

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 Ehrman, Jr., Daniel S.
 7918 Manor House Drive
 Fairfax Station, Virginia 22039
2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)
 November 13, 1997
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Gannett Co., Inc.
 ("GCI")
5. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other
 (specify below)
 Vice President/Planning and Development
6. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	3. Ownership Form: Direct(D) or Indirect(I)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock	6,000	D	
Common Stock	488	I	(1)

Table II -- Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct(D) or Indirect(I)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
Stock Options	12/30/95 12/30/99	Common Stock	1,860 \$22.3750	D	
Stock Options	12/07/96 12/07/00	Common Stock	1,900 \$25.6875	D	
Stock Options	12/14/97 12/14/01	Common Stock	2,880 \$27.7500	D	
Stock Options	12/13/98 12/13/02	Common Stock	2,600 \$23.6250	D	
Stock Options	12/12/99 12/12/03	Common Stock	5,400 \$32.0000	D	
Stock Options	12/10/00 12/10/06	Common Stock	10,040 \$37.3750	D	

Explanation of Responses:
 (1) Held by the trustee of the Company's 401(k) Plan, Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
 /s/ Daniel S. Ehrman, Jr.