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Michels

The iron law of oligarchy holds that organisation produces a leadership caste even in parties devoted to equality.

Schumpeter

Democracy is a method by which elites compete for the people's vote, not a regime in which the people decide issues directly.

Mosca

A ruling class uses organisation and political formulae to justify its monopoly of political control.

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