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Kenneth D. McKellar, a Democrat from Tennessee, served twice as chairman, from May 31, 1946, to January 6, 1947, and again from January 10, 1949, to January 3, 1953. He was a committee member for almost 30 years, from December 1923 to January 1953.

Born in Richmond, AL, in 1869, McKeller graduated from the University of Alabama in 1891. Receiving a law degree the following year, he moved to Memphis, TN, and commenced the practice of law. Elected to the U.S. House of Representatives, he served there from 1911 to 1917, when he was elected to the U.S. Senate. He remained in the Senate for 36 years, from 1917 to 1953. Before chairing the Appropriations Committee, McKellar served as chairman of the Committee on Civil Service and Retrenchment and the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads. During the 79th, 81st, and 82d Congresses, McKellar served as Senate President pro tempore. He died in 1957.

For further reading: Garraty, John A. Dictionary of American Biography. Supplement 6. New York, 1980.