

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
 Curley, John J.
 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
 February 28, 1998
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 () Director () 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) () Other
 (specify below)
 Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year	6. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Amount	A/D	Price			
Common Stock	02/18/98	M	5,000	A	\$18.0625	See Below	D	
Common Stock	02/18/98	S	5,000	D	\$63.0125	See Below	D	
Common Stock	02/20/98	M	10,000	A	\$18.0625	See Below	D	
Common Stock	02/20/98	S	10,000	D	\$63.2500	See Below	D	
Common Stock	02/23/98	A	3,087	A	\$63.3125	See Below	D	
Common Stock	02/23/98	M	10,000	A	\$18.0625	See Below	D	
Common Stock	02/23/98	S	10,000	D	\$64.2500	See Below	D	
Common Stock	02/25/98	M	5,000	A	\$18.0625	See Below	D	
Common Stock	02/25/98	S	5,000	D	\$64.5000	See Below	D	
Common Stock	02/27/98	M	5,000	A	\$18.0625	See Below	D	
Common Stock	02/27/98	S	5,000	D	\$64.6250	373,076	D	
Common Stock	To 12/31/97					21,513.808	I	(1)
Common Stock						31,628	I	(2)
Common Stock						14,217	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)	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 Options	\$18.0625	02/18/98	M	5,000	A 12/31/94 12/31/98	Common Stock 5,000	0	65,000	D	
Stock Options	\$18.0625	02/20/98	M	10,000	A 12/31/94 12/31/98	Common Stock 10,000	0	55,000	D	
Stock Options	\$18.0625	02/23/98	M	10,000	A 12/31/94 12/31/98	Common Stock 10,000	0	45,000	D	

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Stock Options	\$18.0625	02/25/98	M		5,000	A	12/31/94	12/31/98	Common Stock	5,000	0	40,000	D
Stock Options	\$18.0625	02/27/98	M		5,000	A	12/31/94	12/31/98	Common Stock	5,000	0	35,000	D

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Held by the trustee of the Company's 401(k) Plan, Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company.
- (2) Beneficially owned by the John J. Curley Charitable Remainder Unitrust, of which the reporting person is an "insider trustee".
- (3) Beneficially owned by the John J. Curley Charitable Remainder Unitrust #2, of which the reporting person is an "insider trustee".

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/s/ John J. Curley