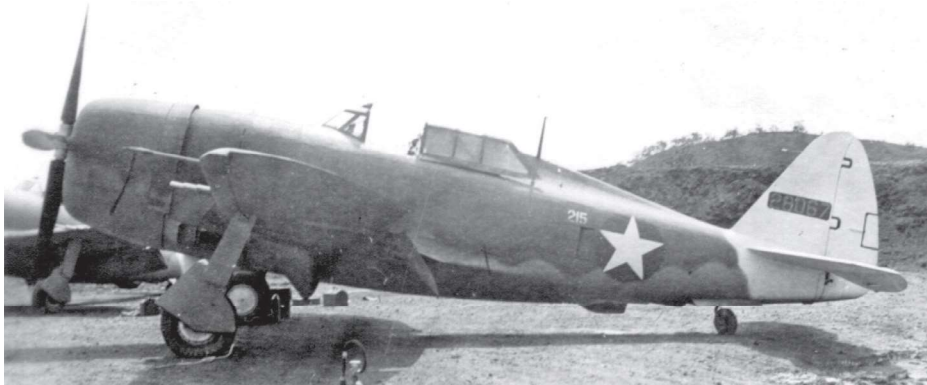


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P-47D-2 serial 42-8067, MSN 215, at Port Moresby just after arriving in the theatre in July 1943. Note the fighter lacks a squadron number. This Thunderbolt later joined the 342nd FS where it was named Bonnie.



End of the road for dozens of "razorback" Thunderbolts ready for scrapping at Nadzab in late 1945. A close examination reveals representation from nearly every Fifth Air Force Thunderbolt group.



Cosmoline inhibitor is washed off the airframe of a new P-47D-16 just assembled by the 27th Air Depot at Seven-Mile 'drome, Port Moresby, in early 1944. These boxed airframes were unloaded at Tatana Wharf, before being delivered by truck along Baruni Road for assembly.