

FRUIT RAFTS

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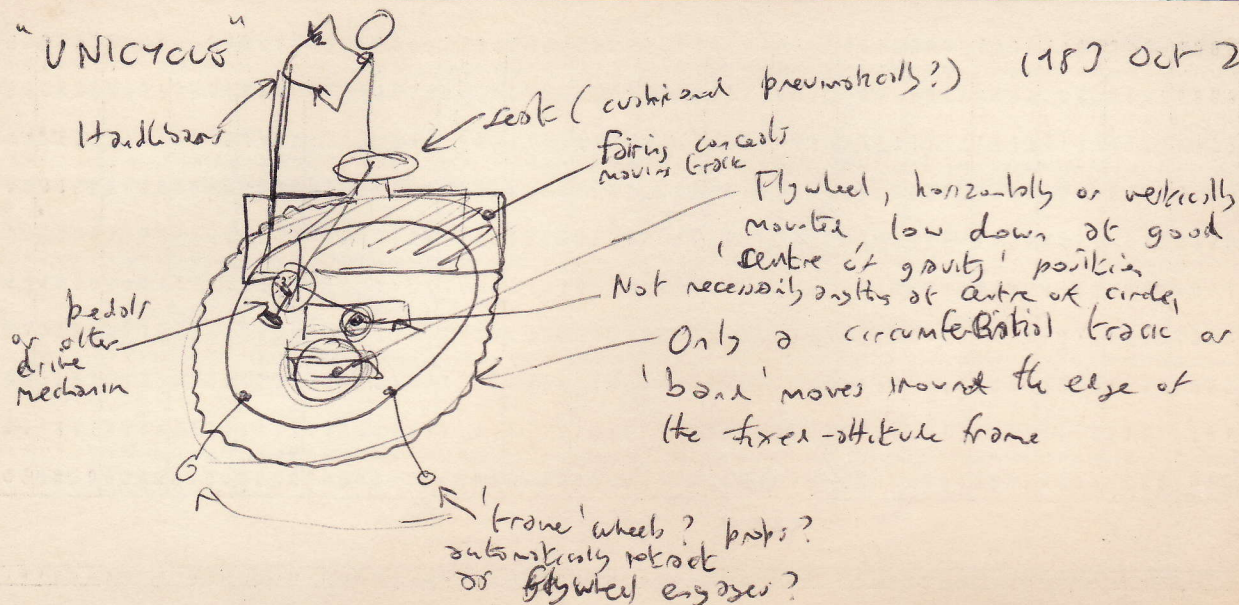
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Land is expensive. It would be possible to have large rafts growing, eg, tropical fruits, which were anchored and moved around according to climatic conditions. Sea around shore give even climate swings, but on colder season approach rafts could be moved towards the tropics, brought back towards temperate markets at fruiting time.

The rafts could be based on the polystyrene foam/mangrove concept considered earlier. Sea 'lakes' could be used for water storage, for irrigation.

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'Quality circles', worker-run groups to monitor and improve quality, have proved a great success in manufacturing industry, and are supposed to be the key to Japanese success in this area.

The same concept should be applicable everywhere - in business, education, government, welfare, medicine - anywhere there is a consumer and a producer.

Note: [IBM Quarterly/1985 June] - important thing is to achieve a result below the 'complaint threshold' of a hard but fair customer - fine ~~is~~ the level below which the customer cannot distinguish a fault or at least match that. Further precision below that level costs, however, be valuable in reducing costs.