

## DALE LAMBIRD TO BE NEW RURAL CARRIER

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Dale Lambird began Monday to go over Route Six, Newton, with Marney Isley, substitute carrier, to learn the route, before his appointment becomes effective next Tuesday. He succeeds Roy Freeman, who retired more than a year ago.

Dale has resigned as teacher of Kedron school and has been succeeded by Harrison Brown, who has been teaching Pleasant Ridge school. Mrs. Brown, who taught Pleasant Ridge the past two years, succeeds her husband there.

The Post Office Department disclosed Monday that it plans to employ a large number of women but there probably will be no women letter carriers.

In his annual report to Congress, Postmaster General Frank C. Walker said "it appears that ultimately, as our armed forces increase, the postal service must be maintained by the utilization of large numbers of women and men above the draft age. While we will have difficulty in taking on the work, plans for recruiting and training them have been prepared."

Another official explained that this did not mean women would be used as mail carriers. That was tried in the last war and again more recently without success, he said, explaining that women can not stand the strain of carrying even half the maximum load of fifty pounds of mail handled by men.