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AMERICAL DIVISION NEWS

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The recon patrol of the 1-46 Inf. engaged two VC in green uniforms killing one in foothills nine miles southwest of Tam Ky.

Co. D, 2-1 Inf. found 500 pounds of polished rice buried in jars 17 miles northwest of Tam Ky.

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MIRACLE SAFETY REMINDER

Blowin' pot/
Jungle hot

Bummer Joe/
VC know

While you are blowin' pot.

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LTC Walter Renelt (Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.) directed air strikes which destroyed four bunkers while flying forward air control missions for the Americal Division six miles west of Chu Lai.

Co. C, 1-6 Inf. destroyed two more bunkers connected by a four foot wide trench 5½ miles west-southwest of Chu Lai.

Co. B, 1-52 Inf. detained a VC suspect near where it found and destroyed 900 pounds of dried potatoes buried under a hootch 8½ miles northwest of Quang Ngai.

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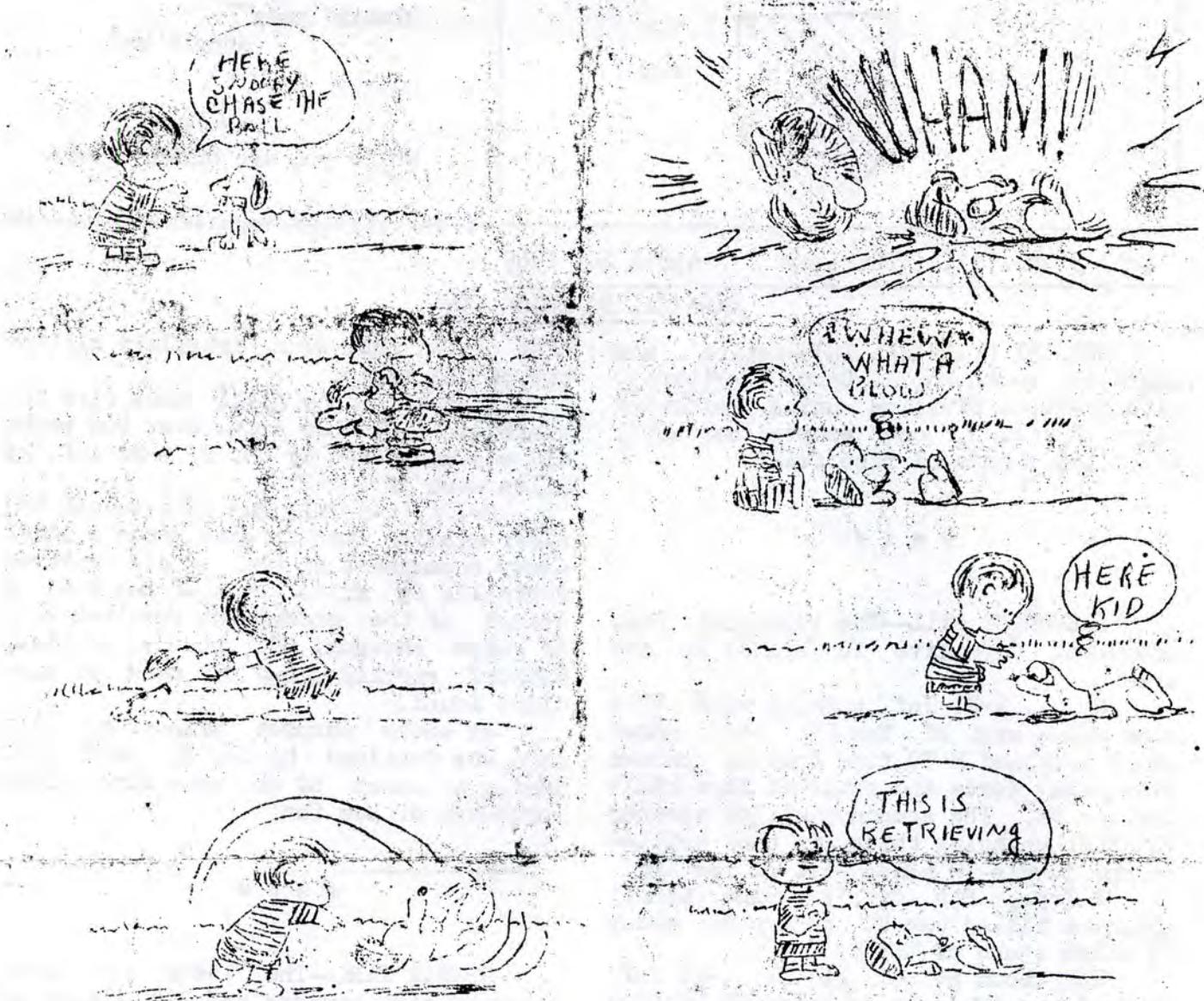
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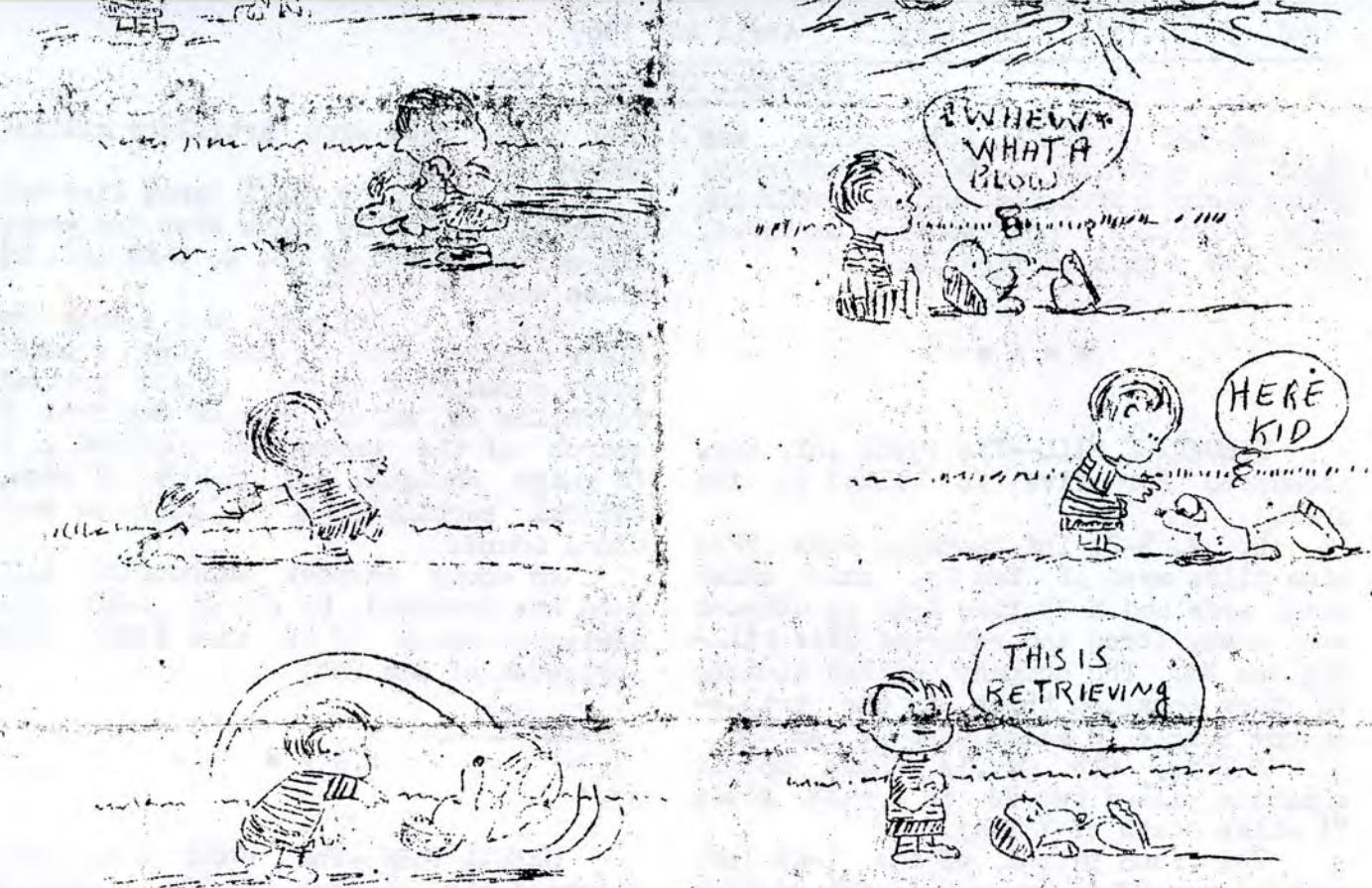
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