

Meskwaki Code Talkers, Date Unknown

MAN-NEW-NET-DA-MON! It's an Indian's way of saying "We don't like it" in his native Mesquakie (sic) and what he really means is that he doesn't like to have people ask too many questions about his language, now that he knows it will play a strategic part in regimental communications of the 168th infantry.

Above is a composite picture showing how eight Sac and Fox Indian boys, members of Company H, will use the army's "walkie-talkie" radio units for field communications. Upper left Willard Sanache helps strap the unit to Dewey Youngbear's back. At the right Capt. John C. Petty giving a group of Indians instruction in the use of the units. At the lower left, Lieut. Dean A. Knudson points out troop movements to Williard (sic) Sanache, who broadcasts the information by short wave radio, while at right Dewey Youngbear picks up the message and translates it into English for Captain Petty, commanding officer of Company H, theoretically at field headquarters.