

GANNETT CO INC /DE/  
Form 8-K  
March 27, 2006

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (date of earliest event reported):**

March 27, 2006

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**GANNETT CO., INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or

**1-6961**  
(Commission File Number)

**16-0442930**  
(I.R.S. Employer

Organization of Registrant)

Identification No.)

**7950 Jones Branch Drive, McLean, Virginia**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**(703) 854-6000**

**22107-0910**  
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 1.02. Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On March 27, 2006, Gannett Co., Inc. (the Company ) and Douglas H. McCorkindale, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company (the Board ), mutually agreed that the term of Mr. McCorkindale s employment under his employment agreement will not be extended and will end effective June 30, 2006.

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

On March 27, 2006, the Company announced that its Board has elected Arthur H. Harper to serve as a director of the Company effective March 31, 2006. Mr. Harper has not yet been named to a Board committee.

A press release announcing the election of Mr. Harper is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Gannett Co., Inc.

Date: March 27, 2006

By: /s/ Todd A. Mayman  
Todd A. Mayman  
Vice President,

Associate General Counsel and Secretary

**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
|--------------------|---|
| 99.1               | Press release announcing the election of Mr. Harper to the Company's Board. |