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The Work on the New Stadium Has Been Delayed—The Students Will Be Back On the Job.

Prof. Lindsay Malcolm, in charge of the construction of the new stadium, on Union street, informed the Whig on Wednesday, that he expected in the course of a couple of days to start drawing the filling-in material to the new campus.

Due to condition over which he had no control, the work has been held up for a week later than he expected. It is difficult to get a sufcient amount of rails to lay on the campus and the streets to conect up with the line of the street railroad. After endeavoring to get some rails in Kingston he was compelled to send to Deseronto where he was able to get enough. Now that the rails have been secured the trouble of getting it to Kingston has to be contended with. He expected that it would be here on Thursday at the very latest. As soon as the rails arrive it will only be a matter of a couple of days until all the steel is placed in order.

On account of there being such a large hole on the south side of the campus it will be necessary to build trestle work on which the cars will run. Prof. Malcolm has arranged to get dump cars so that time will not be wasted in loading or discharging them. Many of the students who signed up to work on the construction work have gone home for a few holidays but will be back not later than May 15th. As soon as all the fillings-in material is put in place expert men will be engaged to seed and level the ground. An expert brought to the city, stated that if games were to be played on the field this fall it would be necessary to have the seed sown not later than about the first of June.

When asked about the rink Prof. Malcolm stated that the work on it would not be undertaken until the stadium is well underway. It is not nearly as difficult a job to build the rink as it will be the stadium. Prof. Malcolm will not state as to the site of the new rink but it is generally understood to be on the site of the present rink.

Many of the students who have engaged to work on the stadium have arranged with Marshall Reid, who runs the cafeteria at the university, to get their meals.

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DEATH AT HARROWSMITH.

Byron Warner Snyder Had Been Ailing for Few Months.

Harrowsmith, May 11.—The community was saddened on Friday, May 7th by the death of Byron Warner Snyder which occurred early that evening. For the past few months Mr. Snyder has steadily failed in health but kept up a brave fight to the last.

Mr. Snyder was born at Verona forty-four years ago, and was the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey J. Snyder. On September 8th, 1914, he was married to Miss Myrtle Lees, who is left with two little sons, to mourn her sad loss.

Warner Snyder was a man of sterling qualities and was held in high esteem by all who knew him. Neighbors and friends alike bear testimony to his upright life and Christian character.

The funeral was held in the Methodist church, Harrowsmith, Sunday afternoon, and was conducted by the pastor, Rev. A. W. Stewart, who took for his text James 4:14: "What is your life?" The church was filled with sympathizing friends. During the service Mr. Slesser sang as a solo, "My Task," by Ashford.

The floral offerings included the following wreaths and sprays: Wreaths, James Albert Snyder (brother), Mrs. Snyder (wife), Mr. and Mrs. John Johnston, Kingston; Star, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Snyder (father and mother); Sheaf, Mrs. C. Davey (sister); Spray, Miss Ruby Connors. The remains were taken to Verona and placed in the vault there. The sincere sympathy of all goes out to the family in their hour of bereavement.

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Britain Is Not Likely To Sell Either Bermuda Or West Indian Colonies

EVERY decade or so some one suggests that the United States should buy several of the British West Indian islands, or perhaps the Bermuda group. The suggestion creates some excitement among the islanders, and a varying amount of discussion on the part of American statesmen and naval officers; after that it drops out of sight, like many other international questions that are of no immediate importance.

Recently the proposal has been revived on both sides of the Atlantic. Lord Rothermere, brother of Lord Northcliffe, has suggested that the British West Indies be sold to the United States to help balance Great Britain's war debt to that country, amounting to more than $4,000,000,000, and a similar suggestion has been made by William G. McAdoo, ex-Secretary of the Treasury, who is anxious to find a way of enabling Europe to pay off her indebtedness to America.

At the same time, Senator William S. Kenyon of Iowa comes forward with a suggestion that the President be asked by the Senate to undertake negotiations with the British Government looking to the acquisition by the United States of the Bermuda Islands, which lie almost due east from Charleston, S.C., are about two days' sail from New York in a southeasterly direction, and have long been regarded as the principal North Atlantic naval station in the chain which Great Britain has established around the globe. Perhaps Halifax, N.S., would dispute this claim; nevertheless, Bermuda is a station which American naval men have coveted since Revolutionary days, hence one of the reasons for Senator Kenyon's resolution, which has been referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Within the last twenty-five years the United States has slowly improved its naval position in the West Indies. The Spanish-American War made Porto Rico an American colony and gave Uncle Sam Guantanamo Bay in Cuba as a naval training station which is used by the Atlantic fleet in winter. Then the opening of the Panama Canal provided additional security, and finally the United States acquired the Danish West Indies (St. Thomas and St. Croix), now the Virgin Islands, by purchase, thus obtaining bases for the protection of the canal.

American naval experts have always coveted Bermuda, and during the Great War they had an opportunity to test some of their theories relating to the colony's strategic value. They established a base at Bermuda for small craft, and the American submarine chasers, tugs and mine sweepers were supplied there on their way to Europe via the Azores, where another base was in operation. Thus the small ships went across the Atlantic by the longer but safer southern route, using Bermuda as their first way station going over and their last on the return voyage.

London despatches say that there is no intention on the part of the British Government to consider the cession of any of its West Indian possessions or Bermuda to the United States. Even if Great Britain seriously considered such a move it would be necessary first of all to consult the wishes of the people of the islands. Self-determination is more than a phrase in British colonies as old as Bermuda or Barbados and Jamaica, and no British Government would attempt to barter their future out of hand, and for very good reasons.

Bermuda disputes with Newfoundland the distinction of being the oldest British colony. The Bermudians have a distinct political entity. They have made their own laws since 1620, when their Parliament — the oldest legislative body next to the mother Parliament at Westminster — came into existence. The British Government demands nothing of them. They pay no taxes or tribute to Great Britain, and acknowledge only the British Government's right to send them a military and civil governor, whose constitutional powers are limited. In return for the protection of the British army and navy the Bermudians give their allegiance to Britain, and being British by birth and tradition they are satisfied to remain a part of the British Empire, although union with the United States would undoubtedly give them certain commercial advantages which they do not now possess, because while their natural market is New York it offers restrictions in the way of tariff schedules.

But the commercial argument would not outweigh the fact that Bermuda is content as a British colony, and if the question of union with the United States were put to a popular vote there is no doubt that the majority would be opposed to a change in allegiance.

Again, Canada would doubtless have to be considered. Canada has an eye on the West Indies as a market for her products and an outlet for her surplus capital, and the question of giving the Dominion control over the islands has arisen more than once. Canada now buys great quantities of West Indian sugar and gives in exchange farm products and manufactured articles. Union with the Dominion might prove of advantage to the West Indies, provided that Canada could offer the same military protection which Great Britain provides for her colonies.

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A New Race In Australia.

While the aborigines, the native inhabitants of Australia, are disappearing, a new race of half-caste is springing up and showing industry and intelligence. With twenty-eight years of service among the blacks in the Gulf of Carpentaria as his justification, the Rev. N. Hey predicts that this half-caste population will ultimately make the best north-east. His range of observation is about 3,600 square miles, but Australia does not take his observation seriously.

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