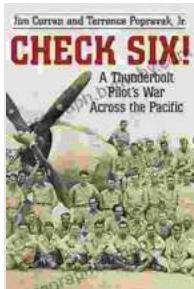


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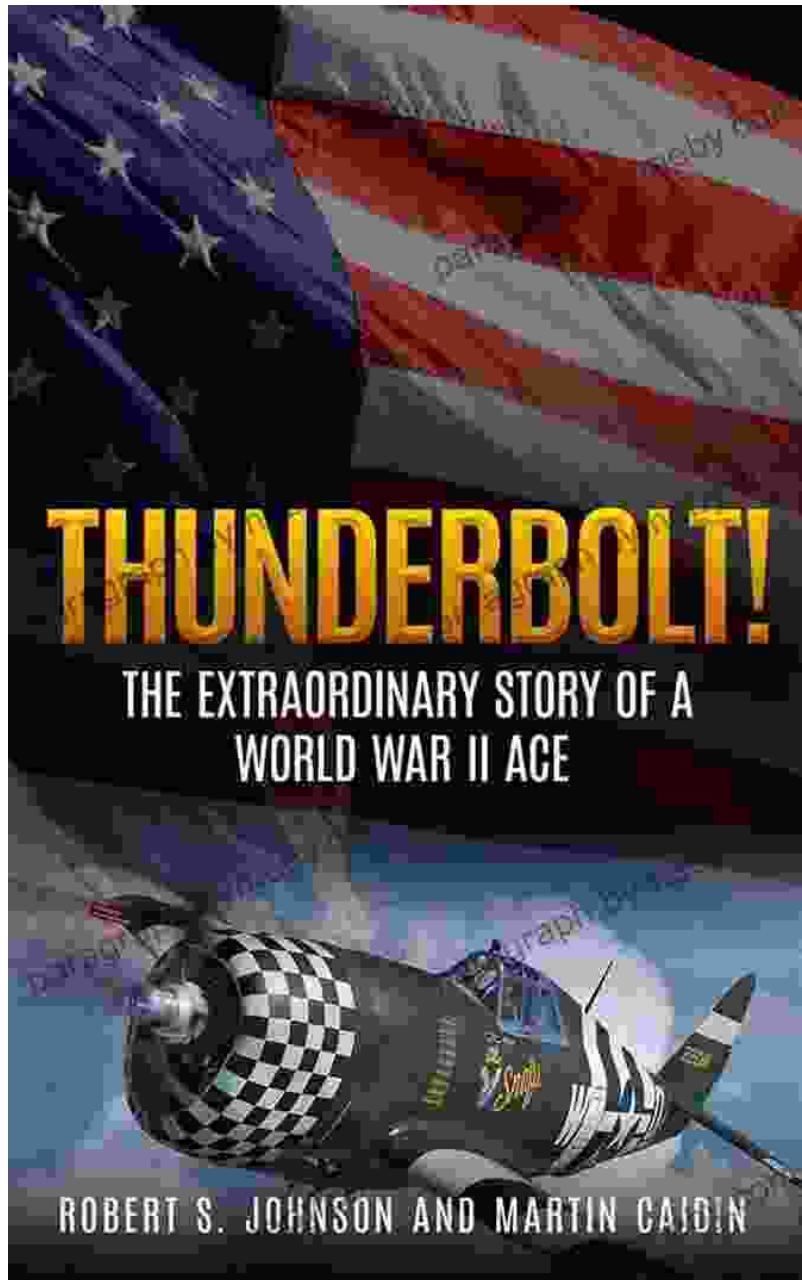
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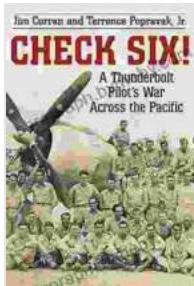
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Merle Olmsted was born in 1920 in Iowa. He joined the Army Air Corps in 1942 and was assigned to the 348th Fighter Group in the Pacific Theater.

He flew over 100 missions in his P-47 Thunderbolt, and was shot down twice. He was also wounded several times. After the war, Olmsted returned to Iowa and worked as a farmer and a businessman. He passed away in 2019.

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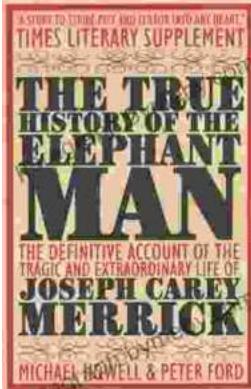
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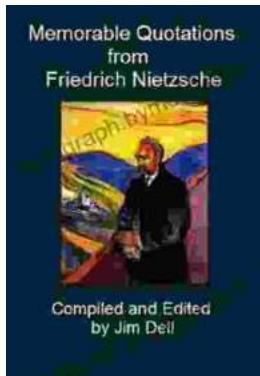
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