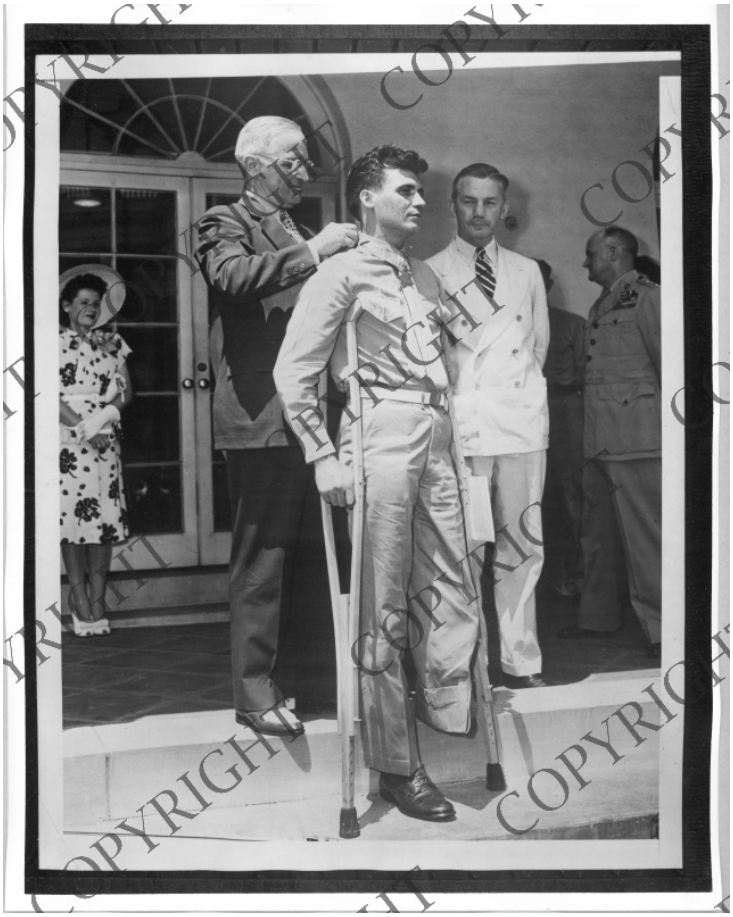
President Harry S. Truman Awards the Medal of Honor



Description
President Harry S. Truman presents the Congressional Medal of Honor to Marine Private First Class Luther Skaggs, Jr., of Henderson, Kentucky. This award was presented to this soldier and three others this day at a ceremony on the White House grounds. PFC Skaggs kept fighting for eight hours in the Guam landing, July, 1944, despite serious wounds which later cost him his left leg. Standing next to President Truman is Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal. Others in the background are unidentified.

Date(s)
June 15, 1945

Accession Number 66-3115

8x10 inches (21x26 cm) Black & White

Keywords Award presentations Awards Cabinet officers Presidents Soldiers World War, 1939-1945 Medal of Honor Marines

People Pictured Truman, Harry S., 1884-1972 Skaggs, Luther, Jr., 1923-1976 Forrestal, James, 1892-1949

Rights Copyrighted - This item is copyrighted and cannot be published, reproduced, or otherwise used without the explicit permission of the copyright holder.

Note: If you use this image, rights assessment and attribution are your responsibility.

Credit: Acme Newspictures Harry S. Truman Library & Museum.

Attention media: Please make note of this item's accession number. Print out this page and retain it for your permissions records before downloading this image file for possible publication. Library staff cannot sign permissions forms or provide additional paperwork. The Library charges no usage fees for downloaded images.