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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Davidson Paul					me and Tico., Inc. ("G		Pε	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
(Last) (First) (Middle) Gannett Co., Inc. 7950 Jones Branch Drive				rting	ntification is Person, (voluntary)	Numbe	Mon	atement for th/Day/Year nary 7, 2003	10 X	_ Director				
	(Street)						5. If	Amendment,	M	hief Executive ledia Group Individual or .	/Newsquest Joint/Group Filing			
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(City) (State) ((Zip)	Г	Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acqu						ed, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/	,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (Ĉ & 5)))	(A) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follow-		. r				
	Year)	(Month/Day/ Year)	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	ing Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	01/07/03		M		3,375	A	\$54.31							
Common Stock	01/07/03		S		2,200	D	\$75.04							
Common Stock	01/07/03		S		615	D	\$75.20		2,610	D				

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

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

1. Title of	2. Conver-	3. Trans-	3A.	4.	5.	6. Date Exercisable	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature
Derivative	sion or	action	Deemed	Trans-	Number	and Expiration	Amount of	Derivative	Derivative	Owner-	of Indirect

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Security (Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/ Day/ Year)	if any (Month/	action Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)				Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4)		Security (Instr. 5)	Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		Beneficial Ownershij (Instr. 4)
				Code V	4 & 7 (A)	(D)		Expira- tion Date		Amount or Number of Shares			(I) (Instr. 4)	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$54.31	01/07/03		M		3,375	(1)		Common Stock	3,375		6,750	D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) The initial option for 13,500 shares vested in four equal annual installments beginning on December 5, 2001.

By: /s/ <u>Todd A. Mayman</u> Attorney-in-Fact <u>January 8, 2003</u>

Date

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^{**}Signature of Reporting Person

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