FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Person* MCCORKINDALE DOUGLAS H					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GANNETT CO INC /DE/ [GCI]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
(Last)	(F	First)	(Middle)			ate of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 13/2003								X	Officer (g below)		Pres an	Other (specify below)		
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution Date			e, Transaction Di			I. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			and 5) Securities Beneficially Owned Fol		6. Own Form: (D) or I (I) (Ins	Direct II Indirect E tr. 4) C	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	.	Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and				nstr. 4)	
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative E			5. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exe	e rcisable	Ex Da	piration te	Title	Amour or Number of Shar	er		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)				
Phantom Stock	0 ⁽¹⁾	06/13/2003		A		737.819		08/0	08/1988 ⁽²⁾	08	/08/1988 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	737.8	319	\$76.25	96,702.	.529	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- These shares of phantom stock convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- 2. These shares of phantom stock are payable on various dates selected by the reporting person or as provided in the issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan.

Thomas L. Chapple, Attorney-

<u>06/17/2003</u>

<u>in-Fact</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

 $Reminder: Report \ on \ a \ separate \ line \ for \ each \ class \ of \ securities \ beneficially \ owned \ directly \ or \ indirectly.$

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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