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THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BASKETBALL COACHES

1943 March Meeting 1943

Early in February President Edward Kelleher wrote to the officers of the Association and to the members of the executive committee explaining his contact with certain Government Bureaus and their request that the Association should not have a convention during the year 1943.

The replies from the coaches to his letter led Mr. Kelleher to call for a meeting of as many as possible of the officers and committee men for the transaction of necessary business.

This meeting was set for March 29 and 30. These were the two dates at which the finals of the National Invitation and the N.C.A.A. basketball tournaments were to be run off in Madison Square Garden.

The first meeting, set for Monday, March 29, was announced over the loud speaker at the semi-final games on Saturday evening with an invitation to all visiting basketball coaches to join in on a general get-together Monday afternoon at the Belvedere Hotel, just across 49th Street from the Garden.

A dozen or more coaches were assembled when President Kelleher called them to order and during the rather informal first hour another dozen came. All were members or became members before leaving. These coaches were in New York to see the various double-headers.

President Kelleher announced that Captain Val Lentz, our Secretary-Treasurer, had been, rather suddenly, sent West with the Army and hence could not be present. Howard Hobson was appointed temporary secretary and the meeting was addressed by the President who welcomed those present and explained the reasons for omitting the convention. He reported on the suggestions that had come in through the mail. He also asked all present to join in on the discussions. While these could not be official, they could be very helpful in aiding the committee in its formal actions of the next day.

The first topic was "What shall we do about officers for next year?" Lambert suggested that present officers continue their duties, Where this cannot be done, that temporary appointments be made, from Executive Committee if possible. If not, then by