Cheers (and jeers) for Manhattan West Side "convention corridor" (architects are not named in any of the articles we read). -- Milwaukee's urban landscape and mayoral candidates: inspiration needed. -- Historic presentation in Philadelphia under fire, and 3 cheers for new stadium. -- An inside look at the battles and debates in building Melbourne's Federation Square. -- Malta deals with historic preservation and adaptive reuse. -- Big plans for Edinburgh's Odeon. -- Modernism made fresh in new Chicago towers. -- Call for entries: Urban Public Space competition. -- How to win prizes and make money without building anything. -- Hadid and Libeskind together on Monday. -- Hadid hits Chicago in May. -- A Dutch architect is a hit in Istanbul. -- The "Great Wheelee Bin War" of Edinburgh. "Never in the field of city planning has such a great battle been fought so passionately by so many, over a receptacle for household rubbish." -- An Italian architect 600 years later and still a leader.

Facing Long Road, West Side Makeover Gets a Big Sendoff: $2.8 billion stadium and convention center expansion...still has a long way to go. - Heinlein Schrock Stearns; Kohn Pedersen Fox; HOK- New York Times

A deal too good to be true: Being athletic supporters is one thing. But using billions in taxpayer dollars to give millionaire players and millionaire owners a new gold-plated, subsidized riverfront home? ...especially if it means handing over...one of the finest open patches of Manhattan left to build on.- NY Newsday

(Mayoral) Candidates share interest in urban landscape: But their blueprints for change lack inspiration, drive of predecessor. By Whitney Gould-Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Official in Philly Targets Preservation Controls: City Council member has introduced a bill that critics say could virtually stop historic preservation efforts in the city by taking controls away from the city's Historical Commission.-Washington Post

[Baseball] Park designed in Phila. style: Neither fully retro nor fully modern in design, it is something in between - and something unique to Philadelphia. - Ewing Cole- Courier-Post (New Jersey)

Inside Federation Square: ...there's a story of battles, disputes and decisions, as the creative vision of the architects clashed with the demands of time and budget. - Lab Architecture Studio; Bates Smart [images & video]- ABC Arts (Australia)

Clash of cultures paves the way to Cottonera renovation of Treasury Building approval - Edwin Mintoff-Malta Independent

Curtain up on plans for landmark Odeon cinema: Three leading Edinburgh architects have drawn up their visions...mixed-use plans for the site including cafes, retail and flats. - Richard Murphy Architects; Lee Boyd Architects; Oliver Chapman- The Scotsman (UK)

New high-rise heralds revival of modernism: There's something fresh and wonderful...an exposed concrete condominium that's butterfly light rather than tombstone heavy. By Blair Kamin - Ralph Johnson/Perkins & Will; Lucien Lagrange; Brininstool + Lynch- Chicago Tribune

Call for Entries: Third European Prize for Urban Public Space. Deadline: April 19- Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona (CCCB)

Do Unbuilt Architects Get Paid? How an architect who produces countless designs but few buildings can be a success. - Zaha Hadid- Slate

Panel March 29 @ Columbia University: "Signature Buildings" with Aaron Betsky, Zaha Hadid, Daniel Libeskind, and Joseph Giovannini- American Federation of Arts

Architect who won Pritzker set to speak at Art Institute of Chicago on May 4.- Chicago Tribune

Adriaan Geuze/West 8, the Curator of II. Rotterdam Architecture Biennale, Met with Architects in Istanbul March 22- Arkitera Architecture Center (Istanbul)

Thinking outside the bin: Never in the field of [Edinburgh] city planning has such a great battle been fought so passionately by so many, over a receptacle for household rubbish [images]- The Scotsman (UK)

Leaders & Success: Architect Leon Battista Alberti (1404-72)- Investor's Business Daily

Musical Catalyst: Detroit's Max M. Fisher Music Center sparks downtown redevelopment - Diamond and Schmitt Architects [images]- ArchNewsNow

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