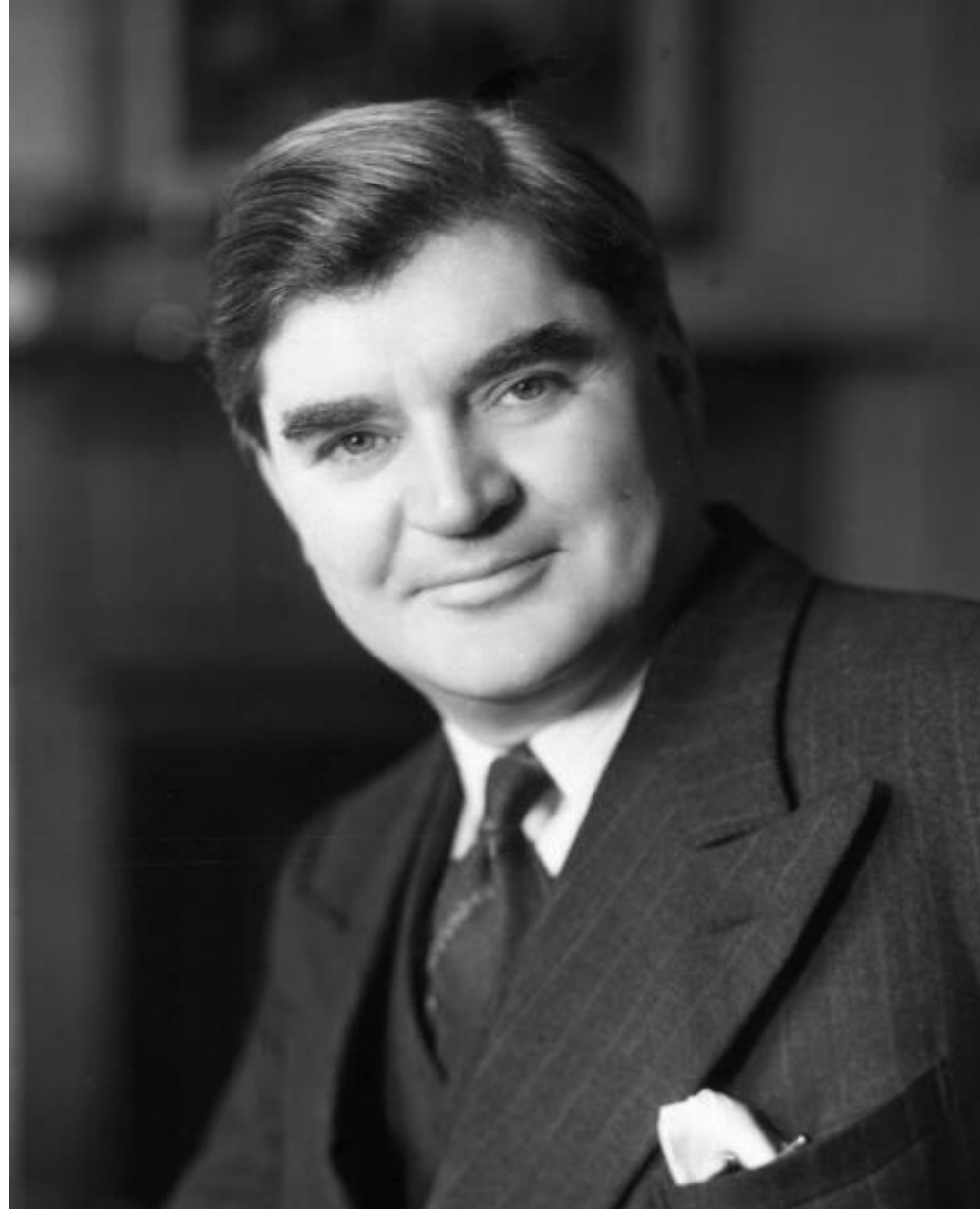
Gordon Brown



Squalor



Aneurin Bevan



Harold Macmillan



Michael Heseltine



Want



Hugh Dalton



Barbara Castle



Norman Fowler



John Hutton



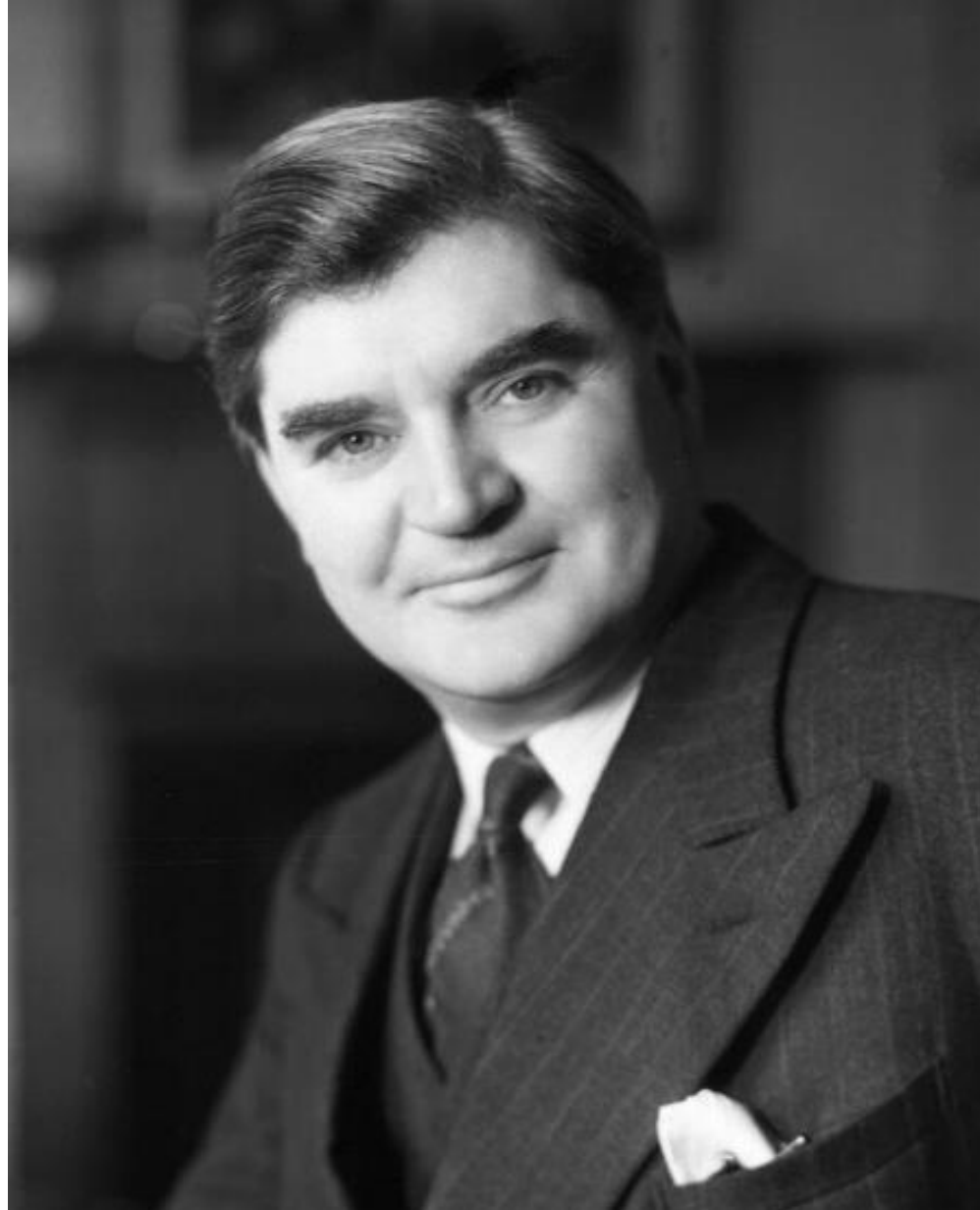
Steve Webb



Disease



Aneurin Bevan



Enoch Powell



Barbara Castle



Kenneth Clarke



Alan Milburn





What makes a ministerial giant?

Politics?

- 10 Conservatives
- 9 Labour
- 1 Lib Dem

School Education?

- 11 Public School (8 Conservative, 3 Labour)
- 4 Grammar School (2 Conservative, 2 Labour)
- 3 Comprehensive (2 Labour, 1 Lib Dem)
- 1 Special
- 1 None (post-13)

What makes a ministerial giant?

University?

- 16 Oxbridge
- 1 LSE – postgraduate. But one major omission.....

Subject?

- 9 Law
- 6 Economics (4 PPE at Oxford)

Other?

- 9 out of 9 Labour had some connection with Fabian Society (like the LSE)

Simon Stevens



Andrew Adonis







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