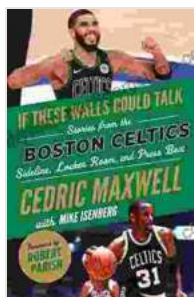


Stories From The Boston Celtics Sideline Locker Room And Press Box

An Inside Look at the World of the Boston Celtics

The Boston Celtics are one of the most storied franchises in NBA history, with a rich tradition and a passionate fan base. For decades, the Celtics have been a fixture in the league, winning 17 championships and producing some of the greatest players of all time.



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But what goes on behind the scenes with the Celtics? What are the stories that never make it to the headlines? In this article, we'll take you inside the world of the Boston Celtics, giving you an exclusive glimpse into the stories, anecdotes, and behind-the-scenes moments that have shaped the team's history.

From the Sideline

The sideline is where the action is, and it's also where some of the most memorable Celtics moments have happened. From Larry Bird's legendary trash talk to Paul Pierce's game-winning shots, the sideline has seen it all.

One of the most famous sideline stories involves Celtics coach Red Auerbach. During a game against the Philadelphia 76ers, Auerbach was ejected from the game by referee Dick Bavetta. As Auerbach was walking off the court, he turned to Bavetta and said, "Dick, you're a lousy referee." Bavetta responded by saying, "Red, you're a lousy coach." Auerbach then turned to the crowd and said, "You see, folks? He admits it!"

Another classic sideline story involves Celtics player Bill Russell. Russell was known for his stoic demeanor, but he had a soft spot for kids. One day, during a game, a young boy ran onto the court and gave Russell a hug. Russell hugged the boy back and then gave him his game-worn sneakers. The boy was so happy that he started crying. Russell smiled and said, "That's what it's all about."

Inside the Locker Room

The locker room is where the Celtics players go to prepare for games, celebrate victories, and commiserate after losses. It's also where some of the most intimate and revealing moments happen.

One of the most famous locker room stories involves Celtics player Kevin Garnett. Garnett was known for his intensity and passion, and he often gave fiery speeches to his teammates before games. One time, before a game against the Los Angeles Lakers, Garnett got so fired up that he started breaking down in tears. His teammates were stunned, but they

were also inspired. They went on to win the game, and Garnett's speech is still remembered as one of the most motivating moments in Celtics history.

Another memorable locker room story involves Celtics player Rajon Rondo. Rondo was known for his quick wit and his love of pranks. One time, he decided to prank his teammate, Ray Allen. Rondo hid Allen's shoes in the ceiling tiles. When Allen came to the locker room to get ready for the game, he couldn't find his shoes. He was frantically searching for them when Rondo finally revealed his prank. Allen was not amused, but he couldn't help but laugh at Rondo's cleverness.

Inside the Press Box

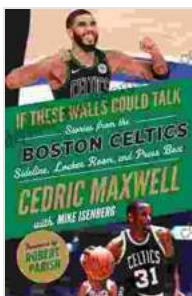
The press box is where the media covers the Celtics games. It's also where some of the most insightful and humorous stories are told.

One of the most famous press box stories involves Celtics beat writer Bob Ryan. Ryan is known for his wit and his love of the Celtics. One time, during a game against the New York Knicks, Ryan wrote a column criticizing Knicks coach Jeff Van Gundy. Van Gundy was so angry that he called Ryan out at the next press conference. Ryan responded by saying, "Jeff, I'm just a writer. You're the one who's getting paid millions of dollars to coach a basketball team. If you can't handle a little criticism, then you're in the wrong business."

Another memorable press box story involves Celtics broadcaster Tommy Heinsohn. Heinsohn is known for his colorful commentary and his love of the Celtics. One time, during a game against the Miami Heat, Heat player LeBron James made a spectacular play. Heinsohn was so impressed that he said, "LeBron James is the best player in the world. He's like a young

Michael Jordan." The next day, Heinsohn was asked if he really thought James was better than Jordan. Heinsohn replied, "Of course not. But he's the best player in the world right now. And that's saying something."

The Boston Celtics are more than just a basketball team. They are a part of the fabric of Boston, and their history is filled with countless stories, anecdotes, and behind-the-scenes moments. These stories give us a glimpse into the world of the Celtics, and they help us to understand the passion and dedication that makes this team so special.



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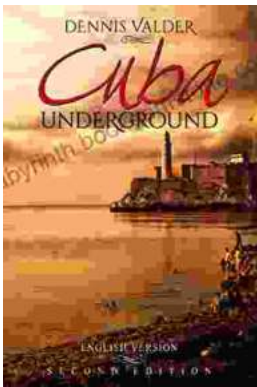
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