

## **To Rural Route Patrons**

In view of the extent to which the practice of placing loose coins in boxes by rural patrons has grown, and the delay in the delivery and collection of mail and the hardship imposed on rural carriers incident thereto, you are informed that, commencing February 15, proximo, rural letter carriers will not be required to collect loose coins from rural mail boxes.

Patrons should enclose coins in an envelope, wrap them securely in a piece of paper, or deposit them in a coin-holding receptacle, so they can be easily and quickly taken from boxes, and carriers will be required to lift such coins, and, where accompanied by mail for dispatch, attach the requisite stamps.—By order of the post-office department.

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