New Sweeney Building: For the first time since May 8, 1997, pedestrians can again walk the sidewalk on the southwest corner of Seventh and Main Streets. There, they can see brick and glass, rather than the chain-link fences and plywood enclosures that have surrounded the property since the disastrous Sweeney Building fire destroyed nearly a quarter of the block. With the bulk of the work done on the new building, crews from J. Scull Construction removed the plywood construction walkway Thursday — giving the public its first complete look at the new structure. The building’s owners, Mark and Larry Blote, will soon move their First Stop Gun & Coin Shop back into the building. First Stop has been in rented space across Seventh Street since the fire.