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Alan,

There is a book on Switzerland's democracy written by Gregory Fossedal. I haven't read it, but he also wrote an article about starting a democracy in Iraq modeling it on the Swiss system. It is at this address:
http://www.adti.net/html_files/swiss/ConsiderSwiss_041503.htm.
He says some of the same things you say in your email, but I especially liked this statement:

"Switzerland didn't adopt direct democracy in the 19th century because its citizens were highly advanced. Its citizens became highly advanced because the country adopted direct democracy."

Steve