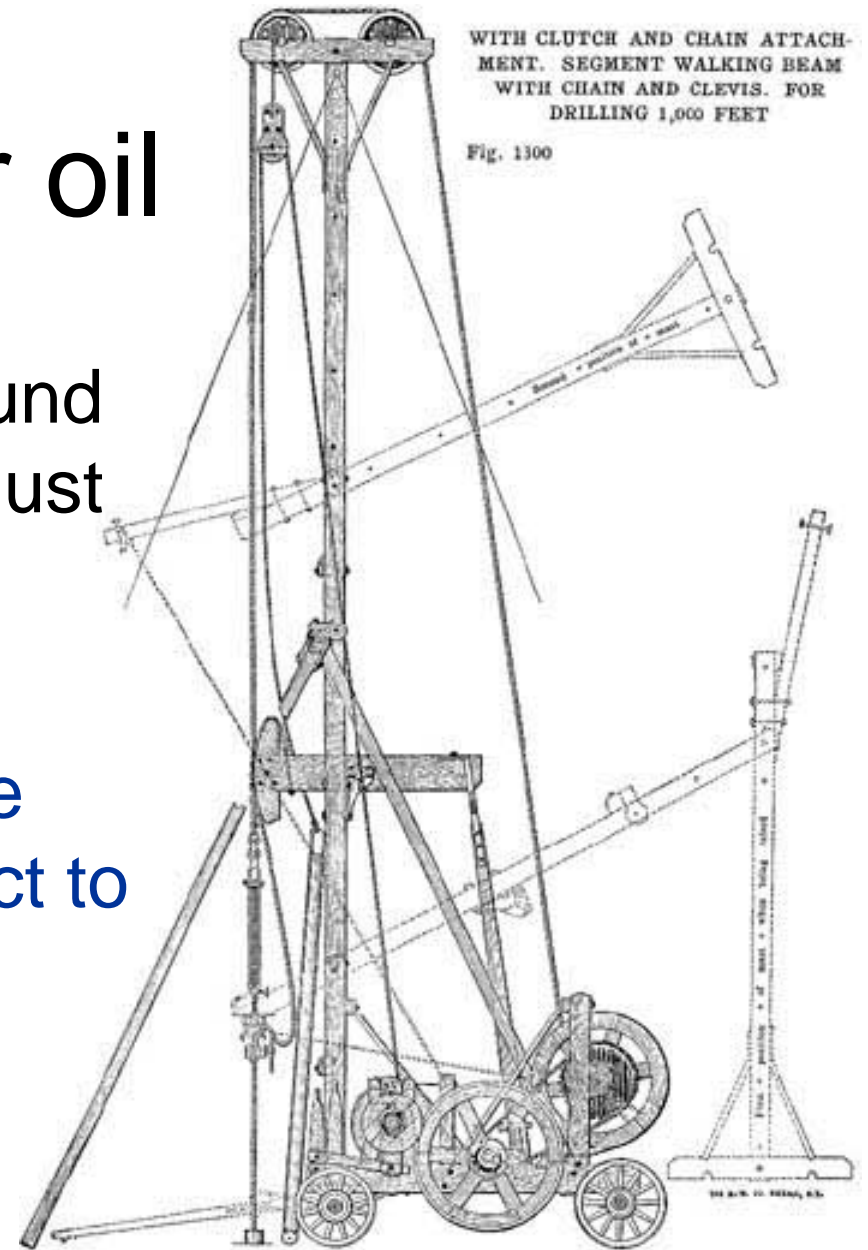


Wrong Predictions

Drill for oil

You mean drill into the ground to try and find oil? You must be crazy!

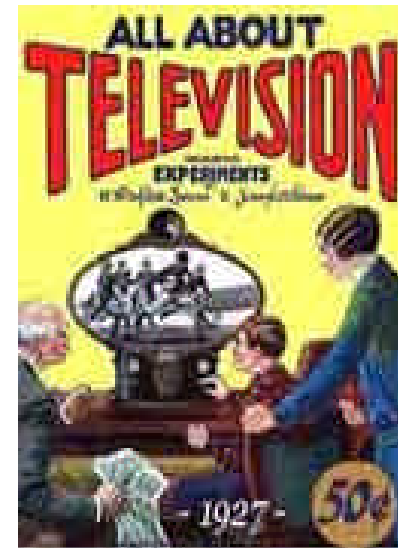
Drillers who Edwin L. Drake tried to enlist to his project to drill for oil in 1859



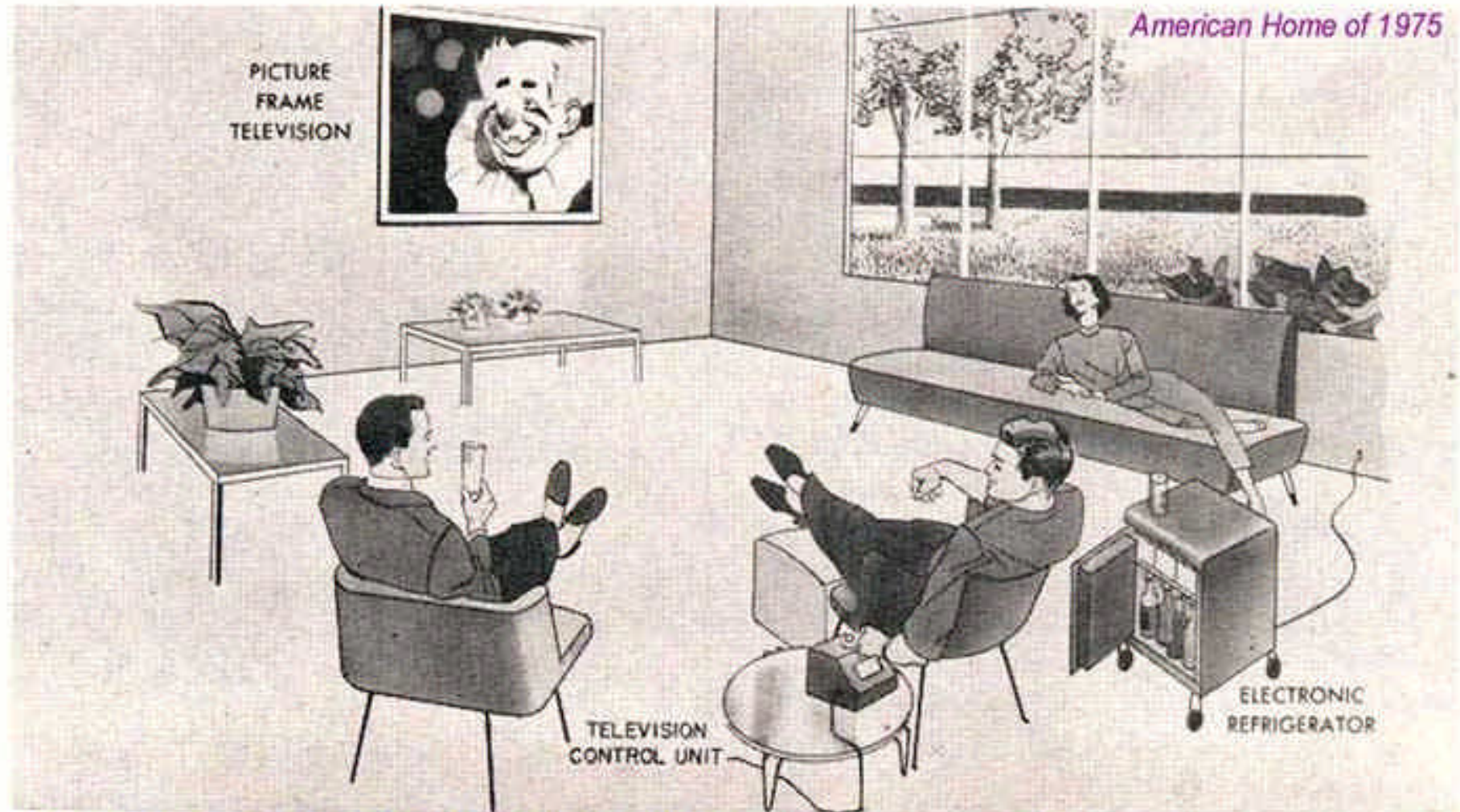
Television

"While theoretically and technically television may be feasible, commercially and financially I consider it an impossibility, a development on which we need waste little time dreaming."

Lee de Forest,
"father of radio", 1926



Picture frame TV, electronic refrigeration and remote electronic controls illustrated in this RCA sketch of the American living room of 1975 are just a few of the amazing devices which will provide conveniences for the consumer, and servicing opportunities for qualified technicians. During the coming years, and even effective in many areas today, the rapidly growing use of communications and electronic control equipment in industry will offer many attractions.

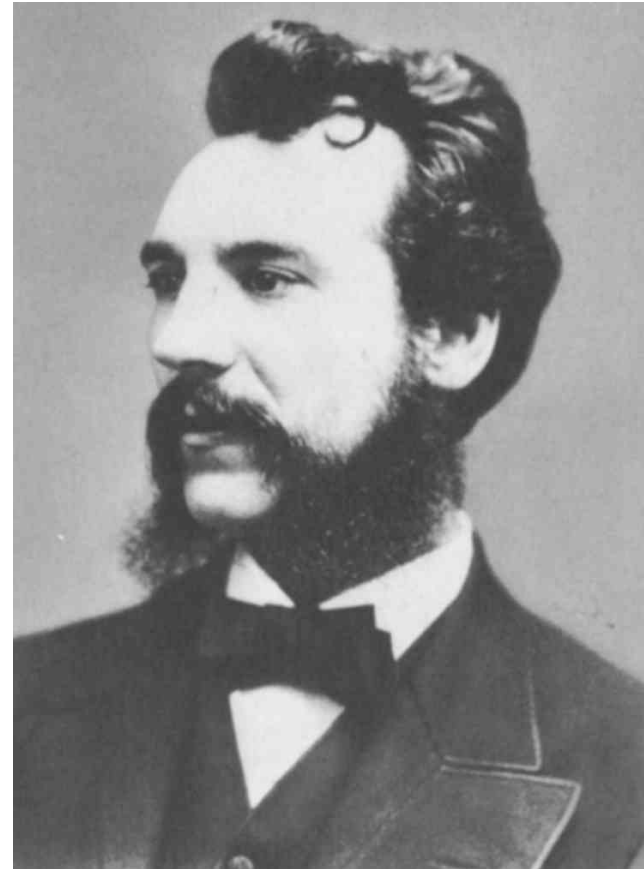


Flat-Screen TV Prediction in 1955

Telephone

"One day there will be
a telephone in
every major city in
the USA"

Alexander Graham
Bell, c.1880



Computer

"I think there is a world market for as many as 5 computers."



Thomas Watson,
head of IBM, 1943.

Computer...

Computers in the future may weigh no more than
1.5 tons

Popular Mechanics, 1949.

"There is no reason anyone would want a
computer in their home."

Ken Olsen, founder of Digital, 1977

Aircraft

"Aircraft are interesting toys, but of no military value."

Marshal Foch, France, 1912.





Horse

"The horse is here to stay, but the automobile is only a novelty."

President of Michigan Savings Bank, 1903,
advising Henry Ford's lawyer not to invest in
the Ford Motor Company.

Helicopter

"Automobiles will start to decline as soon as the last shot is fired in World War 2. Instead of a car in every garage, there will be a helicopter."



Harry Bruno, aviation publicist, 1943.



Patents

We recently heard that in the late 1800's it was suggested that the United States Patent Office be closed because, "Everything that can be invented has been!"

Electric light

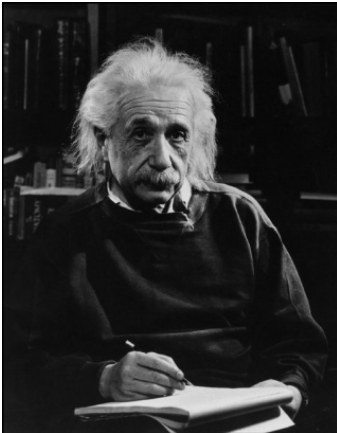
“When the Paris Exhibition closes, electric light will close with it and no more be heard of.”

Erasmus Wilson, professor at Oxford University, 1878

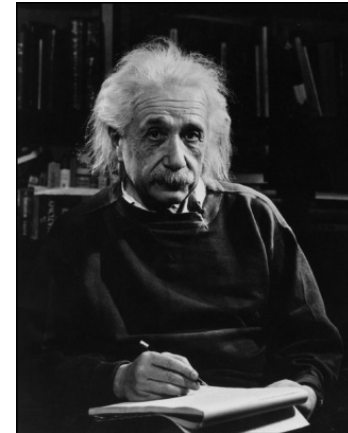


Nuclear Energy

“There is not the slightest indication that nuclear energy will ever be obtainable. It would mean that the atom would have to be shattered at will.”



Albert Einstein,
physicist, 1932.



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