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Styles Bridges, a Republican of New Hampshire, served as chairman of the committee on two different occasions, first from January 6, 1947, to January 10, 1949, and again from January 13, 1953, to January 11, 1955. He was a committee member for his entire 24 years in the Senate, from 1937 until he died on November 26, 1961.

Born in West Pembroke, ME, in 1898, Bridges graduated from the University of Maine in 1918. After a career as teacher, editor, and banker, he became Governor of New Hampshire in 1934. He was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1936 and, in the course of his Senate service, Bridges also chaired the Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation, the Joint Committee on Inaugural Arrangements, and the Republican Policy Committee. During the 83d Congress, Bridges was Senate President pro tempore.

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