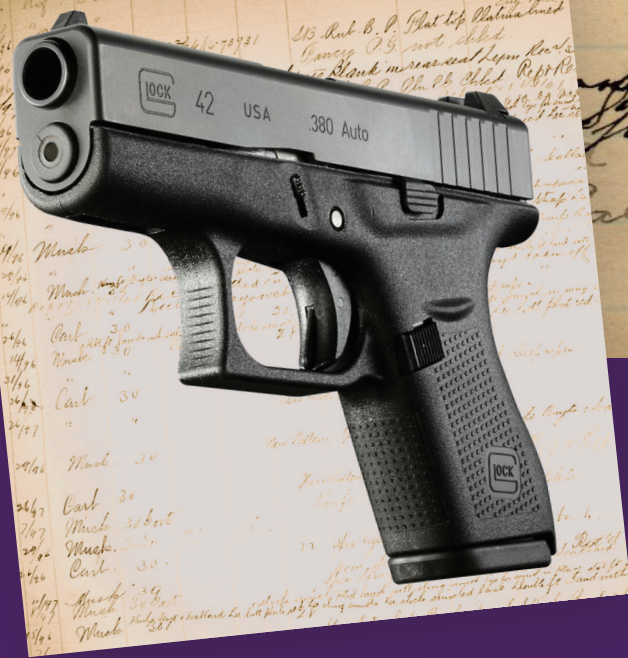
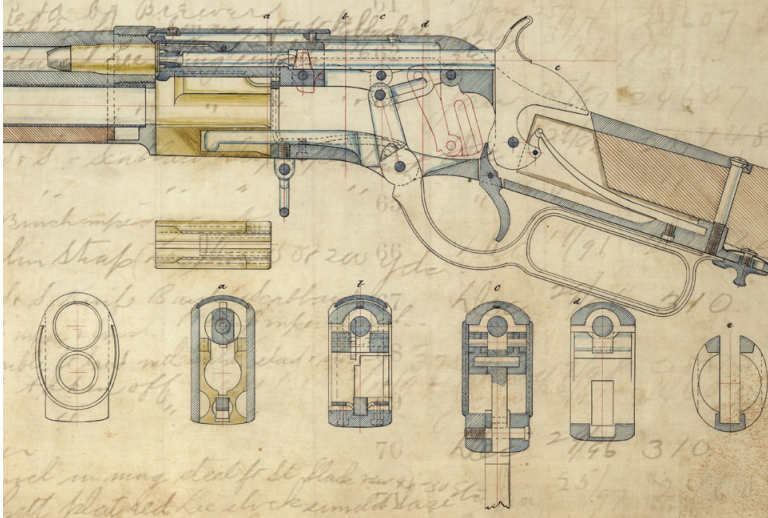


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Dedicated to documenting the history of the American West and the history of firearms,

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