

Former Blair Press building to be sold

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The building that once housed one of the county's newspapers will be put up for sale and the business likely closed.

Martin Henschel, the brother of former Blair Press publisher Lee Henschel, told the Times earlier this week that he would be listing the building for sale and that would likely mean the end of the newspaper too.


"There's no way I was ever going to figure out how to re-open the business or even sell the business part of it," Martin Henschel said.

Lee Henschel, 62, died Jan. 9 after serving as the editor and publisher of the publication since 1998. His brother hopes to sell the building — and anything in it — in the near future. The Press office has been closed since Lee Henschel's death

and has not published an edition since Jan. 2.

According to the Wisconsin Newspaper Association directory, the 120-year-old Press had a circulation of 902. Those who subscribed to the weekly publication aren't likely to see a refund of their money, however, the Times is offering a discount of \$5 for Blair and Taylor residents wishing to subscribe for the first time.

The Times was named the official publication of the city of Blair at the Feb. 4 council meeting.



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