

# Mrs. Truman Attempting to Christen an Airplane



## Description

Mrs. Bess Wallace Truman attempting to break a bottle of champagne against the nose of a Navy hospital evacuation plane in order to christen it. A Navy officer is reaching up with a tool to bang the bottle and help her break it, after repeated vain attempts by Mrs. Truman. Standing behind Mrs. Truman is George Elsey.

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8x10 inches (21x26 cm)      Black & White

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**People Pictured** Truman, Bess Wallace, 1885-1982      Elsey, George McKee, 1918-2015

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