GANNETT CO INC /DE/

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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McCorkindale I (Last) Gannett Co., Inc 7950 Jones Bran	of Reporting Person,					tatement for hth/Day/Year il 23, 2003	to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Chairman, President and Chief			
McLean, VA 22					Date	Amendment, e of Original onth/Day/Year)	7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	1	Fable	I Non l	Dominio	Reporting Person Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
Security	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/ Year)	3. Trans action C (Instr. 8 Code	Code c	Securities or Dispose Instr. 3, 4 Amount	d of (Ľ		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	4/22/03		S		13,200	D	\$76.00	~		
Common Stock	4/22/03		S		10,000	D	\$76.10			
Common Stock	4/22/03		S		6,800	D	\$76.20			
Common Stock	4/23/03		S		13,500	D	\$76.00			
Common Stock	4/23/03		S		10,000	D	\$76.08	3		
Common Stock	4/23/03		S		100	D	\$76.09			
Common Stock	4/23/03		S		3,400	D	\$76.10			
Common Stock	4/23/03		S		300	D	\$76.12	,		

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Common Stock	4/23/03	S	2,100	D	\$76.14			
Common Stock	4/23/03	S	10,600	D	\$76.15			
Common Stock	4/23/03	S	10,000	D	\$76.25	432,116	D	
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2. Conver-	3.	3A.	4.	5.		6. Date Exerc	isable	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature
Derivative	sion or	Trans-	Deemed	Trans-	Numberand Expiration			n	Amount of		Derivative	Derivative	Owner-	of Indirect
Security	Exercise	action	Execution	action	of Date				Underlying		Security	Securities	ship	Beneficial
	Price of	Date	Date,	Code	Deri	vati	(Mealonth/Day/		Secui	rities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Form	Ownership
(Instr. 3)	Derivative		if any		Secu	ritie	¥ ear)		(Instr	. 3 & 4)		Owned	of Deriv-	(Instr. 4)
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										of				
										Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

(1) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

By: /s/ <u>Todd A. Mayman</u> Attorney-in-Fact April 24, 2003 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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