

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

Clark-Johnson, Susan
 Reno Gazette-Journal
 955 Kuenzli
 Reno, Nevada 89502
 USA

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

July 31, 1997

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)
 Senior Group President/Pacific Newspaper Group

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

1. Title of Security	2. Transaction Date	3. Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year	6. Dir (D) or Indir (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Amount	A/D	Price			
Common Stock	07/18/97	S	300	D	\$103.0000	11,047	D	
Common Stock						526	I	(1)
Common Stock	to 06/30/97					491.040	I	(1)(2)
Common Stock	to 06/30/97					2,140.901	I	(2)
Common Stock	to 06/30/97					232.021	I	(1)(3)
Common Stock	to 06/30/97					171.832	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. 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. Dir (D) or Indir (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Explanation of Responses:

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

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/ Susan Clark-Johnson