

## DECEMBER REPORT OF THE SOUTHWEST DISTRICT - J. WALTERS, VICE COMMANDANT

1. On December 12th I conducted Installation of Officers for the Three Rivers Detachment.
2. On December 17th I conducted Installation of Officers for the Laurel Highlands Detachment.
3. Most of the month of December was dedicated to the Allegheny Valley Detachment #827's Toys-4-Tots campaign. I delivered all the boxes to different locations, about 100 boxes in all myself and three of Santa's helpers from the detachment collected all the boxes and collected over 10,000 toys. These toys came from several organizations and businesses that collect for us every year and also from some families that hold Toys-4-Tots parties and collect toys. I attended several events representing the Allegheny Valley Detachment but also the Department of Pa. At some of these events I spoke about the Marine Corps League and how we became involved with the Toys-4-Tots campaign. I put approximately 1300 miles on my personal vehicle and another 500 on a rented van during the campaign. Considering the economic conditions this year, I feel the Marine Corps League did well in brightening the Christmas Mornings of millions of children nation wide and thousands in our local areas.