## GANNETT CO INC /DE/

Form 5

February 10, 2003

## FORM 5

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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| 1. Name and A Walker Cecil 1          | ddress of Repor      | 2. Issuer Nan<br><b>Gannett Co.</b>                                |  |  | ading S  | Symbol                   | 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)                                   |  |   |  |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|--------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| (Last)  Gannett Co., I  7950 Jones Br | of Reporting Person, |  |  |  | atement for<br>th/Year<br><b>mber 29, 2002</b> | Director                 |   |  |   |  |
|                                       |                      |  |  |  |  |                          | <u>former</u><br>officer  |  |   |  |
|                                       | (Street)             |  |  |  |  | Amendment,               | 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing   |  |   |  |
| McLean, VA 2                          | 22107                |  |  |  |  | of Original<br>nth/Year) | (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |   |  |
| (City                                 | y) (State) (         | Table  | I Non-De                               | erivative  | osed of, or Beneficially Owned                 |                          |   |  |   |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | action<br>Date       | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution<br>Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/<br>Year) | 3. Trans-<br>action Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquires (A) or Disposed of (I) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)  Amount (A) Property (D) |  |                          | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Issuer's Fiscal year (Instr. 3 & 4)                  | 6. Owner-<br>ship Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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FORM 5 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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

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|---|------------|-----------|-----------|---------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|--|
| 1. Title of   | 2. Conver- | 3. Trans- | 3A.       | 4.      | 5. Number of   | 6. Date Exercisable | 7. Title and Amount | 8. Price of | 9. Number of | 10.       | 11. Natu  |  |
| Derivative  | sion or    | action    | Deemed    | Trans-  | Derivative     | and Expiration      | of Underlying       | Derivative  | Derivative   | Owner-    | of Indire |  |
| Security  | Exercise   | Date      | Execution | action  | Securities     | Date                | Securities          | Security    | Securities   | ship      | Benefici  |  |
|   | Price of   |           | Date,     | Code    | Acquired (A)   | (Month/Day/         | (Instr. 3 & 4)      | (Instr. 5)  | Beneficially | Form      | Ownersl   |  |
| (Instr. 3)  | Derivative | (Month/   | if any    |         | or Disposed    | Year)               |                     |             | Owned        | of Deriv- | (Instr. 4 |  |
|   |            | •         | (Month/   | (Instr. | of (D)         |                     |                     |             | at End of    | ative     |           |  |
|   |            |           | Day/      | 8)      |                |                     |                     |             | Year         | Security: |           |  |
|   |            |           | Year)     |         | (Instr. 3, 4 & |                     |                     |             | (Instr. 4)   | Direct    |           |  |
|   |            |           |           |         | 5)             |                     |                     |             |              | (D)       |           |  |
|   |            |           |           |         |                |                     |                     |             |              |           |           |  |

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|                  |         |          |    | (A)       | ` / | Exer-cisable | Expira-<br>tion<br>Date | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |         |                       | or<br>Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|------------------|---------|----------|----|-----------|-----|--------------|-------------------------|--|---------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Phantom<br>Stock | 1-for-1 | 02/21/01 | A5 | 1,962.963 |     | Immed.       |                         | 1,962.963                              | \$67.50 | 18,381.201 <u>(1)</u> | D                                   |  |

Explanation of Responses:

(1) This information is as of December 31, 2001, the date on which the reporting person ceased to be subject to Section 16. Prior Forms 4 and 5 reported transactions under the Issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan in Table I, as transactions in Common Stock. These transactions are now reported in Table II, Column 9 of this Form 5, as transactions in Phantom Stock.

By: /s/ Cecil L. Walker

February 4, 2003

Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

\*\*Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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