

**D.A. STUDIES THEFT  
OF DATA ON REBOZO**  
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Papers on Friend of Nixon  
Stolen From Author Here

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The Manhattan District Attorney's office is investigating the theft of a manuscript and other documents this month from the apartment of a freelance writer who is doing a biography of Charles G. (Bebe) Rebozo, one of former President Nixon's closest friends.

The author, Thomas Kiernan, said that in addition to his manuscript for the Rebozo book, several tape recordings of interviews and several research files, including one file containing all of Mr. Kiernan's book contracts and another containing all his royalty statements, were taken.

**Discusses Motives**

Mr. Kiernan indicated during an interview yesterday that he did not think Mr. Rebozo would have been motivated to carry out such a break-in and theft, but that there might be "others" with the motivation, people he had researched in the course of gathering material for the book.

The author, who has done several nonfiction books, is under contract with Farrar, Straus & Giroux to produce the Rebozo book and a book on Secretariat, the race horse.

Mr. Kiernan said he reported the break-in to the police on the evening he discovered it, but when the police failed to take fingerprint he said, he decided that "they weren't going to take it seriously."

He said he subsequently got directly in touch with Robert M. Morgenthau, Manhattan District Attorney, and the investigation was begun.

Mr. Morgenthau declined to

comment on the progress of the investigation yesterday except to observe, with obvious humorous intent, "We have no reason to believe that Mr. Nixon did it."