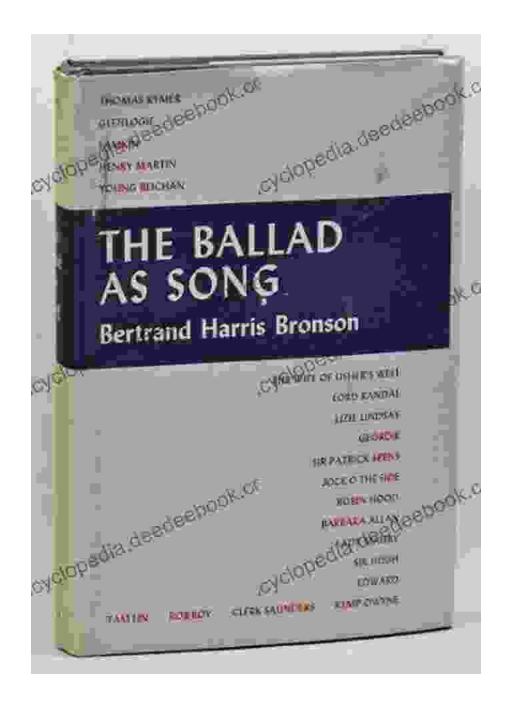
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#### **About the Author**

Bertrand Bronson (1904-1986) was a leading authority on the Child Ballads. He was a professor of English at the University of California, Berkeley, and he published numerous books and articles on the ballads. Bronson's work is known for its meticulous scholarship and its insights into the musical and literary aspects of the ballads.

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