

## Work Starts On 6,000 Feet New Sewer Lines

### Valentine's Day Is Fine Time To Take Snapshots



"SWEETHEARTS!" — a chuckle for the family album because there was a camera handy to record the moment when it happened.

By IRVING DESFOR

Valentine's Day is a national symbol of the type of remembrance most amateur photographers practice all year round—pictures of and for the ones we love. But there are many ways by which we can vastly improve the quality of our pictures and the methods by which they fulfill their purpose as perpetual memories.

February 14 can come any day of the year when a person looks at a photo and says, "That's a sweetheart of a picture!" and puts it in his wallet. You can be sure that such a photo, if it's of a person or even a pet, will be entirely natural in pose, and expression and simple in execution. You don't need elaborate backgrounds, special costumes and unusual expressions to make worthwhile pictures. On the contrary, the pictures you'll treasure the most of your children, your parents, your spouse or your best friends will make you say, "It's so natural!"

If that is the keynote, then why do we photographers so often insist that our subjects stop whatever they're doing, "—stand up, face the camera — and now, SMILE." If youngsters are playing, let them play; if folks are reading, talking or sewing, let them read talk or sew. It's up to the photographer to stalk them for a favorable moment; to maneuver for a good angle or perhaps to steer them towards a better, less distracting background. This method calls for lots more patience and the use of more film because you're bound to hit duds before you find the bull's-eye.

When we do get pictures of which we're proud, do they spread the pleasure of which they're capable? In these days of scattered families, with grown-up children in college or the armed forces, photos are a marvelous means of communication. Of course we all know it's no problem to order or make extra prints and enlargements from our black-and-white negatives. How about color slides and home movies?

I've found the answer in shooting extra pictures and extra footage for the express purpose of making off duplicate pictures to my son in California and my brother

in Tokyo. I've even extended the habit of shooting extras on stereo slides even though my son hasn't a stereo camera of his own. We solved that problem by getting him a stereo viewer this past Christmas. Hand viewers for regular color slides and the View-master viewer are quite inexpensive.

While you're at it, how about dating the pictures you send off and, equally necessary, put a date on the pictures you keep. It's a rare photo fan who can take his favorite pictures from his wallet and tell you when they were taken or how old the children were exactly.

WHEN the 8th Annual National Photographic Show opens in New York City Feb. 17 for a six-day run, a top secret will be unveiled. The Lionel company promises to have on view for public inspection its Linex Stereo camera, the \$40 outfit which failed to make its heralded appearance last August. This first photo item by the famous model-train-makers has been the object of much speculation in the photo industry. I haven't encountered a photographer yet who has seen one of the pilot models, which is quite unusual. However, I'm getting warmer: Wilfred Knighton, director of the Photo Show, talked to a distributor who had seen one! More news in a couple of weeks after I've been to the Show.

AN EXPANSION in its 8mm movie line is announced by Bell & Howell with the introduction of three new cameras. The 252 Monterey (\$60) features a "set, sight and shoot" operation, for it is pre-focused and runs only at 16 frames per second. The only adjustment is on the lens settings from f2.3 to f16 according to the light conditions, indoors or outdoors.

The 134-W Companion (\$80) has four film speeds, 8, 16 (normal), 24 and 32 frames per second, and an f2.5 interchangeable lens.

The 172-C Auto-8 Vagabond (\$160) is a magazine load camera with a two-lens turret. It has four film speeds, comes with the f2.5 lens and accessory lenses are available.

### Town Hopes To Complete Projects In Next 5 Weeks

Work began Wednesday morning of laying over 4,000-feet of a 12-inch sewer line along Shelton Creek.

The job was contracted to Allison Construction Company by the Town. Work began at Hazel Street and will continue along the general shoreline of the creek to Pigeon Street.

G. C. Ferguson, town manager, said he expected the project would require about four weeks.

All connecting lines to the old line will be made as the work progresses, he said. One reason for putting in the new line is due to the fact that the old line has a lot of leaks and absorbs much surface water from the creek, especially during heavy rains.

Plans have also been made for laying a 2,000-foot line along Gaddy Branch from Howell Street to East Street. This is another case of correcting a line that has an intake of much surface water, Ferguson explained.

Mr. Ferguson pointed out that the crews who have been cleaning the trunk sewer line from Hazelwood to Pigeon River have completed their work. They began last fall of "scraping the line, and removing all sand, gravel and fine roots."

Heavy loads of sand and gravel were removed near the Ice Plant, the Depot area, and at the upper part of Lake Junaluska. The line below Lake Junaluska was fairly free of all foreign matter, it was found.

The cleaning project was done by the two towns, after purchasing equipment that cost over \$5,000. The lowest contract price for cleaning the 46,000-foot line was over \$20,000. The cleaning was part of a program being staged by the two towns in an effort to eliminate the overflow of the trunk line during heavy rains.



PVT. NOLAND WATTS has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Watts, after completing eight weeks of basic training at Camp Gordon, Ga.

### Air Force Trains George Miller For Leadership

GUNTER AIR FORCE BASE, Ala.—A/1c George A. Miller, Rt. 1, Box A 474, Waynesville, has been awarded a diploma from the USAF Extension Course Institute here for successfully completing the Officer Candidate Correspondence Course.

Airman Miller is one of several thousand students currently studying this course, which provides a planned program of self-education designed to stimulate Air Force personnel to prepare themselves for positions of leadership.

Although students do not receive commissions for completing the course, they do receive instruction in personnel supervision, Air Force organization, and squadron administration. The ECI offers free correspondence courses on many Air Force subjects.

Have You Tried MEDFORD'S HAND LOTION? CLYDE PHARMACY

### POLITICAL Announcement

I am a candidate for Solicitor of the Twentieth Judicial District, subject to the wishes of the Voters of the Democratic Party. I will appreciate your support and influence.

GROVER C. DAVIS

### Long's Chapel MYF Plans Community Sing

An old-fashioned community sing will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sunday by the Methodist Youth Fellowship at Long's Chapel Methodist Church, according to Pastor Don Payne.

Special music will be presented by the church choir under the direction of C. G. Klopp.

The public is invited to attend

### Card Party Is Planned By UDC Chapter

A card party, sponsored by the Haywood Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will be

held at the Taylor Motor Company, Friday, February 12, at 7:30 p.m. Tables will be arranged for any card game desired by the guests but players are requested to bring their cards.

Refreshments will be served and prizes will be awarded at each table. Reservations may be made with Mrs. J. J. Ferguson, who is serving as chairman for the party. Tickets are 75 cents each.

### Norman Putnam Returns From Minelayer Duty

CHARLESTON, S. C.—Norman C. Putnam, gunner's mate seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Putnam of Lake Junaluska, returned here Feb. 4th from the Mediterranean aboard the light

minelayer USS Gwin. While in the Mediterranean the Gwin was attached to the U. S. Sixth Fleet. Her duties consisted of conducting a rigorous program of exercises including replenishment at sea, fueling at sea, transfer of mail and passengers, anti-aircraft firing and anti-submarine warfare.

Crew members had an opportunity to visit ports in France, Italy, Greece and Spain.

# ANNOUNCING

## 1953 Finer Carolina WINNERS

A TREMENDOUS spirit of progress prevails throughout the South, and right here around us, the visions of prettier, happier, finer towns are coming true. In over a hundred communities like yours, several thousand persons have been working with enthusiasm and energy to produce outstanding civic improvements.

Our message is in tribute to these fine people—who made these things happen—who believe firmly in the future of their town and prove it with action.

Prize winners in the 1953 Finer Carolina Program were first announced last week. As selected by the three judges, they are:

PRIZE	POPULATION GROUP		
	under 1000	1001-2500	over 2500
"Carolinas' Finest"			
\$1,000	Grifton, N. C.	Latta, S. C.	Asheboro, N. C.
2nd—\$500	Maysville, N. C.	Burgaw, N. C.	Manning, S. C.
3rd—\$250	Lamar, S. C.	Wallace, N. C.	Dunn, N. C.

15 Honorable Mention prizes of \$100: Jacksonville, Rockingham, Mt. Olive, Roxboro, Franklinton, Zebulon, Spring Hope, Troy, Swannanoa, Hazelwood, Weaverville, Spruce Pine, Milton, and Pine Level, N. C., and Pinewood, S. C.

Very soon a much-deserved prize check will go to the Finer Carolina Committee in each town—as tangible recognition for their outstanding work.

Whether or not your town is listed for a cash award, it is a better town because of your efforts. No town can lose that enters and works. Improvements are made and better living results in direct proportion to the amount of work done.

Even if your town is not a prize-winner this year, remember that it did benefit from your work. Make this another incentive to start earlier, work harder and get more done in 1954.

The new Finer Carolina Program is in your hands. It is a tool, a vehicle, a plan—for use by progressive towns as they strive to grow better and more prosperous. It is your program—in your town. Please use it to the fullest advantage.

We sincerely congratulate the prize-winning towns and all the other competing towns. But we also wish you a speedy start toward even greater accomplishment in 1954.

### HONORABLE MENTION

- Jacksonville, N. C.
- Rockingham, N. C.
- Mt. Olive, N. C.
- Roxboro, N. C.
- Franklinton, N. C.
- Zebulon, N. C.
- Spring Hope, N. C.
- Troy, N. C.
- Swannanoa, N. C.
- Hazelwood, N. C.
- Weaverville, N. C.
- Spruce Pine, N. C.
- Milton, N. C.
- Pine Level, N. C.
- Pinewood, S. C.

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