

passage of this bill. I know the influence behind this bill. It is a sinister and intolerable influence, and the people of this country will not submit long to legislation put through under such influences and for such purposes.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The question is, Shall the amendments be ordered to be engrossed and the bill read a third time?

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The bill was read the third time.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The question is, Shall the bill pass?

Mr. LA FOLLETTE. On that I ask for the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered, and the Secretary proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. BRANDEGEE (when his name was called). I am paired with the senior Senator from Tennessee [Mr. SHIELDS]. In his absence and not knowing how he would vote if present, I withhold my vote.

Mr. COLT (when his name was called). I am paired with the senior Senator from Delaware [Mr. SAULSBURY]. As he, if present, would vote as I am about to vote, I feel at liberty to vote, and therefore vote "yea."

Mr. CUMMINS (when his name was called). I have a pair with the Senator from Illinois [Mr. LEWIS]. If he were present, he would vote "yea." If I were at liberty to vote, I should vote "nay."

Mr. SMITH of Michigan (when his name was called). I have a pair with the senior Senator from Missouri [Mr. REED]. In his absence I transfer that pair to the senior Senator from Minnesota [Mr. NELSON] and vote "yea."

Mr. STERLING (when his name was called). I am paired with the senior Senator from South Carolina [Mr. SMITH]. I understand that that Senator, if present, would vote as I shall vote, and I am therefore at liberty to vote. I vote "yea."

Mr. THOMAS (when his name was called). I have a general pair with the senior Senator from North Dakota [Mr. McCUMBER], who is absent. In his absence I withhold my vote. If I were at liberty to vote, I should vote "nay."

Mr. TOWNSEND (when his name was called). I have a pair with the senior Senator from Arkansas [Mr. ROBINSON]. Not knowing how he would vote on this question, I withhold my vote. If at liberty to vote, I should vote "nay."

Mr. HARDWICK (when Mr. VARDAMAN's name was called). I have been requested to announce that the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. VARDAMAN] is out of the city on business of the Senate. If he were present, he would vote "nay." He is paired on this question with the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. SUTHERLAND].

The roll call was concluded.

Mr. KELLOGG. I desire to announce that my colleague [Mr. NELSON] has been compelled to leave the Chamber on account of illness. If he were present, he would vote "yea."

Mr. WARREN. My colleague [Mr. KENDRICK] is unavoidably absent. He is paired with the Senator from New Mexico [Mr. FALL].

Mr. BECKHAM. I have a general pair with the Senator from West Virginia [Mr. SUTHERLAND]. I understand that if he were present he would vote "yea." I shall therefore vote. I vote "yea."

Mr. TOWNSEND. I transfer my pair with the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. ROBINSON] to the Senator from New Jersey [Mr. BAIRD] and vote "nay."

Mr. SHEPPARD. I wish to announce that my colleague, the senior Senator from Texas [Mr. CULBERSON] is necessarily detained from the Senate. If present, he would vote for the bill.

Mr. GERRY. I desire to announce that the Senator from Missouri [Mr. REED], the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. VARDAMAN], and the Senator from Utah [Mr. KING] are absent on official business.

Mr. SAULSBURY. I wish to announce that the Senator from Maryland [Mr. SMITH] is absent on account of illness. He is paired with the Senator from Vermont [Mr. DILLINGHAM]. If present, he would vote "yea."

Mr. POLLOCK. I desire to announce that the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. SMITH] is detained from the Senate by illness. He is paired with the Senator from South Dakota [Mr. STERLING]. If present, he would vote "yea."

Mr. CURTIS. I have been requested to announce the following pairs:

The Senator from Vermont [Mr. DILLINGHAM] with the Senator from Maryland [Mr. SMITH];

The Senator from New Mexico [Mr. FALL] with the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. KENDRICK]; and

The Senator from West Virginia [Mr. GOFF] with the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. OWEN].

The result was announced—yeas 53, nays 18, as follows:

## YEAS—53.

Ashurst	Johnson, S. Dak.	Phelan	Sterling
Bankhead	Jones, Wash.	Pittman	Swanson
Beckham	Kellogg	Pollock	Thompson
Chamberlain	Kirby	Pomerene	Trammell
Colt	Knox	Ransdell	Underwood
Curtis	Lenroot	Saulsbury	Wadsworth
Fletcher	Lodge	Shafroth	Walsh
Frelinghuysen	McLean	Sheppard	Warren
Gay	Martin, Ky.	Simmons	Weeks
Gerry	Martin, Va.	Smith, Ariz.	Williams
Hale	New	Smith, Ga.	Wolcott
Henderson	Nugent	Smith, Mich.	
Hitchcock	Overman	Smoot	
Hollis	Page	Spencer	

## NAYS—18.

Borah	Harding	McNary	Sherman
Calder	Hardwick	Moses	Townsend
Fernald	Johnson, Cal.	Myers	Watson
France	Kenyon	Penrose	
Gore	La Follette	Poindexter	

## NOT VOTING—25.

Baird	Gronna	Nelson	Smith, S. C.
Brandegge	Jones, N. Mex.	Norris	Sutherland
Culberson	Kendrick	Owen	Thomas
Cummins	King	Reed	Vardaman
Dillingham	Lewis	Robinson	
Fall	McCumber	Shields	
Goff	McKellar	Smith, Md.	

So the bill was passed.

The title was amended so as to read: "A bill providing for the relief of such populations in Europe, and countries contiguous thereto, outside of Germany, German-Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria, and Turkey, as may be determined upon by the President as necessary."

Mr. MARTIN of Virginia. I move that the Senate request a conference with the House of Representatives on the bill and amendments, and that the Chair appoint the conferees on the part of the Senate.

The motion was agreed to; and the Vice President appointed Mr. MARTIN of Virginia, Mr. OVERMAN, and Mr. WARREN conferees on the part of the Senate.

## VALIDATION OF WAR CONTRACTS.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN. Mr. President, I am going to ask unanimous consent to take up a bill for consideration, but I am not going to ask that it be considered to-day. I should like to have it proceeded with the next time the Senate convenes; and I therefore ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of House bill 13274.

Mr. PENROSE. What is the bill?

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN. It is a bill to validate contracts that have been informally made. After it has been made the unfinished business I shall ask that it shall be laid aside until the next convening of the Senate.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Does the Senator move to take it up now?

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN. I do.

Mr. WEEKS. Mr. President, it is impossible to hear what is being said.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Senator from Oregon moves that the Senate proceed to the consideration of House bill 13274.

The motion was agreed to; and the Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, proceeded to consider the bill (H. R. 13274) to provide relief where formal contracts have not been made in the manner required by law, which had been reported from the Committee on Military Affairs with an amendment.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN. Mr. President, I ask that the bill be laid aside until the next convening of the Senate.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none.

## BUREAU OF WAR RISK INSURANCE.

Mr. THOMAS. From the Committee on Finance I report back favorably, without amendment, the joint resolution (S. J. Res. 214) authorizing and directing the accounting officers of the Treasury to allow credit to the disbursing clerk of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance in certain cases, and I ask unanimous consent for its present consideration.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Is there any objection to the present consideration of the joint resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, proceeded to consider the joint resolution, which was read, as follows:

*Resolved, etc.*, That for such reasonable time as may be fixed by the Secretary of the Treasury, but not extending beyond the fiscal year ending June 30, 1920, the accounting officers of the Treasury are hereby authorized and directed to allow credit in the accounts of the disbursing clerk of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance for all payments of insurance installments heretofore or hereafter made under the provi-