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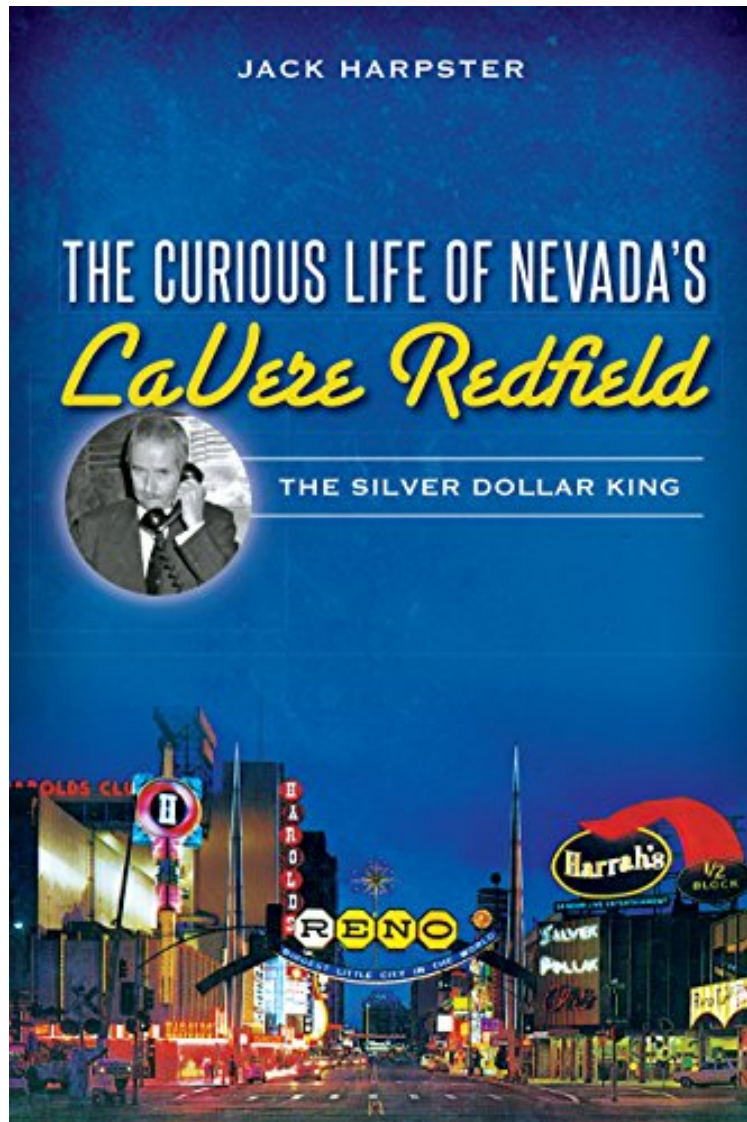
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**Jack Harpster : The Curious Life of Nevada's LaVere Redfield: The Silver Dollar King** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Curious Life of Nevada's LaVere Redfield: The Silver Dollar King:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. This book fails to give Mr. Redfield the gratitude Reno owes him.By MaureenI was disappointed in this book. Mr. Redfield was a most unusual man. I knew this; however, he was a

brilliant businessman. This book focuses on Redfield's mental decline AFTER the robbery, where his head was badly bashed by a brick. Redfield was extraordinary in many ways, his Foundation has left Reno with a great deal of land, and endowments for colleges, and so forth. I find it sad, and objectionable, that the author chose to focus on Redfield's eccentricities. On a personal note, my father was befriended by the elder Mr. Redfield when Redfield felt my father was paying far too much for his land purchases. He became a friend to my then young father, and influenced my father's life in a positive way. Dad, was invested in gaming at the time, he was noted as a "sharp dresser" (good friend of Mr. Parker, "Parker's Western Wear"). Dad retired early, and wore mostly overalls, working his land. He drove his old Jeep forever, never showed any sign of money. He learned that from his friend, Mr. Redfield. We could all learn a lot from the real Mr. Redfield. 5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Individuals like LaVere Redfield are what make the history of Nevada ...By Clyde R Terrell A very interesting look at the life of Northern Nevada icon. While the Redfield name is a familiar name and I often admired the mansion on Mt. Rose street, I never knew much about the man behind the name. It was interesting to learn how he acquired his wealth, how he lived his life and the legacy of him and his wife. Individuals like LaVere Redfield are what make the history of Nevada so interesting to learn about. The book was well researched, well written and overall an interesting read. 5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. entertaining and informative By Shaxpur I was born and raised in Reno, so I grew up with the legend of Redfield. I found this book very enlightening and detailed, well researched and well written. I am glad to finally know a bit more about the man in the rock castle on the hill.

LaVere Redfield was a prolific hoarder. When he died in 1974, his estate was estimated at more than \$70 million. Executors found 680 bags of silver coins and 407,000 Morgan and Peace silver dollars in his Reno mansion. A local Reno legend, Redfield gambled regularly in Virginia Street casinos. He survived robbery and burglaries of his home, which contained false walls to store millions of silver dollars. Hating banks and paper money, as well as big government, Redfield opted to serve a prison term for income tax evasion rather than pay his debts from his ample fortune. Join author Jack Harpster for this first book-length study of this unconventional man behind the folklore and the myth.

About the Author Jack Harpster grew up in Memphis, Tennessee, and graduated from the University of Wisconsin School of Journalism. The Reno, Nevada resident was the executive director of advertising for the Las Vegas -Journal and worked at the Las Vegas Sun. His books include John Ogden, the Pilgrim (1609, 1682): A Man of More Than Ordinary Mark, " a biography of his great-grandfather, an early colonial settler; and "King of the Slots: William 'Si' Redd."