U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. FORM 4 ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP ( ) Check box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b). 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Melton, Rollan D. Gannett Co., Inc. 1100 Wilson Boulevard Arlington, Virginia 22234 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Gannett Co., Inc.

("GCI")

- 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Year
- June 30, 1997 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
- Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all applicable)
   (X) Director ( ) 10% Owner ( ) Officer (give title below) ( ) Other
   (specify below)

1. Title of Security	Trans   	3. action          Code	or Disposed		·	5.Amount of   Securities   Beneficially   Owned at   End of Year	6.Dir  ect  (D)or  Indir  ect(I	Benefic   	of Indirect ial Ownership
Common Stock	04/25/  97	G	X 2,475 	D 	N/A 	See Below	I 	(1) 	
Common Stock	06/04/  97		3,500 	D 	\$92.5000 	43,375 	D 		
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Explanation of Responses:

(1) Co-trustee of family

trust.

(2) Held by the trustee of the Company's 401(k) Plan, Boston Safe Deposit and

Trust Company.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

Rollan D. Melton

DATE

June 2, 1997