Special—Family reunions involving servicemen are difficult to arrange in wartime, and particularly so on an international basis—but one sergeant of the 106th Division knows that it can be done despite great restrictions on communication and travel.

With his wife and child in Panama, Sgt. Jack Abbott of the 106th Division had believed that he was separated for the duration—until he contacted the divisional Red Cross staff for assistance.

After the exchange of some 18 telegrams and three cabled messages between Camp Atterbury, Washington, D. C., Camden, N. J., and the Canal zone, arrangements finally were completed and the sergeant is now on furlough to meet his wife in New Orleans and escort her to her home in Jersey.

Arrangements involving clearing with State department officials and transmittal of funds for the trip of his wife and child took more than three weeks to complete, but all is now settled.

Arrangements for this international reunion were handled by George Phillips of the divisional Red Cross staff.

LOANS AT $44,597.

If you’re one of those people interested in facts and figures, you will be interested in knowing that servicemen at Camp Atterbury have outstanding loans with the Red Cross totalling $44,597.85. But even these involve only 11 percent of the cases handled each month. Red Cross loans money only for emergencies and not for regular furloughs or other needs for money that can be anticipated beforehand.