

The foundation is laid for a new senior citizen apartment complex adjacent to Meinig Park. Cedar Park Gardens will offer 20 units to local seniors by next summer.

Senior housing project underway

When Ginny and Averytt Brewster applied to the Farm Home Administration (FmHA) for a loan to build a senior citizen apartment complex in Sandy, officials there told them they would have to show need for such a project in the city.

Their plan called for a 20-unit complex and they provided FmHA with 40 interested applicants, twice necessary. The project, on

McCormick Drive adjacent to Meinig Park, has now seen ground broken and construction is underway.

The \$675,000 project will feature 18 one-bedroom apartments for local seniors—two designed specifically for handicapped residents, as per FmHA requirements—and two two-bedroom apartments, one of which will be an office for the manager of the complex.

The five-building complex will feature a community center, with a wood stove for heat in case of

emergencies, for local gatherings, and private patios for each resident, an advantage for those who wish to plant their own garden or spend some time outdoors.

Improvements are planned to outdoor spaces, including berry bushes and fruit trees, along with space for individual gardening spots for residents which they can attend to adjacent to their apartments.

The project, which is expected to be completed by April 1 by Muters Construc-

tion of Gresham, a firm with experience building FmHA dwellings, will feature a covered walkway between buildings and a close proximity to the downtown Sandy area for seniors without a car.

The project gave a helping hand to city of Sandy coffers, hampered by a slowdown in the housing market.

Eligible seniors must be more than 60 years old and in a low-income bracket. Rents are subsidized by FmHA.

Man guilty in bombing case

A Gresham man plead guilty recently in federal court to a charge of bombing a Portland tavern in an attempt to extort \$450,000 from a Sandy businessman.

Robert Glenn Brill, 26, was one of two "John Does" identified in an earlier indictment which also charged Beaverton School Board member Jason Hachler with extortion and conspiracy.

Brill, who plead guilty Nov. 25 to the extortion charge before U.S. District Judge James Redden, was released on his own recognizance and is scheduled to be sentenced in January. He faces 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

The bomb blast at the Fat Little Rooster Tavern, 1629 SE Hawthorne Blvd., occurred at 3:45 a.m. July 10. Owner David McKinnon

is the son of Sandy businessman Angus McKinnon, the target of the extortion attempt.

No injuries occurred in the bombing.

Brill was not charged in connection with an earlier pipe bomb explosion outside the bedroom window of the elder McKinnon's home.

Hachler remains free after posting \$100,000 bail,

federal authorities said. A third person remains at large and fourth person also may be charged.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Ellen Rosenblum said Brill first denied, then confessed to his participation in the extortion attempt. He is expected to be called as a witness as part of an agreement worked out between his attorney and Rosenblum.

Teen-agers cited for trespassing

Three Sandy teen-agers were cited by Sandy police last Wednesday after they broke into an abandoned house on Pioneer Boulevard.

Police cited a 16-year-old male for criminal trespassing and criminal mischief, another 16-year-old male with criminal trespassing and carrying dangerous weapons, and a 14-year-old male for criminal trespass in connection with the incident at 10 a.m.

The three youths were released to their parents.

Last Tuesday, Tony Scott Henderson, 18, of Welches was cited for shoplifting by Sandy police after personnel at Williams Thriftway told police that a person had taken a can of sardines, valued at 63 cents.

Also on Tuesday, police investigated an early-morning traffic accident at the intersection of Ten Eyck Road and Pleasant Street that injured a Boring man.

According to police reports, Charles F. Young was injured at approximately 1:05 a.m. when his vehicle crashed into the embankment. He was treated at Gresham Community Hospital.

Shawn William Lundquist, 20, of Portland was taken to Clackamas County Jail Tuesday after he was arrested in the parking lot

adjacent to Sandy City Hall at 10:30 p.m. and charged with disorderly conduct.

Friday, Virgil Floyd Clark of Portland was cited for an illegal lane change after the vehicle he was driving collided with one driven by Gary Lee Brandon of Sandy. Both men were driving east on Pioneer Boulevard near

Wolf Drive at 7:08 a.m. when the accident occurred.

Sunday, Sandy police took James E. McClara, 19, of Sandy to the Clackamas County Jail on an assault charge at 5:17 p.m. The police transported McClara at the request of the victim who made a citizen's arrest.

Optimists start branch for women

The need has surfaced in the Sandy Optimist Club before, but now club members are doing something about it.

A new Women's Optimist Club of Sandy to help coordinate efforts with the men's group will hold a formative meeting at T.J.'s Fireside Dining next Thursday, Dec. 17, at 7:30 p.m.

Officers from the men's group will be present to orient the new members and illustrate the purposes of the Optimist movement.

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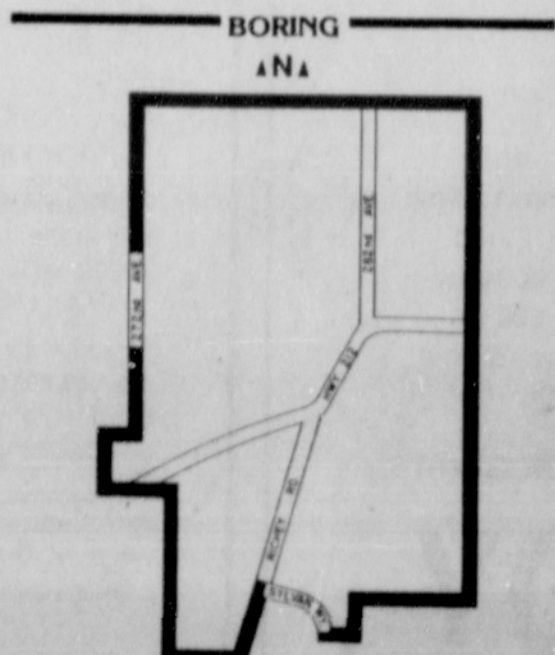
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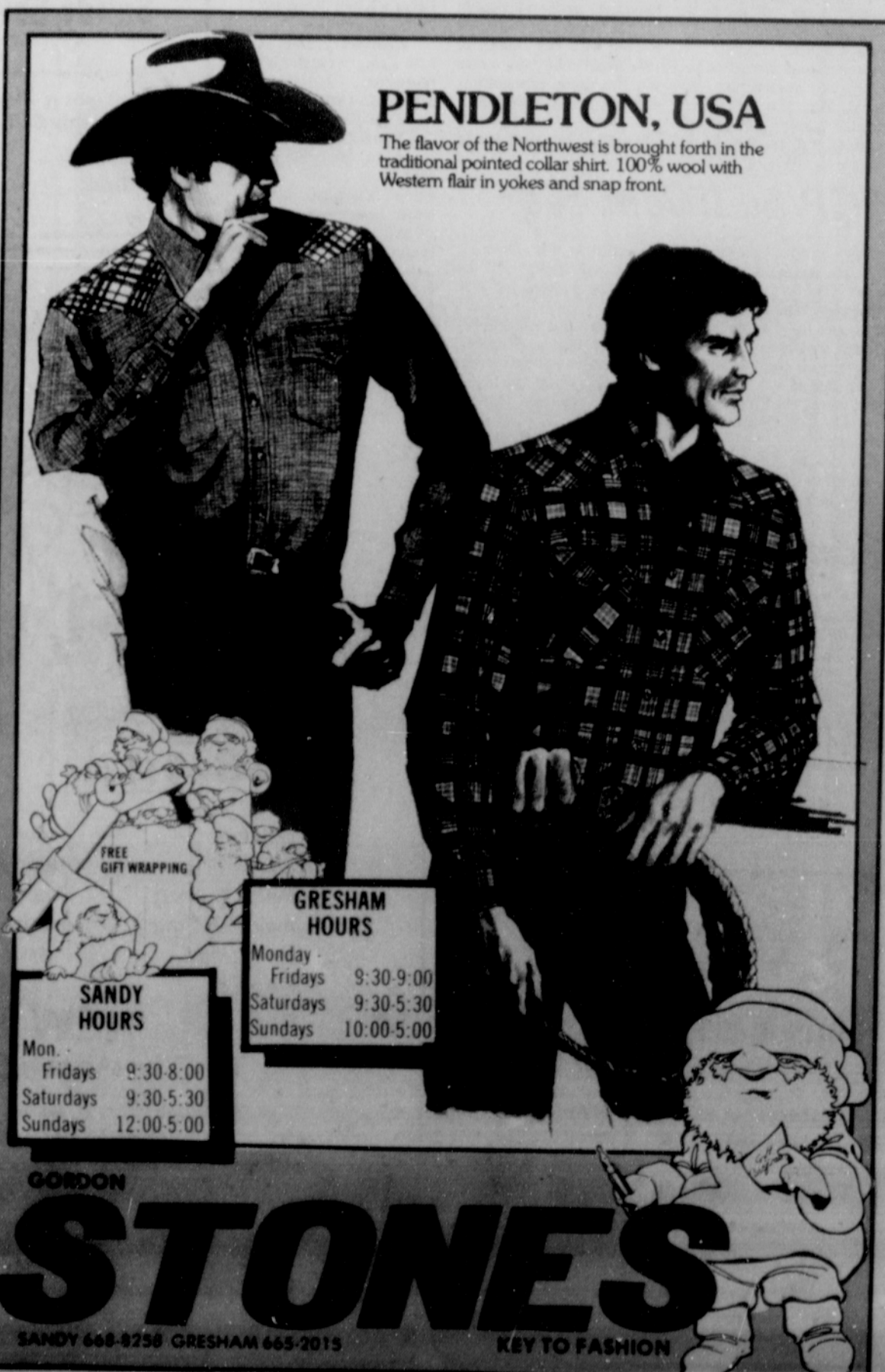
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