Subject: Iraqi Consttution
Posted by Manualblock on Mon, 17 Oct 2005 15:29:27 GMT
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Has anyone looked at this? All three regions of the country; the Sunni's/Shiites and the Kurds will be autonomous and each area will have it's own seperate army???So when will the civil war begin? Right after we leave or during the exodus?

Subject: Re: Iraqi Consttution
Posted by Bill Martinelli on Mon, 17 Oct 2005 17:50:59 GMT
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The Iraqi's are just fine as they are. We need to hand over the key to city, pat them on the back as mutter your on your won now, glad we could help, bu bye now.

Subject: Re: Iraqi Consttution
Posted by Manualblock on Mon, 17 Oct 2005 23:21:09 GMT
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I would reply but it will be you and me;... not that I mind that at all understand,.. I mean; thats fine with me...ah; you know what I mean!So in the soup back there I missed the Wankel post. When I saw your steam engine question I honestly thought you were referring to locomotive engines. Whats the deal with this new Wankel prototype; oh, and did you get the wood pellets yet? I saw the price creeping up some after there was an episode on one of the Home Shows on cable about the stoves.(The Iraqi's are all standing there with these crooked smiles on their faces waving real nicely..BYE; as they load up the Uzi's.Waiting for us to shuffle on off. Got to get those terrorists trained and deployed.)

Subject: Re: steam
Posted by Bill Martinelli on Tue, 18 Oct 2005 01:14:30 GMT
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The motor is at quasiturbine.com I'm not sure why it is as such but I see it as the inventors choice eh? It's similar to a wankel but refined I guess. I liked the old steam power because its more of a vintage thing, like tubes, vinyl, horns... There seams to be some debate if steam is efficient or not, at first folks say no, but then when you look at how much work gets done at the end of a day vs. fuel spent the situation can look remarkable. I like alternative energy but I want it to be

economically efficient also. The planet savers will have you believe you must stop green house gas et all at any cost to the consumer. I have a friend you has a good sized wind mill. It's a labor of lover for him and he will do great things for technology and society, I have no doubt. When you add up all the cost of 35-50kw wind generator, the tower, the install all the this that and the other thing. It amounts to a dollar value that is larger than you will pay the utility company in the next 30 -40 years before we die. Things like that dont work well for me. It's like trying to build a monster bass woofer in a 2 cubic foot box. It just aint gona happen! So I poke around in search of a feasible energy to mess around with. Hey, If tubes can make a come back, why not steam? More modern and safer boilers could make a big difference. I figure pellets will start to go up. they are already talking about pellet shortage this winter too. I may have to get another ton just to have around while I can get the things. probably take deliver on the thing in November.

Subject: Re: steam
Posted by Mike.e on Tue, 18 Oct 2005 01:32:25 GMT
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I find that the 'greens' are very fundamentalist. This isnt bad in itself,but the vast majority of people will never adhere to such views,but take the less extreme versions. I think it starts with education in primary schools.I have some family which have recently bought some land 15miles inland from a small town,where they will life for the most part via solar heating/panels etc. Big expense at first,but in the long run worth it. Energy costs here are the same in winter as in summer now,15c/kwhr. Partly caused by the hydro dam cycles.I remember when we used to have a season of half that!If we all went nuclear power,the world would run out of fissible material in a few lifetimes,theres no one answer. People need to get out of this consumable 1yr life span thinking cycle,which will be nearly impossible.Saw a documentary on people in papau new guinea,who live in tree huts or floating sod earth floating on swamps,living the same way they always have. Quite inspiring.Mike.e

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Subject: pics
Posted by Mike.e on Tue, 18 Oct 2005 01:38:48 GMT
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Posted by Mike.e on Tue, 18 Oct 2005 01:40:32 GMT
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Listened to 'bbc quick guide to the iraqi constitution'on national radio - No mention of these armies ,focussed more on womens rights etc!Must admit,in a day of national radio listening,I learned more than a month of tv!

Subject: Re: steam
Posted by Bill Martinelli on Tue, 18 Oct 2005 02:04:39 GMT
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Mike,How ya been, I think your right. There is no one answer. I think some of the answers lay in new technology and conservation. There is a lot of waste in todays life. I remember when I was a kid in the 60's and 70's parants would not have every light on, only had one tv. either the stereo of thetv was on. That kind of thing. I swear I must use 3 times the energy in my house for electricity now. I think my parents do too! The only savings has been in heatig systems which are now in the low 90% vs old stuff @ 50-60%Fantastic photos by the way. fantasticbill

Subject: Re: steam
Posted by Mike.e on Tue, 18 Oct 2005 02:15:21 GMT
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Ive been great,ive had a lightweight semester,so had time to read alot about audio,and look at producing subwoofers just locally.I do that too,try not to waste. We all use electric heaters here.I see heatpumps are being installed into new houses,its the installation costs which hurt. NZ is already marginal with power consumed vs produced! We had the 60s think big projects,but have done nothing since - it must be the 'now' thinking of the politicians.Mike.e

Subject: Re: Iraqi Consttution
Posted by Manualblock on Tue, 18 Oct 2005 12:03:27 GMT
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It's in the language of the draft constitution. Three autonomous regions with the right to form a standing army for each.

Subject: Re: steam
Posted by Manualblock on Tue, 18 Oct 2005 12:15:22 GMT
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Yeah; the windmill thing is very big here on Long Island only because they will not allow any new power plants to be built. As far as personal power production there isn't any viable cost effective way to generate power around here for the little guy. Maybe in New Mexico where the sun shines 350 days or in the upper midwest where it is windy 24/7. Remmember you can sell the excess back to the power company so that helps a little.In my first house I had Solar Hot Water. It just provided hot water for the sink and showers, no connection to the boiler. It had it's own tank. But it worked well; from the end of May until the End of Sept. I could shut off the boiler and run all my hot water from the Solar Panels.I think the technology is almost there to create mass market power supply systems for the homeowner. Solar Cells look promising but at this time they only provide a 15% conversion factor; not so fine! Steam is good; unless it blows up. (just kidding)Steam does have a pretty high efficiency rating though doesn't it?