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I had a hard time believing it for a while, but it looks as though they weren't kidding: the Hunter College School of Social Work is indeed moving to 119th and Third.

After demolition of five or six buildings - some I was sorry to see go, others not so much - the site is full of cranes digging away, even on the weekends. Are we in a hurry already?

It's difficult to imagine what that stretch of Third is going to be like once the construction is finally finished, they say sometime in 2011. Already, there is that new apartment building across the street, two more going up a block away, and nearby businesses that had been vacant for months are showing signs of life as new tenants paint and organize behind brown-papered windows.

I'm wondering if the broccoli rabe showing up in the produce department of the ever-evolving Associated at 121st and Third has anything to do with these winds of change.

