Conference Between Leaders May Close During This Week-End

MILITARY MEN ATTEND

The high strategy of the sec last night-a result

Quebec war conference was all but complete last night—a result of "splendid progress" by President Roosevelt and Frime Minister Churchilf on a formula for final victory over a reeling but still formidable Axis.

Discussions will continue for three or four days in the guarded bastions of Quebec's cittadel. But it became apparent that they will be devoted largely to filling in gaps in war plans already drafted in broad outline.

The major decisions which confronted Roosevelt and Churchill on their second wartime excursion to this pro-yincial capital now have been made.

Probably the deliberations of the President and Prime Minister will adjourn this week-end with a joint pronouncement discussing those decisions in the most general terms. That has not been finally decided, but it has been the pattern of the past. This year's Quebec conference has been billed officially as a "beat Japan" assemblage. But developments during the day underscored the fact that the wars in the Pacific and in Europe are linked inseparably by problems of man power, shipping, supply, over all strategy, and timing.

Mr. Roosevett himself asserted:

"This is a conference to get the best we can out of the combined British and United States war efforts with those of our Allies, particularly the Chiness and the Russians."

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100,000 ABSENTEES

Visiting Minister



TEMORIAL SUNDAY FOR PRIVATE HENRY MILTON

Rev. E. H. Stone Of Charlette Will Deliver Memorial Address.

Core Of Nazi Line Battered

Americans Roll Into Outskirts Of Fortified Town

PATTON'S MEN MOVING

American troops rolling through sur prisingly light resistance Wednesday drove into the outskirts of the important German border city of Aschen one of the northern keystones of the Slegfried line, and struck close to the core of the Nazis' vaunted Westwarr on at least three other sectors along

CENTRAL METHODIST TO FORM FELLOWSHIP CLUB

THE LATEST WAR NEWS

London—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhowe's Berlin - bound - armies
struck today into the fifteen-millewide appendix of the Netherlands
in a thrust apparently intended to
fiank from the north the German
border city of Jachen, already besieged fro mihe south. Supreme
Headquarters mild this new crossling of the Dutch frontier occurred
near Mastricht, fifteen miles north
of Liege. It did not disclose the
nationality of the attacking treops.
The American First Army, however, has been operating in that
sector.

U. S. Pacific Fleet Headquarters, Pearl Harbor.—Japan's air force, caught up with in strength along the approaches to Manila, lost more than 200 planes in one day to American fliers raiding the Cen-tral Philippines from aircraft car-riers—with the battle unfinished and first reports fragmentary.

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Technical Sergeant Charite B. Long is returning home after serving 12 months of active combat in the China-Burma-India theatre. He has completed 38 missions and more than 200 combat hours of aerial flight with China's famed "Bombing Eagle Squadroe."

The Monroe radio operator-gunner wears The Distinguished Flying Cross and The Air Medal, being cited by Major General C. L. Chennault, commanding general of the 14 Air Force, Sgt. Long is the son of R. C. Long, R2, Monroe. He has a brother in the Navy.

for such task forces nearly 1,300 miles westward of a line drawn straight south from Guam, farthest west American base.

Japanese surface craft losses in bays at either end of Mindanao and along the eastern coast probably exceeded 100, largely of small tonnage. In addition, 68 enemy planes were destroyed in the air and aground, five airfields were bombed and strafed and other installations damaged.

GROUPS URGE SANE

OBSERVANCE OF V-DAY of the combine of th

Pvt. George T. Helms, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Helms, who before entering service in July, 1943, was with the Henderson Roller Mills, has returned from service overseas, and is now at Mismi Beach, Fla., waiting new asignment. He served as a rifleman for six months in the Italian theater and received the Purple Heart and the Bronse Battle Star.

Battle Wagons Assault Palau

Battleships Join Cruisers, Destroyers And Aircraft In Attack

REELING BLOWS DEALT

Mighty battleships of the Pacific fleet, such as pulverized the defenses of Guam in the last few days before invasion, yesterday joined in the daily blasting of Palau, Japanese base 600 miles east of the Philippines.

miles east of the Philippines.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz announced today that the big battle wagons had added their heavy guns to the weight of the attack. Previously, on September 6, cruisers and destroyers had shelled the islands.

The announcement came less than 24 hours after Nimitz, reported that the Third Fleet, under Admiral William F. Halsey, had struck its first blow against the enemy—a devastating attack on Mindanao, in the southern Philippines.

werial and surface attacks. A two-day He was stationed there for a year, full for Palau on September 7 and 8 after which he was sent to England, was followed by a new three-day strike, the first of which occurred he was transferred to the Branch Saturday (west longitude time). was followed by a new three-day strike, the first of which occurred Saturday (west longitude time), and was announced Tuesday.

Yesterday's released to the French theater of war on July 27th, and it was while serving there that

Plans Completed For City-Wide Ser vice At Methodist Church.

Plans have been completed for the observance of V-Day here by the Monroe Council of Churches and Ministerial Association in cooperation with the Monroe Merchants Association.

Dies In France



IS KILLED IN FRANCE

Wife Notified Of His Death; Entered

m action in France, August 8th, according to a message received from the War Department by his wife, Mrs. Grovene Smith, of Monroe, R-3.

Pfc. Smith was inducted into the service February 19, 1943, at Fort Grovene Smith, of Monroe, R-3.

Pfc. Smith was inducted into the service February 19, 1943, at Fort Bragg and was later transferred to Camp Cooke, California, where he received his training in the Infantry. He was stationed there for a year, after which he was sent to England.

Aratto. was while serving there that he gave his life.

He was a son of Mrs. Tracle Smith he was a son of Mrs. Fracie Smith and the late Mr. Smith. He married the former Miss Grovene Williams on February 11, 1943.

In his last letter to Mrs. Smith, Pfc. Smith stated that he "was working a little hard" and that he didn't longer until the war would be over longerf until the war would be over longerf until the war would return to

and all of the boys would return to their homes again. Before entering the service, Pfc. Smith held a position with Smith's Fransfer Company. Transfer Company.

Pfc Smith is survived by his wife, his mother, five sisters and two

all of the boys would return to red all four of the islands. Seventh Army Air force planes attacked Iwo Jima in the Volcano islands, south of Japan, with 26 tons of bombs on Sunday. One enemy fighter was shot down and two American Liberators were damaged. 8-Year-Olds' Status Heard Marshalls and an Army Thunderbolt attack on Papan island in the Martanas with bombs and rockets were carried out Monday. Enemy positions from the northern Euriles to the islands north of Australia and south of Australia and south of Australia and Seventh Army Air force planes attacked Iwo Jima in the Volcano islands, south of Japan, with 26 tons of bombs on Sunday. One enemy fighter was shot down and two American Liberators were damaged. A lone Catalina flying boat hit an ammunition dump on Nauru island. A Corsair attack on a magasine storage area on Jaluit atoll in the Martanas with bombs and rockets were carried out Monday. Enemy positions from the northern Euriles to the islands north of Australia and Seventh Army Air force planes attacked Iwo Jima in the Volcano islands, south of Japan, with 26 tons of bombs on Sunday. One enemy fighter was shot down and two American Liberators were damaged. A lone Catalina flying boat hit an ammunition dump on Nauru island. A Corsair attack on a magasine storage area on Jaluit atoll in the Martanas with bombs and rockets were carried out Monday.

Army Says Men In Bracket Must Wait Unless Job Essential

MANY ARE IN SERVICE

Priends of the over-38-year-old Army GI, hearing talk about demobilization plans, are inquiring about his chance of getting back into civilian life now, if he desires.

The War department replies that thre is no change in regulations and policy—he can't get out merely because he has passed his 38th birthday. Back in 1942 the Army decided that men over 38, in general, were not physically fitted for combat duty, and the drafting of that age group was halted. This was followed by an Army decision to allow the over-age soldiers to apply for discharge, providing they could show employment in essential industry was awaiting them.

CITY SCHOOLS START 1944-45 TERM MONDAY

Fierce Attack On In Pacific

Yanks Continue Pace At Full Fury Batter Three Jap Held Islands

PLANES - DOWNED 200

American carrier based aircraft rode full tilt Monday against the west central Philippines to destroy at least 200 Japanese planes in a continuing tion against stiffening opposition.

Three islands—Cabu, Panay and Negros—all northwest of Mindanao, which carrier planes mauled only three days previously, were the targets, Adm. Chester W. Nimits' announcement yesterday of the slashing attack indicated it was still under way. Fragmentary reports failed to give American losses in the action.

(The Pacific communique follow Japanese radio reports of continu-raids, which apparently, referred the same series of aerial encounter In contrast to recent detailed state ments yesterday's communique sa only that several cargo ships ar small craft were sunk in the attack Fifty Japanese planes were shidown in combat and 150 more we destroyed on the ground. Nimits reported ported.

Araito.

A medium cargo vessel and for smaller ships were sunk in Shumush harbor. Two others were damage Army Mitchells, which staged the raid, were intercepted by Japanes fighters and one bomber was damage. At Paramushiro two cargo ship were hit. Fires were started on the southeast coast and small craft of shore were strafed.

A Japanese fighter was shot down east of Onnekotan.

Warehouse fires and flaming dock

Warehouse fires and flaming docks were left by Navy Venturas in raids on all four of the islands.

Euriles to the islands north of tralia have been kept under stattack, but the principal targets been the Palau, Halmahers and C bes islands.

the Phillippines, was reeling und week of air or naval assault. On planes have pounded the Palau fields and naval facalities for Warships shelled the islands Mo for the second time in less the

week.

Appearance of the hig battlewagon of Palau resembled the pattern of the pre-invasion softening of Guan Heavy aerial strikes on Halmahers 300 miles below the southern tip of Mindanao, and on Dutch Celebes wer reported in Gen. Douglas MacArthur Wednesday communique.

U. S. AIRMEN DOWN 130 GERMAN PLANES

Greatest Air Battle Ever Waged Over

In the spring of 1943, with about 200,000 men given discharges, the heavy bombers attacking Nazi oil plants Army set a deadline on the time for applications—by May 1 for troops in this country and August 1 for those overseas.

Those enlisted men who had not applied by the deadline remained in, with discharge for physical reasons missing in the big air bettle and present the country and the Luit-waffe.