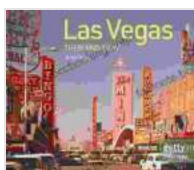


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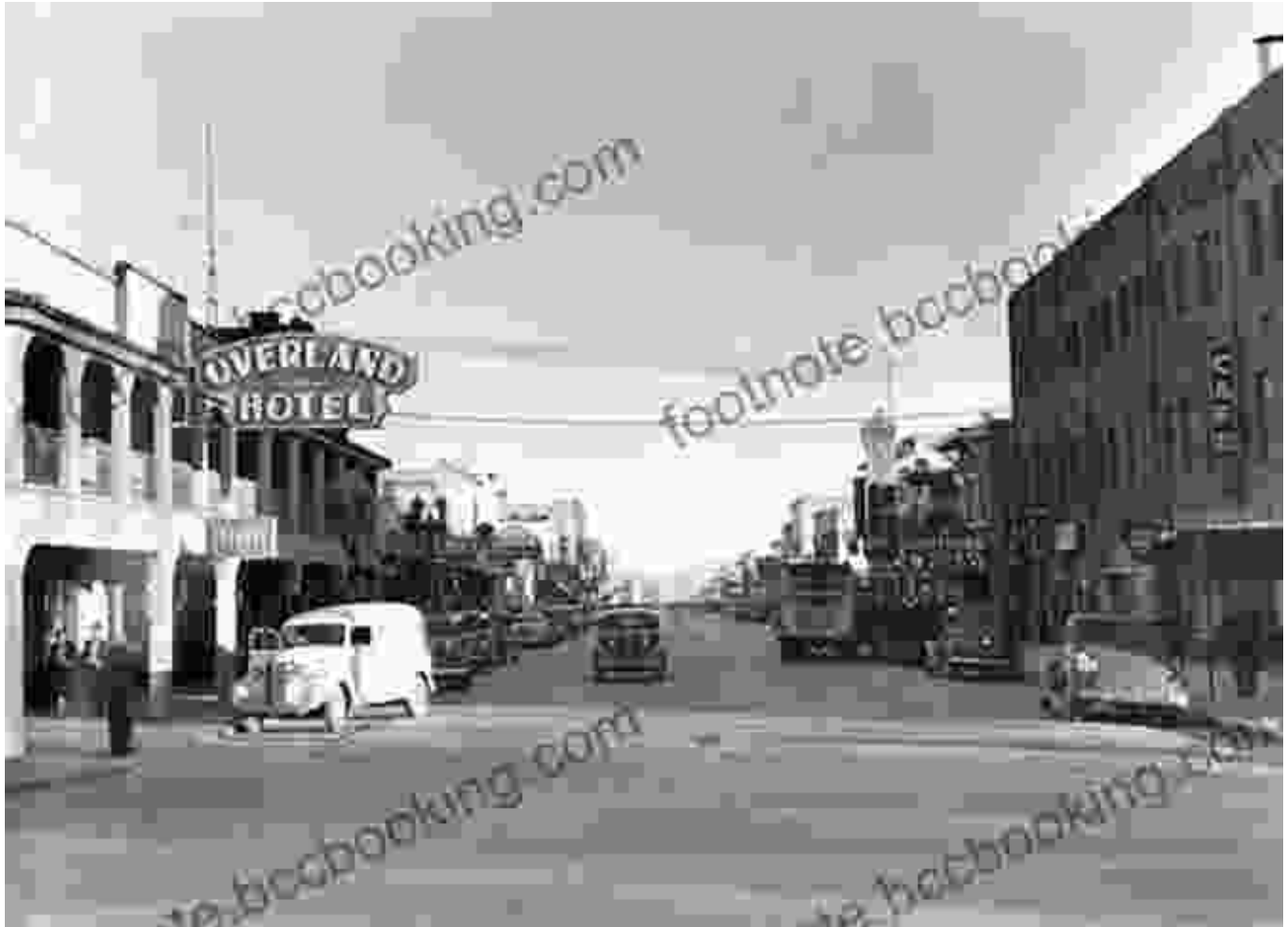
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## The Early Years

Las Vegas was founded in 1905 as a railroad stop on the Union Pacific line. The town's early years were marked by gambling and prostitution, but it wasn't until the 1930s that Las Vegas began to develop into a major tourist destination.



The first major casino in Las Vegas was the El Cortez Hotel and Casino, which opened in 1941. The El Cortez was followed by a number of other casinos, including the Flamingo Hotel and Casino (1946), the Sahara Hotel and Casino (1952), and the Stardust Hotel and Casino (1958).

### **The Rat Pack Era**

The 1950s and 1960s were the golden age of Las Vegas. The city was home to some of the biggest stars in the world, including Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr., and Elvis Presley. These stars helped to make Las Vegas the entertainment capital of the world.



During this time, Las Vegas also saw the construction of some of its most iconic landmarks, including the Hoover Dam, the Bellagio Hotel and Casino, and the Luxor Hotel and Casino.

### **The Modern Era**

The 1970s and 1980s saw Las Vegas continue to grow and evolve. The city became a major convention destination, and it also saw the construction of a number of new casinos, including the MGM Grand Hotel and Casino (1973), the Excalibur Hotel and Casino (1990), and the Venetian Hotel and Casino (1999).



In recent years, Las Vegas has continued to grow and change. The city has seen the construction of a number of new attractions, including the High Roller observation wheel, the LINQ Promenade, and the Mob Museum. Las Vegas is also home to a number of world-class restaurants, shops, and shows.

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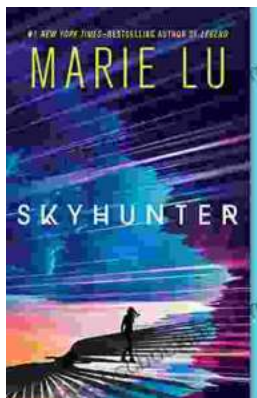
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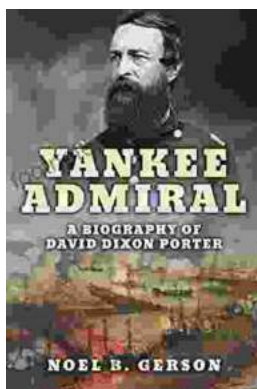
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