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Nixon's Slim Volumes

Washington

Some of President Nixon's 49 loose leaf notebooks stacked beside him during a television appearance April 29 contained few pages, an examination showed yesterday.

The President had the notebooks beside him to demonstrate that he was turning over transcripts of presidential conversations to the House Judiciary Committee. The committee had subpoenaed the original tapes, and Mr. Nixon explained that night why only the transcripts were being supplied.

A reporter looked at one of those volumes in the office of a House Judiciary Committee member.

He finished it without turning a page — because there was only one page.

The volume turned over in response to the committee's subpoena was an excerpt from a briefing by White House press secretary Ronald Ziegler on March 30, 1973. It ran 94 words.

Some volumes consist of three, four or five pages; still others contain 20 or 30 pages.

In rejecting the committee's latest subpoena Monday, Mr. Nixon referred to "the voluminous body of materials that the committee already has — and which I have voluntarily provided, partly in an effort to round out the record — does give the full story of Watergate . . ."

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