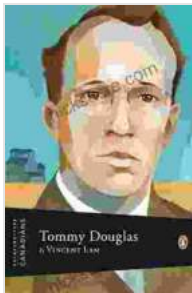


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Tommy Douglas

Tommy Douglas was born in Scotland in 1891. He immigrated to Canada with his family in 1906. Douglas worked as a teacher and a Baptist minister before entering politics. He was elected to the Saskatchewan legislature in 1935. Douglas became the premier of Saskatchewan in 1944, and he served in that position until 1961. During his time as premier, Douglas introduced a number of social reforms, including universal healthcare, free education, and workers' compensation.

Douglas was a strong advocate for social justice. He believed that all Canadians should have access to quality healthcare, education, and other essential services. Douglas was also a committed pacifist. He refused to fight in World War II, and he opposed Canada's involvement in the Vietnam War.

Douglas was a visionary leader who made a significant contribution to Canadian society. He is considered one of the most important figures in Canadian history.

Cameron Blake

Cameron Blake was born in Toronto, Ontario, in 1906. He studied law at the University of Toronto and practiced law before entering politics. Blake was elected to the House of Commons in 1940. He served in the cabinet of Prime Minister Lester Pearson from 1963 to 1968. Blake became the prime minister of Canada in 1968, and he served in that position until 1979.

Blake was a moderate Liberal who believed in consensus and compromise. He was able to work with both the left and the right to achieve his goals. Blake was a strong supporter of social justice and equality. He introduced a number of social reforms, including the Canada Pension Plan, the Guaranteed Income Supplement, and the Official Languages Act.

Blake was also a committed internationalist. He played a key role in the creation of the United Nations and the World Bank. Blake was also a strong supporter of NATO and NORAD.

Blake was a respected and effective leader who made a significant contribution to Canadian society. He is considered one of the most

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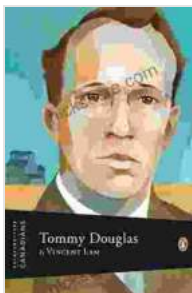
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The legacy of Douglas and Blake continues to inspire Canadians today. They are a reminder that even small actions can make a big difference. Douglas and Blake showed us that it is possible to create a more just and equitable society.

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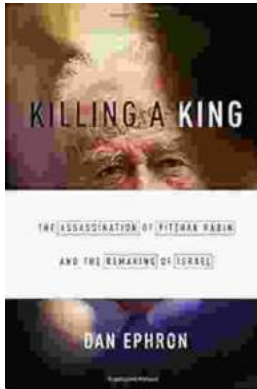
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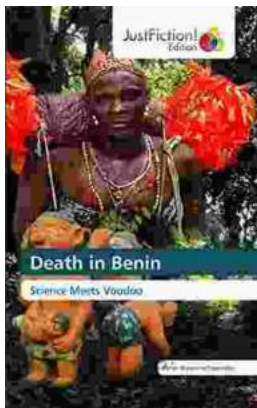
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