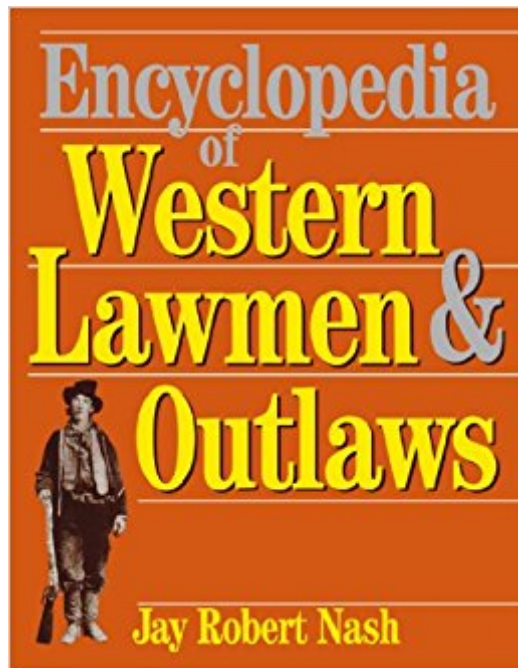




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Synopsis

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Jay Robert Nash is widely recognized as the world's foremost encyclopedist of crime, and has authored more than seventy single-volume and multi-volume reference works, including the Encyclopedia of World Crime.

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