

PACIFIC ADVERSARIES



So-called "paraf frags" (small 24-pound fragmentation bombs with parachutes) spill from low-level Mitchells into Betty revetments at Vunakanau during the earlier 12 October 1943 attack. These bombs were often used to saturate an airfield dispersal area with shrapnel. The parachutes gave time for the attacking aircraft to get clear prior to detonation.



The 345th BG flying towards Rabaul from Dobodura for the big 2 November 1943 raid.