In post-quake Christchurch, architects will have to accept that people probably won't want to work in high-rise towers any more.

An architecture and urban planning historian offers a (most interesting) perspective on Cairo's Tahrir Square and the importance of a public space being a "critical factor leading to the success of the revolution."

More U.K. firms pull out of Libya + A Libyan author "accuses architects of being ‘insincere’ in their reaction to crisis.*

We are saddened by the news that the Charlottesville Community Design Center has closed its doors after 7 years (with hopes it will continue at some point).

Kotkin on which U.S. cities are the "biggest brain magnets" (some surprises), and why others "have suffered high levels of domestic outmigration."

A landmarked block on Louisville's Whiskey Row faces the wrecking ball (with some hopes they might suffer only façadechtomies); the irony: demolition could take place during the National Trust for Historic Preservation's National Preservation Month.

"Cynical" architects turned blind eye to evils of Gaddafi regime: Libyan author Hisham Matar accuses architects of being 'insincere' in their reaction to crisis - BD/Building Design (UK)

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Architects believe no more high-rise buildings will go up in Christchurch after last week's earthquake...also expect tougher national standards for strengthening older buildings...most modern buildings performed well...but architects had to accept that people simply would not want to work in high-rise towers any more. -- Peter Marshall/Warren & Mahoney; Stephen Thurman; New Zealand Institute of Architects - New Zealand Herald

The U.S.' Biggest Brain Magnets: College graduates are heading in droves to Raleigh, Austin and, surprisingly, New Orleans...in the past 10 years "hip and cool" places like New York have suffered high levels of domestic outmigration. By Joel Kotkin - Forbes

Paved Paradise along Whiskey Row: Louisville's new mayor okay's demolition of landmarked block: In a blow to preservationists and the local landmarks commission, the city has granted its demolition, to take place this May during the National Trust for Historic Preservation's National Preservation Month. [images]- The Architect's Newspaper

V&A extension shortlist revealed:...seven practices vying to design a new courtyard and underground extension... -- Michael Maltzan Architecture; Tony Fretton; Jamie Fobert; Amanda Levete; Heneghan Peng; Snøhetta/Gareth Hoskins Architects [images, links to info]- The Architects' Journal (UK)

Thomas Heatherwick On China's Building Boom, 'Soulless' Architecture, And More: "Rather than thinking of a building as unique to its place, I've seen the same kinds of buildings built in cold Canada as Abu Dhabi. What's the point in traveling if what you arrive at is similar?" [link to TEDTalk]- Huffington Post

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