

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

McCorkindale, Douglas H.
 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

March 31, 1998

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all applicable)

(X) Director () 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) () Other
 (specify below)
 Vice Chairman and President

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Transaction Date	3. Transaction Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	5. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year	6. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock	03/11/98	M	25,000	A \$18.0625	See Below	D	
Common Stock	03/11/98	S	25,000	D \$66.0000	See Below	D	
Common Stock	03/16/98	M	35,000	A \$18.0625	See Below	D	
Common Stock	03/16/98	S	35,000	D \$67.9239	362,116	D	
Common Stock	To 02/28/98				16,093.576	I	(1)
Common Stock	To 12/31/97				610.380	I	(2)
Common Stock					874	I	(3)

Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year	10. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
Stock Option	\$18.0625	03/11/98	M	25,000	D 12/31/94 - 12/31/98	Common Stock 25,000	0	35,000	D	
Stock Option	\$18.0625	03/16/98	M	35,000	D 12/31/94 - 12/31/98	Common Stock 35,000	0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Held by the trustee of the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan, The Northern Trust Company.
- (2) Held by the trustee of the Company's 401(k) Plan, Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company.
- (3) Held by the spouse and/or immediate family member of the reporting person. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/ Douglas H. McCorkindale