

Mr. HOEY (when Mr. BAILEY's name was called). My colleague the senior Senator from North Carolina [Mr. BAILEY] is detained at home because of illness in his family. If he were present he would vote for the ratification of the Charter. If his vote had been essential to ratification he would have been here regardless of the illness in his family.

Mr. CONNALLY (when Mr. GLASS' name was called). The Senator from Virginia [Mr. GLASS] is absent because of personal illness. He has requested that I announce that fact to the Senate, together with the statement that if he were able to be present he would vote for the ratification of the Charter.

Mr. WHERRY (when the name of Mr. JOHNSON of California was called). I announce that the Senator from California [Mr. JOHNSON] is paired on this question with the Senator from Kansas [Mr. REED] and the Senator from Idaho [Mr. THOMAS]. If present, the Senator from California would vote "nay." If the Senator from Kansas [Mr. REED] and the Senator from Idaho [Mr. THOMAS] were present they would vote "yea."

I also announce that the Senator from California [Mr. JOHNSON] is necessarily absent, the Senator from Idaho [Mr. THOMAS] is absent because of illness, and the Senator from Kansas [Mr. REED] is absent on official business.

The roll call was concluded.

The result was—yeas 89, nays 2, as follows:

YEAS—89

Alken	Gerry	Myers
Andrews	Green	O'Daniel
Austin	Guffey	O'Mahoney
Bail	Gurney	Overton
Bankhead	Hart	Pepper
Barkley	Hatch	Radcliffe
Bilbo	Hawkes	Revercomb
Brewster	Hayden	Robertson
Bridges	Hickenlooper	Russell
Briggs	Hill	Saltonstall
Brooks	Hoey	Smith
Buck	Johnson, Colo.	Stewart
Burton	Johnston, S. C.	Taft
Bushfield	Kilgore	Taylor
Butler	La Follette	Thomas, Okla.
Byrd	Lucas	Thomas, Utah
Capehart	McCarran	Tobey
Capper	McClellan	Tunnell
Carville	McFarland	Tydings
Chandler	McKellar	Vandenberg
Chavez	McMahon	Wagner
Connally	Magnuson	Walsh
Cordon	Maybank	Wheeler
Donnell	Mead	Wherry
Downey	Millikin	White
Eastland	Mitchell	Wiley
Ellender	Moore	Willis
Ferguson	Morse	Wilson
Fulbright	Murdock	Young
George	Murray	

NAYS—2

Langer Shipstead

NOT VOTING—5

Bailey Johnson, Calif. Thomas, Idaho
Glass Reed

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. On this vote the yeas are 89, the nays are 2. Two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein, the resolution of ratification is agreed to, and the treaty is ratified.

Mr. BARKLEY. Mr. President, I ask that the President be immediately notified of the action of the Senate in advising and consenting to the ratification of the treaty.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the President will be so notified.

EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY OF SERVICE OF SENATOR BARKLEY AS MAJORITY LEADER

Mr. GEORGE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that there be entered in the body of the RECORD, in regular type, a letter from the President of the United States, dated July 27, 1945, congratulating and commending the majority leader of the Senate on the eighth anniversary of his service as majority leader.

Mr. President, this letter, I think, should go into the RECORD because it is expressive not only of the commendation and the honor which the President of the United States pays the majority leader of this body, but the Honorable ALBEN W. BARKLEY, senior Senator from Kentucky, has served in the capacity of majority leader for a longer period of time than anyone else in the history of the Senate, so far as I am advised.

Mr. President, I wish to say that the distinguished majority leader has at all times maintained the dignity of his political party in this body, but he likewise has approached the discharge of all his duties, as the President of the United States says, without "semblance of partisanship or desire for party advantage whenever the welfare of our Nation required it."

The distinguished senior Senator from Kentucky has served well not only his party, but he has served well the interest of this Republic through the long period, through the convulsive years that he has been privileged to serve this body. Times have been trying. Problems have been most important. No similar period in the whole history of the country can duplicate the problems and the difficulties and great issues and events which we have been called upon to consider here in the last 8 years.

Mr. President, I know that I speak not only for all the members of the majority party, but I feel certain that I voice the sentiments of the minority party in wishing for the Senator from Kentucky long years of further service in this important post which he has filled with such distinguished ability and credit and profit to the country.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. LUCAS in the chair). Without objection, the letter will be placed in the RECORD, as requested by the Senator from Georgia.

The letter is as follows:

THE WHITE HOUSE,

Washington, July 27, 1945.

DEAR ALBEN: Today marks the eighth anniversary of your service as majority leader of the Senate. I understand that this is twice as long as any of your predecessors have served. These years have been eventful ones. They have been years of great moment to the United States and to the world.

In all of the recent events which have meant so much in shaping the future of our civilization you have played an important and effective role. Not only have

you helped to fulfill the ideals and principles of our party, but you have been willing and anxious to lay aside all semblance of partisanship or desire for party advantage whenever the welfare of our Nation required it.

I congratulate you on your past service as majority leader, and, also, on your 33 years of service in the Congress. The Nation is grateful to you for your patriotic share in the accomplishments of these years, and I know that the years to come will be equally fruitful.

With all best wishes for your continued health and success from your old friend,

Very sincerely yours,

HARRY TRUMAN.

HON. ALBEN W. BARKLEY,
The United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

Mr. WHITE. Mr. President, the Senator from Georgia has correctly expressed the sentiments of all those on this side toward the majority leader. I have served in the Congress with the Senator from Kentucky for more than 28 years. I have known of his work through all that span of time. But in late years, since I have been sitting in this seat across the aisle from his, I have come to know him better than ever before. And as I have known him my respect for him has increased and my admiration and affection for him have grown. I have wondered many times how it was possible for him to master the intricacies of the many legislative subjects which come before the Senate; how he could discuss them with such force and such clarity as he has done often and again.

Mr. President, beyond all that he has been kindly and courteous at all times. Persuasive and powerful though he has been in debate, he nevertheless has been considerate of those who may have held divergent views from his.

I especially want to express my deep appreciation and consideration for the kindness he has at all times shown me. He has made me deeply grateful to him.

I rejoice in this service which has been his. It has redounded to his personal credit. It has brought honor to his State. He has been a distinction in the Senate of the United States.

Mr. McKELLAR. Mr. President, I endorse all that the distinguished Senator from Georgia [Mr. GEORGE] and the distinguished Senator from Maine [Mr. WHITE] have said about our colleague the senior Senator from Kentucky. He has been a great leader, and we are all proud of him. Let me make it short by saying, May he live long and prosper. That is my earnest wish, and I believe it is the earnest wish of every other Member of this body.

Mr. BARKLEY. Mr. President, at this time I wish to express my very profound appreciation and gratitude, first for the letter of the President, with whom I served in this body, as most of us have, for 10 years. The letter was written upon the occasion of the eighth anniversary of my selection to the post which I hold at this desk.