Political parties are a marvelous mechanism which, on the national scale, ensures that not a single mind can attend to the effort of perceiving—in public affairs—what is good, what is just, what is true. As a result—except for a small number of fortuitous coincidences—nothing is decided, nothing is executed, but measures that run contrary to the public interest, to justice and to truth.

If one were to entrust the organization of public life to the devil, he could not invent a more clever device.