

# President Truman presents the Medal of Merit



## Description

President Harry S. Truman in the oval office with four men who received the Medal of Merit. L to R: W. John Kenney, Undersecretary of the Navy; W. Stuart Symington, Secretary of the Air Force; President Truman; James Forrestal, Secretary of Defense; and John L. Sullivan, Secretary of the Navy. Standing in the back on the left is Admiral William D. Leahy. Standing in the back on the right is Eben Ayers. Others are unidentified.

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**People Pictured** Kenney, W. John, 1904-1992    Truman, Harry S., 1884-1972    Forrestal, James, 1892-1949  
Sullivan, John L. (John Lawrence), 1899-1982    Symington, Stuart, 1901-1988    Ayers, Eben A., 1890-1977  
Leahy, William D. (William Daniel), 1875-1959

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