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FRANK BLAIR DIES; RETIRED MAIL CARRIER

Frank Blair, 74 retired mail carrier, well known to many Auburnians through his many years of faithful service in the postal department, died last Saturday evening in a local nursing home. Mr. Blair resided at 5 MacDougall Street. He was born in Auburn on Christmas Day, December 25, 1870.

For 42 years, Mr. Blair was a mail carrier, retiring nine years ago. His wife, Minnie Robinson Blair, died July 23, 1944. He was one of the oldest members of the local Letter Carriers Association, both as to age and point of service and was a member for more than 50 years. Mr. Blair was prominent in fraternal circles, especially in the Knights of Pythias, serving as district deputy in that organization four terms, from 1920 to 1923, inclusive. He was chancellor commander for two terms, 1917 and 1918. Surviving Mr. Blair are two daughters, Mrs. William Schaeffer and Mrs. Charles G. Mack of Auburn; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Duff and Miss Grace Blair of Cleveland, O., and Mrs. Gertrude Sinclair of Hartford, Conn.; and three grandchildren, Gretchen Schaeffer, William Schaeffer, Jr., and Nancy B. Mack, all of Auburn. Funeral services will be held at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon at the funeral chapel of Lester S. Brew, 48 South Street, with Rev. Hal T. Kearns, former pastor of First Universalist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery, Fleming. Friends have been invited to call at 48 South Street from 7 to 9 this evening. Cayuga Lodge, Knights of Pythias, will conduct services at 8 o'clock this evening at the funeral home.

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