#### GANNETT CO INC /DE/ Form 4 December 05, 2001

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FORM 4

#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Section 30(	f) of the Investment Com	pany Act of 1940	
	longer subject of Sectio nue. See Instruction 1(b		5
1. Name and Address of Rep	 orting Person*		
Sherlock	Gary	F.	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	
Gannett Co., Inc. 7950 Jo	nes Branch Drive		
	(Street)		
McLean	Virginia		
(City)	(State)		
2. Issuer Name and Ticker	or Trading Symbol		
Gannett Co., Inc. ("GCI")			
3. IRS or Social Security			
4. Statement for Month/Yea	r		
November, 2001			
5. If Amendment, Date of O	riginal (Month/Year)		
6. Relationship of Reporti	ng Person to Issuer		

	] Director [ ] 10% Owner X ] Officer (give title below) [ ] Other (specify below)						
Group President/Atlantic Ne	ewspaper Group						
7. Individual or Joint/Grou		cable line	÷)				
[ X] Form filed by one F [ ] Form filed by more		rson					
 Table I Non-I	Derivative Securities in or Beneficially Owner		Dispos	======= ed of, ========	==		
				4. Securities Acquired Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (mm/dd/yy)	 Code	v. 8)	Amount	(A) or (D)		
Common Stock	11/19/01	М		3 <b>,</b> 650			
Common Stock	11/19/01	S		3 <b>,</b> 650	D	\$68.6537	
Common Stock	11/19/01	М		19,200	А	\$32.00	
Common Stock	11/19/01	S		19,200	D	\$68.6537	
Common Stock	11/19/01	М		21,160	А	\$37.3750	
Common Stock	11/19/01					\$68.6537	
	To 09/30/03	 1					
Common Stock							

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

<sup>\*</sup> If the Form is filed by more than one Reporting Person, see Instruction  $4\left(b\right)\left(v\right)$  .

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Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Conv sion of Exer cise Pric		3.	4. Trans- action	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
1. Title of	of action Deriv- Date		Code (Instr	of(D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)			Amount
Derivative	ative	tive (Month/	8)			Date Exer-	Expira- tion		Number of
Security (Instr. 3)	Secur- Day/ ity Year)							Shares	
Stock Options		11/19/01	М		3,650	12/13/98	12/13/02		3,650
Stock Options	\$32.00								19,200
Stock Options	\$37.3750	11/19/01	М		21,160	12/10/00	12/10/06	Common Stock	21,160
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#### Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Held by the trustee of the Company's 401(k) Plan, Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company.
- (2) Held by the trustee of the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan, The Northern Trust Company.

/s/Gary F. Sherlock 12/05/01
------\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed.

If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedures.

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