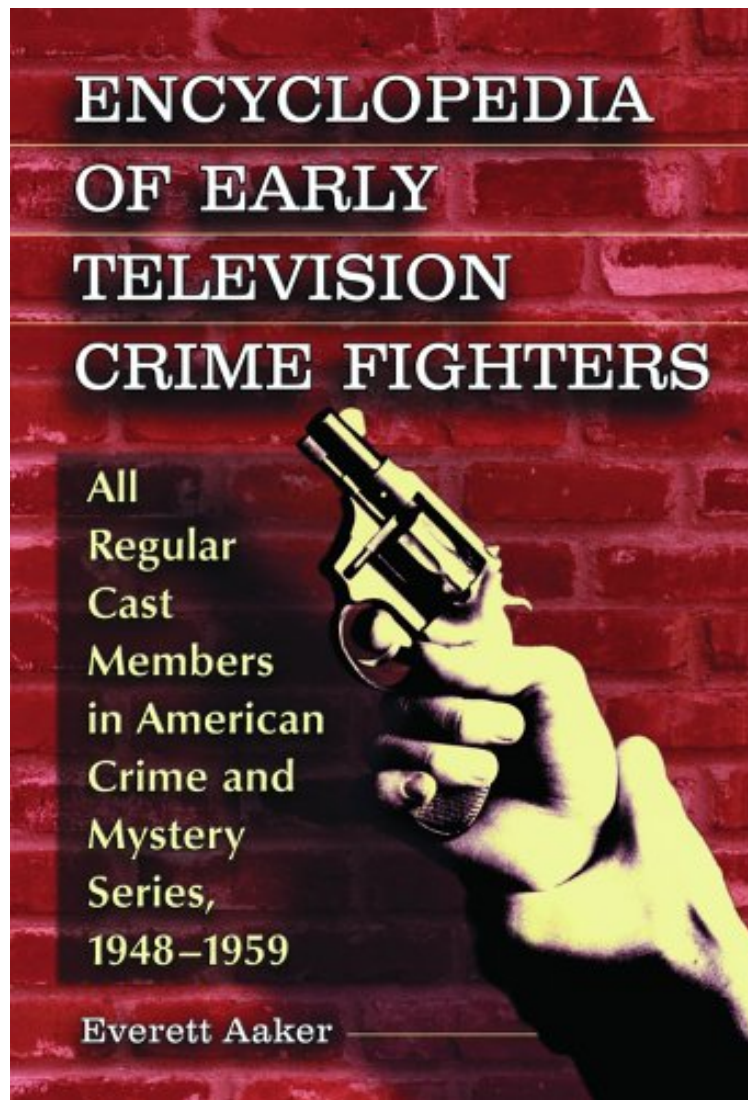


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it right again. he has taken a decade of television and included most everyone who was a part of a series in the cop genre. it is highly illustrated with fun facts of people long forgotten. a well researched reference volume to use while watching any of the nostalgia channels. I have his other book on western television stars, a great companion. I like this one better. seems to have more listings. guess there were more cops and robber shows than westerns at that time. again hats off to mr. aaker. am waiting for your sit-com volume and or variety volume or children's show volume, ect. his work belongs in the reference shelves of all who love the classic tv days.

Any episode of a crime or mystery series involves some or all of the following: the perpetration of a crime; its investigation; the analytical process which involves the determination of the villain; the arrest and trial of the culprit; and the handing out of the appropriate punishment. Such series involving the exploits of a wide variety of courageous heroes and heroines were very popular during the 1950s, and they featured a host of actors and actresses, including famous television detectives (i.e. Raymond Burr), those famous in other genres (i.e. Boris Karloff, Charles Bronson), and over 250 other players with recurring roles. This reference work lists every player who had a regular role in a crime or mystery series during the early era of television. All covered series offered live or filmed episodes of a crime or mystery nature, and all were shown on American television. All series had either regular stars or a recognizable host. Entries cover the players real name, family information and education; how the player originally broke into show business; the players career preceding the series; and his or her marriage, children, death date, and film and television credits. Appendices provide a catalog of American mystery series and a list of regular mystery series players whose roles began after December 31, 1959.

From Booklist Many early television shows have been lost due to the various technologies used to record them. Therefore, today's devotees of mystery, crime-fighting, and suspense shows haven't had the opportunity to enjoy classics such as *Craig Kennedy, Criminologist*, featuring the investigations of a Columbia University professor; or *I Led 3 Lives*, depicting the real-life story of Herbert A. Philbrick, family man, Communist Party member, and counterspy for the U.S. government. These are examples of the 130 shows that were broadcast from 1948 to 1959 and are included in this source. The main body of the work "lists every player who had a regular role in a crime or mystery series during the early era of television." Entries are arranged in alphabetical order by the actor's last name, from Jack Albertson to Efrem Zimbalist Jr. The entries include a biographical sketch, family information, education, how the actor broke into show business, and a filmography of performances before, during, and after the covered period. Appended are a catalog of American mystery series from this time period, a bibliography, and a well-done index. This volume would be of interest to libraries supporting a history of television curriculum and for libraries that have patrons who might remember the characters and TV shows from the earliest years of the television or are interested in this era as a hobby. This author has published another book of similar focus, *Television Western Players of the Fifties* (1997). Recommended for academic and large public libraries. Kathryn O'Gorman Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved About the Author Everett Aaker is also the author of *Television Western Players of the Fifties* (1997) and lives in England.