# President Truman presenting Medal of Merit to James Forrestal



**Description**
President Harry S. Truman (left) presenting Medal of Merit to James Forrestal, Secretary of Defense. In the background are Secretary of the Interior Julius Krug (far left) and Admiral William Leahy (between President Truman and Secretary Forrestal).

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**People Pictured** Forrestal, James, 1892-1949 Krug, Julius A. (Julius Albert), 1907-1970 Leahy, William D. (William Daniel), 1875-1959 Truman, Harry S., 1884-1972

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