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THE RELATIONSHIP OF WINNING A PULITZER PRIZE TO NEWSPAPER CIRCULATION

An Abstract of the Problem by Ronald E. McIntosh

The purpose of this study was to determine if there is a relationship between newspaper quality and newspaper success. Winning a Pulitzer Prize was the operational definition of quality, while success was operationalized as increased circulation.

Twenty-two newspapers, all morning or all-day dailies, were studied in this project. Eleven of the papers which won Pulitzer Prizes in the period of 1979 to 1989 were compared to 11 similar newspapers which did not win Pulitzers. The winning papers over the 11-year period outdistanced the non-winning papers in circulation-population ratio by 1.58 percent per year.

A relationship was found in a variety of ways, including using a ratio of population increases to circulation increases and comparing average ratios over an 11-year period to ratios in the years when Pulitzer material appeared in the newspaper and in the years when the announcement of the award was made. Data show that the ratio was highest in

announcement years, indicating there is a relationship between winning a Pulitzer Prize and increased circulation.

A significant relationship (p <.0001) was found in a multiple regression test which said that 51 percent of the circulation changes (the dependent variable) could be explained by three independent variables; winning the Pulitzer, population, and competition. Population change was found to be the best predictor of circulation change, while winning the Pulitzer Prize was also a significant predictor. However, when winning a prize became the dependant variable, circulation was found to be a significant predictor as well.

A significant relationship between circulation and population also was found in a Pearson product-moment correlation.

In a series of Spearman rank-order correlation tests involving newspapers ranked by number of Pulitzer prizes won during the 1979-1989 period as one variable, and rank by circulation as the second variable, a relationship was found in tests of the 11 Pulitzer winners in this study, of all Pulitzer winners in the same period, and of "top-10" and "top-15" newspaper lists.

INTRODUCTION

Is there a relationship between newspaper quality and success? Researchers Lacy and Fico (1989), Stone and Trotter (1981), Chaffee and Choe (1981) and others have used a combination of elements associated with quality and success and have attempted to measure the impact of one on the other. In the search of literature for this study, none measured the relationship in exactly the same way.

The question of the relationship between quality and success has two subset questions: What is newspaper quality and what is newspaper success? Is quality a subjective, elusive element, or can it be quantified?

Williams (1986) said "not all research problems lend themselves well to quantitative approaches...it might be much more important to develop qualitative descriptions of linguistic sequences than to use numbers for the task."

However, in all the research literature examined for this study, the researchers did quantify quality. In this study quality is given a subjective, qualitative mode.

Why is this study important, and why is it being done?

First, no one has used the Pulitzer Prize as an operational definition of quality, and no one has studied the relationship of the Pulitzer Prize with circulation. Second, if there is a relationship between quality and success it substantiates the claims and ambitions of those who believe that presentation of a better product will be rewarded with higher circulation and subsequent revenue. If there is no

relationship, that finding would add to the body of knowledge in this field and could mean that newspaper publishers might simply strive to find the largest market, put out a paper as cheaply as possible and reap the profits.

CHAPTER I

LITERATURE REVIEW

QUALITY

Bigman (1948), Grotta (1971), Ghiglione (1973), Weaver & Mullins (1975), Kenney and Lacy (1987), Lacy and Fico (1989), Stone, Stone and Trotter (1981) and Litman and Bridges (1986) are some of the researchers who have attempted to measurer newspaper quality. While they all varied in their research methods, they each eventually quantified quality by measuring the amounts of elements identified as quality and concluded that newspapers with the greatest amount of those elements had the most "quality".

Bigman (1948) was one of the first to define newspaper quality in terms of financial commitment. He measured the proportion of space devoted to news content and advertising and said more news space is better.

Grotta (1971) used the size of newsholes (amount of space allotted to editorial material as opposed to the amount of space allotted for advertising) and number of editorial employees as his prime measure of quality, while also including editorial and local news space allotment and subscription and advertising prices. In that study Grotta was attempting to measure the impact on those "quality" variables when newspapers were consolidated with other newspapers and/or placed under new ownership.

<u>Time</u> magazine (April 30, 1984, Pp. 58-63) named what the magazine's editors and writers considered to be the 10 best daily newspapers in the U.S. Their definition of quality included emphasis on enterprise reporting, trend-conscious life-style reporting, and stories about the arts and popular culture, especially television. Also cited was the range of syndicated news and features. The <u>Time</u> story outlined it main credentials for inclusion in the "top 10" as imaginative staff coverage of regional, national and foreign issues; liveliness in writing, layout and graphics; national impact achieved through general enterprise, command of some particular field of coverage or a track record of training top-rank younger journalists. (APPENDIX G)

In the June 11, 1983, edition of Editor & Publisher (pg. 11), the Media Research Institute at California State University, Northridge, reported its "top 15 U.S. dailies".(APPENDIX F) That list was compiled after a survey in which 610 publishers, editors and journalism professors filled out a questionnaire ranking the top papers nationally and regionally.

Ghiglione (1973) measured newspaper quality by having a panel of 13 journalists write critiques of at least 2,500 words about each of 109 New England daily newspapers. That study, the New England Daily Newspaper Survey, was one of the largest ever undertaken. Becker, Beam and Russial (1978) reexamined that study, and from the critiques they coded four main quality categories. They were: news existence (coverage of all areas of news), news evaluation (evaluator comments about the thoroughness and balance of stories), editorial

page, and news presentation (quality of writing, editing, typography and layout, photography, picture use, headlines and selection of and play of stories).

Weaver & Mullins (1975) defined "quality" by listing and measuring the content of the "leading newspapers" in communities with two newspapers. They found that the paper with the largest circulation, the leading paper in the community, usually included more quality elements than did the trailing paper. They also looked at the number of news services each subscribed to, and when the papers were published. They found that leading papers and trailing papers were similar except that leading papers had more home news, more human interest news and more sports news. In contrast to Bigman's thesis, the leading papers in this study also devoted a larger percentage of space to advertising.

Kenney and Lacy (1987) also studied the competitive aspects of the newspaper business to see if competition would influence the number of quality-related elements in the competing papers. They found that as competition increased, the percentage of graphics and color on the front pages --- defined as elements of quality -- also increased. They said financial commitment to the news-editorial product is the key intervening variable relating competition intensity to news content changes.

In a continuation and magnification of that premise,
Lacy and Fico (1989) say in the Lacy model that the quality
of the media is related to financial expenditure. Lacy and

Fico used a quality index in that study which was based in part on a survey of 746 newspaper editors conducted by Leo Bogart in 1977. Seven of the qualities the editors considered important were operationalized in a content analysis coding protocol that was then used to analyze data from newspaper samples. Bogart's quality elements were high ratio of staff-written copy to wire service and feature service copy; total amount of non-advertising copy; high ratio of news interpretations and back-grounders to spot news reports; high ratio of illustration to text; number of wire services carried; length of the average front-page news story and high ratio of advertising to non-advertising content.

Stone, Stone & Trotter (1981), in a study defining newspaper quality, asked editors in 50 states to list their first four choices of good and bad journalistic products among dailies published in their states with circulations of less than 200,000. From that data they used a point system to categorize papers as either superior or inferior. Using those ratings as a base, and performing a content analysis of the rated papers, they created a scale of newspaper quality.

Litman and Bridges (1986) accomplished a thorough search of literature and applied that knowledge to a study to isolate standards of performance (quality) in correlation with a variety of economic indicators. They were trying to see if competitive pressures would lead to increases in the elements they associated with quality. They found that

newspapers in competitive situations generally carried more wire services and devoted more space to news.

While most of the researchers, including Kenneth Byerly (1961) in his book, <u>Community Journalism</u>, generally identify the characteristics of quality as news, editorials, typography, general appearance and the amount of news space in ratio to advertising space, there were vast differences in the importance subscribed to each and in the proportion of those elements needed to achieve quality.

It is obvious that a solid, workable, consistent definition of quality is difficult to obtain. Litman and Bridges (1986), in referring to studies about newspaper consolidation and performance, said "...because of disparate methodologies and varied definitions of newspaper performance (i.e., "quality"), communication scholars have had great difficulty reconciling the results of these studies..."

But suppose the colossal obstacle of defining quality is forded, and a workable, practical definition is found. That would lead to another question: Is the definition of quality measured from the point of view of newspaper people, from the sometimes very different view of readers and non-readers, or is it the view of the researcher?

The second part of the question --- how is success measured? --- also poses several definitional questions and more subset questions evolving around more dependent variables. Is success high circulation; higher advertising sales; a high rate of return on investment dollar or the

ability to simply survive and stave off competition?

Newspaper success has many metaphors. Basic, of course, is the businessman's bottom line and the paper's ability to exist. But accurate profit figures are difficult to obtain, and can be misleading unless viewed over a long period. Advertising sales figures, too, are difficult to directly relate to success. The variables in those figures --- dollars and inches --- are complex. Thus, researchers --- always on the outside looking in --- usually equate a newspaper's success with circulation figures. Circulation figures, even unexplained and in a vacuum, may offer the best picture of a newspapers "success", or lack of it. But all the variables must again be considered to achieve an accurate measurement of success. Some of the variables which could influence bottom-line data include increased/decreased competition, population fluctuations, news events, newspaper prices, state of the economy, management and/or ownership changes, times of publication, readership gratification changes (extrinsic and intrinsic), degree of community political involvement and advertiser campaigns/spending.

According to Paula Poindexter (1979), there were 574 studies completed between 1950 and 1979 by communication researchers analyzing news media use patterns. Essentially, the researchers sought to find who does and who doesn't read newspapers, and why. At best, measuring success in terms of

circulation is cumbersome and complex, but has been and still seems to be the best available measuring instrument.

QUALITY-SUCCESS RELATIONSHIP

What have researchers found in their attempts to examine the relationship between quality and circulation?

Lacy and Fico (1989) say variation in product is more often the reason a consumer selects one paper before another; and the relationship between financial commitment and quality is statistically significant, but not as strong as they expected. They said quality accounts for a "fairly large proportion of the variance in circulation." Their study suggests that "competition makes better newspapers through financial commitment and that better newspapers sell more copies, as a general rule."

Stone and Trotter (1981), in looking at community traits as predictors of circulation, found that while community traits account for 75 percent of a newspapers' circulation, a "portion of the remaining 25 percent of circulation may be inherent in the newspaper itself: its content, appearance or operations". Stone, Stone and Trotter (1981) said newspaper quality can increase or lower circulation in a significant number of newspaper publishing sites. They said quality could account for at least 3.4 percent of the explained variance in total circulation of their sample. Burgoon and Burgoon (1980), in a readership study in four cities, Poughkeepsie, N.J.; Ft. Meyers, Fla.; Springfield, Mo., and Reno, Nev., found editorial "quality"

was significant in predicting readership. In this case "quality" fell under the headings of editorial-production evaluation and overall satisfaction with the paper.

Becker, Beam & Russial (1978) say there is "evidence readers are sensitive to the quality of the news product.

Analyses using a measure of newspaper saturation (market size divided by circulation) shows that those papers with the highest performance scores also had the highest saturation figures."

Chaffee and Choe (1981) said the major implication of their study was the conclusion that lost newspaper readership is not directly attributable to deficiencies in the newspaper itself. Weaver and Mullins (1975) concluded their study by saying it is clear there is a relationship between using additional news services and being the leader in circulation.

There appears to be a need to better define quality; to control and include all the variables in the measurement of success/circulation, and coordinate a study of the two to see if there is a measurable relationship between quality and success.

Predominantly, researchers who have sought ways to define and quantify newspaper quality seem to suggest that more is better. Litman and Bridges (1986), for example, found that leading papers in competitive situations usually carry more wire services and have more space devoted to their newshole. Kenney and Lacy (1987) said competition spurred more use of graphics and color on the front pages. Those

authors and many others reached that conclusion in what appears to be a logical progression. They look at the bestselling papers, do a content analysis and compare their content frequencies with papers with less circulation. Thus, the leading paper which often is larger, also has more of everything. Bigman (1948) suggested that quality could be defined as the paper with the largest news-to-advertising ratio. While that could be the case for some papers, it is more often a case of other variables; foremost among them being an attempt by newspaper management to control costs and profits. Most news executives know their total costs to produce a newspaper, know the per-page cost and then determine how many advertising dollars they need to support X-amount of news space. William A. Henry III (1990), in an article in Time magazine, said ".. for readers, any lasting shortfall in advertising leads to a reduction in news coverage. Most publications maintain a more or less fixed ratio between advertising pages and editorial pages, permitting short-term variations but cutting news space and staff if a slump persists.... "The average "healthy" paper runs on a ratio of advertising to news of between 50-75 percent advertising and 50-25 percent news. Lovell (1980) says "a newspaper must devote a certain percentage of its space to advertising to earn the revenue it needs to stay in business. Typically, this is 60 to 65 percent." The U.S. Postal Service also plays a role in the advertising-news

ratio in that it will not allow papers containing less than 25 percent news to be mailed under bulk-newspaper rates.

Researchers also have used a variety of methods to measure the success of a newspaper. Some look at bottom line figures when they can find them; some look at circulation increases and decreases, and some simply consider success or superiority as the paper with the greatest circulation in competitive situations.

Blankenburg (1982) probed the relationship of financial commitment and circulation and said a hypothesis that quality in newspapers yields profits finds some support, but questions remain. He cited several problems but suggested the main one is the lack of an "adequate operationalization of quality..."

Lacy and Fico (1989) said a better measure of quality might even increase the strength of the relationship they found between journalistic quality and financial success.

Is good journalism good business? Byerly (1961) reported a study at the University of Washington's School of Communications of 77 Washington weekly newspapers found that only 40 percent of the newspapers rated "superior in journalistic quality" were in the top profit bracket. Despite those findings, most of the more recent studies -- Blankenburg (1982), Lacy and Fico (1989), Becker, Beam and Russial (1978) -- on this subject do suggest good journalism is good business; but the findings are weak and inconclusive.

Research on this question has had a checkered history.

Results and methods have differed greatly from study to

study, so the comparison of the results and an eventual

generalization to the industry has not been accomplished.

CHAPTER II

STUDY OBJECTIVES

Based on those findings in the search of literature, this study will attempt to find out if using the Pulitzer Prize as a definition of quality, is related to circulation as a definition of bottom line success.

PULITZER PRIZE

Pulitzer Prizes are announced each spring -- usually in April -- after their selection by a preliminary jury of four to six experts who submit their recommendations to a Pulitzer Board which makes the final decisions. In early February of each year a jury of around 65 members -- newspaper editors and former Pulitzer winners -- is selected by the Pulitzer Prize Board. Those selected are assigned to a jury of four to six members to judge one of the 14 journalism categories in which Pulitzer Prizes are awarded. The categories have changed over the years, and in some years awards were not issued in some categories. The 14 categories in 1991 were: Public service, Spot News reporting, Investigative reporting, Explanatory journalism, Beat reporting, National reporting, International reporting, Feature writing, Commentary, Criticism, Editorial writing, Editorial cartooning, Spot news photography and Feature photography.

The juries, like the board, serve without pay.

According to David Shaw (1988), a 1991 Pulitzer Prize winner for criticism, the juries meet for three days in early March at Columbia University in New York to select the finalists,

whose names are forwarded to the Pulitzer Board. In a sense, although their final recommendations are customarily followed, the jury is a screening committee for the 60 to 130 entries in each of the award categories. The juries have submitted as few as one nomination, and as many as 10 to the Pulitzer Board. Since 1980, however, the juries are required to submit three nominations in alphabetical order, eliminating a "first", "second", or "third" choice.

Until 1977, anyone could claim to have been nominated for a Pulitzer Prize because all anyone had to do was to submit an entry. But in 1977 that was changed. Entries were called entries, and had to get approval of a Pulitzer nominating jury to be "nominated" and judged by the Pulitzer jury. The Pulitzer Board, also serving without pay, consists of editors, publishers, former Pulitzer winners and journalism instructors. The only paid member is the Pulitzer secretary of the board, Robert C. Christopher.

Many consider the Pulitzer the "Academy Award" of journalism. Laurence Zuckerman, in a 1988 article in <u>Time</u> magazine, said "no other U.S. journalism prize carries the career-boosting mystique of a Pulitzer Prize".

John Hohenberg, long-time secretary of the board now retired, said in his 1959 book about the Pulitzers, <u>The Pulitzer Prize Story</u>, that Pulitzer Prizes have endeavored to represent the best in American journalism year by year. He said "if these awards have now achieved some measure of fame, it is because the journalists of yesterday and today have

made them famous, and because the journalists of tomorrow will without doubt follow their example".

Since the first Pulitzer was awarded in 1917, 595 prizes have been awarded. The <u>New York Times</u> has won 63 Pulitzers, more than any other news organization (See Appendix B).

CHAPTER III

METHODOLOGY

The study was conducted using 22 morning daily newspapers. The newspapers were selected from Editor & Publisher's 1989 list of the top 100 newspapers in circulation in the United States and on the basis of geographic location in an attempt to represent a geographical cross section. The Miami Herald, Orlando Sentinel, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Richmond Times Dispatch, Charlotte Observer and Little Rock Arkansas Gazette for the South; Boston Globe, Boston Herald-American and Hartford Courant for the New England states; The Philadelphia Inquirer, Rochester (NY) Times-Democrat, Detroit News and Newark Star-Ledger for the East; Washington Post and Baltimore Sun for the area of the Nation's capital; Chicago Sun-Times, Des Moines Register and St. Paul Pioneer Press for the Mid-West; Albuquerque Journal, Houston Chronicle, Salt Lake Tribune and Phoenix Arizona Republic for the West, and the Seattle Post Intelligencer for the Northwest. Eleven of the papers won Pulitzer prizes during the study period of 1979 through 1989, and 11 papers were studied that did not win prizes. An effort also was made to select newspapers with similar 1989 circulations. Circulation changes were compared to city population changes reported in the annual Editor & Publisher yearbooks. Circulation and population figures were recorded for each of the 22 papers and the cities in which the papers are located. The annual changes in circulation and

population were figured in percentages. Then the populationcirculation ratios were figured. This figure is found by
calculating differences between population and circulation
changes. For example, if the newspaper circulation increased
10 percent in 1987 over the 1986 level, while at the same
time population increased 12 percent the circulation increase
actually would be a minus 2 percent in ratio to the
population. On the other hand, a newspaper maintaining a
circulation level, or dropping just slightly while the
population experiences large declines, is actually doing
quite well even though its raw circulation figures would show
stagnation or a slight decline.

Afternoon dailies were not included in this study because their circulations are dropping rapidly, they are being closed and no longer seem representative of the industry. The New York Times, Los Angeles Times and Chicago Tribune were not included in the study because their circulations are so much larger than the average papers in this study. It was felt that the study would offer clearer results if the newspapers studied, Pulitzer winners and non-winners, were as close as possible in circulation, while still representing a wide geographical dispersion.

Population-circulation ratios were computed for all 11 years of the study for the 11 Pulitzer-winning newspapers. Then the years Pulitzer prizes were announced were identified and the circulation-population ratios for those years and the previous years — the actual year the

material appeared in the newspaper -- were computed. All of the ratios were totaled and averaged. All of the circulation and population figures were from <u>Editor & Publisher Yearbooks</u> 1978 through 1990.

A Spearman rank correlation was performed to test the relationship between newspapers ranked by the number of Pulitzers won and 1989 circulation, 1989 city population, circulation-population ratio from 1979 to 1989 and circulation changes from 1979 to 1989.

Three other Spearman rank correlations were performed to test the relationship between rank in the number of Pulitzers won and 1989 circulation. One Spearman included all of the daily newspapers winning a Pulitzer in the period 1979 through 1989. Spearmans also were accomplished on the "Top 15" dailies as rated in 1983 by the Media Research Institute at California State University, Northridge, and on the "Top 10" dailies as rated in 1984 by Time magazine.

A Chi-square was performed to test the relationship between the variables of winning a Pulitzer and competition.

Also, a multiple regression analysis was conducted on the 22 newspapers with circulation being the dependent variable, while the independent variables were population, winning a Pulitzer Prize, and competition.

Another multiple regression analysis was conducted on the same papers, with the Pulitzer Prize as the dependent variable. A Pearson product-moment correlation was used to measure the relationship between population and circulation.

RESEARCH LIMITATIONS

A weakness of this research is in the use of Census Bureau population figures for the cities in which the newspapers are located. Actual count figures are available only in census years, 1980 for this study, and the other year's figures are estimated by the U.S. Bureau of Census. The city population figures are used because, although even those estimates are sometimes hard to understand because of their erratic fluctuations -- i.e., drastically dropping or increasing between apparently average years -- they offer the most consistency. Standard Metropolitan Area (SMA) figures were not available for all areas in this study, nor were Audit Bureau Circulation Zone (CZ) figures. Editor & Publisher once published those figures, but stopped in 1985. In some cases in this study total city population is less than the circulation of the paper or papers serving the city. That occurs when the circulation zone of the paper has a much greater population than the city. If, however, the number of households in each paper's "logical" circulation zone were known, then instead of using raw circulation figures, the paper's saturation percentage of households would be used.

Another possible limitation is use of the Pulitzer
Prize as an operational definition of quality. There are many
papers which, indeed, offer quality but have not won Pulitzer
prizes. This definition simply says that those papers which
won a Pulitzer had quality in at least those issues in which
the Pulitzer material appeared. This is not to suggest that

papers which have not been awarded a Pulitzer do not have quality.

Also, as in other studies, the hundreds of variables that account for the strength of a paper's circulation could not all be categorized or controlled in this study. Some of the variables not accounted for include management changes, news events, staff changes, better circulation management, union cooperation and competition. It is thought, however, that by computing population and circulation fluctuations over the 11-year period that all but very major variables will even out in the statistics.

Another aspect that could have been used but wasn't is an examination of pre- and post-Pulitzer population-circulation ratios. Only one paper in this study won the award exactly in the middle of the study period, so for the other 21 papers there was not enough years before and after winning to find a trend. The study period would have to be enlarged to allow for this kind of examination.

CHAPTER IV

FINDINGS

A multiple regression analysis between circulation as the dependent variable and three independent variables, competition/non-competition, Pulitzer-winning/non-winning, and population, show that 51.5 percent of circulation changes (the dependent variable) can be accounted for by the three independent variables (F = 84.38, p < .0001). Of the three variables, population was the best predictor with a Beta at .662 (t = 13.46, p < .0001). Winning a Pulitzer also was a significant predictor at a Beta of .103 (t = 2.25, p < .0249) Competition was not a significant predictor at a Beta of .074 (t = 1.53, p < .1271).

In a multiple regression test using the Pulitzer Prize as the dependent variable, 46.2 percent of winning a Pulitzer (the dependent variable) can be accounted for by the three independent variables (F = 3.85, p < .0102). The only significant predictor was circulation with a Beta of .20 (t= 2.25, p < .024).

In the Pearson product-moment correlation between population and circulation of the 22 newspapers and population, a statistically significant relationship was found (r = .76, p < .0001).

In 1989, circulation of the average Pulitzer-prize winning newspaper in this study was 342,727, while the average circulation in the non-winner's bracket was 268,750.

(TABLE II)

A comparison of circulation-population ratio changes (TABLE I) shows that the 11 Pulitzer winners in the 11-year period produced a circulation increase of 26.37 percent better than the population. The 11 non-winners in the 11-year period produced a circulation increase of 8.93 percent over population changes. Difference between the two is 17.44 percent for the 11 years, an annual difference of 1.58 percent. Individual circulation-population ratios for all the newspapers in this study are in APPENDIX A.

(APPENDIX C) Circulation outpaced population by 2.21 percent on average for the years in which Pulitzer material appeared in the 11 prize-winning papers in the 11-year study, but that is 0.11 percent less than the 11-year circulationpopulation ratio average of 2.32 percent. In the 27 years the Pulitzer prizes were announced and awarded to the individual papers, circulation for those papers named outpaced population by 3.87 percent. That percentage is 1.55 percent better than the average. (The number of years in which population-circulation ratio changes are calculated differs because circulation-population ratios are not calculated from 1978 -- the year previous to the study period. Pulitzers were announced in 1979, first year of the study, for the Boston Herald-American, Des Moines Register and Philadelphia Inquirer, while the actual material appeared in 1978. Thus, there are no ratio figures for 1978 and 1979.)

A Spearman rank-order correlation was completed

(APPENDIX D) to measure the strength of relationship of the

TABLE I

PULITZER WINNERS

	Circulat	ion/
 Newspaper	Population	Ratio 9
111-11-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1		42.7
Atlanta Journal Constitution		31.41
Baltimore Sun		38.84
Boston Globe		16.27
Boston Herald-American		45.24
Charlotte Observer		4.78
Chicago Sun Times		19.02-
Des Moines Register		3.84
Miami Herald		11.14
Orlando Sentinel		3.79-
Philadelphia Inquirer		31.98
St. Paul Pioneer Press		91.36

(Average circulation-population ratio percentage for the 11year period for these papers was 26.37% (290.09 /11), and the per-year percentage is 2.39% (26.37 / 11).)

Non-Winners

		Circulation/		
_	Newspaper	Population Ratio %		
	Albuquerque Journal	18.26		
	Arkansas Gazette	0.63-		
	Pheonix Arizona Republic	4.39		
	Seattle Post Intelligencer	4.72		
	Hartford Courant	1.00		
	Richmond Times Dispatch	12.59		
	Rochester Democrat & Chronicle	6.39		
	Salt Lake Tribune	1.54		
	Detroit News	26.62		
	Newark Star-Ledger	13.1		
	Houston Chronicle	10.26		

(Average circulation-population ratio for the 11-year period of these papers was 8.93% (98.26 / 11), and the per-year average is 0.81% (8.93 / 11).

TABLE II

1989 CIRCULATION FOR PULITZER WINNERS AND NON-WINNERS.

Pulitzer Winners

Newspaper	1989	Circulation
Atlanta Journal and Constitution		275,185
Baltimore Sun		238,533
Boston Globe		516,031
Boston Herald-American		358,218
Charlotte Observer		236,496
Chicago Sun Times		535,864
Des Moines Register		209.765
Miami Herald		427,954
Orlando Sentinel		266,549
Philadelphia Inquirer		504,903
St. Paul Pioneer Press		200,508
Totals		*3,770,006

*Average circulation per paper is 342,727. (3,770,006/11)

Non-Winners

Newspaper	1989	Circulation
Albuquerque Journal		117,908
Arkansas Gazette		111,876
Detroit News		690,422
Hartford Courant		227,763
Houston Chronicle		437,481
Newark Star-Ledger		463,738
Pheonix Arizona Republic		322,534
Richmond Times-Dispatch		142,151
Rochester Democrat-Chronicle		129,394
Salt Lake Tribune		109,423
Seattle Post Intelligencer		203,560
	Totals	*2,956,250

^{*}Average circulation per paper is 268,750

TABLE III

		Non-Winn	ers	Winne	ers
No Compe	etition	53.3% (65)	46.7%	(57)
Competit	ion	47.5% (57)	52.5%	(63)

11 newspapers ranked by the number of Pulitzers won between the rank of 1989 circulation, 1989 population, the 11-year circulation-population ratio, and 1979 to 1989 circulation changes. The strongest relationship, .24, was recorded between Pulitzers won and circulation. Relationship from Pulitzers to population was .07, to circulation-population ratio .02, and to circulation changes, .10. These are not statistically significant correlations.

A Spearman rank-order correlation (APPENDIX E) of the 51 daily newspapers winning Pulitzer prizes in the 1979-1989 period of this study shows there is "strong relationship" between winning a Pulitzer and 1989 circulation. This test achieved a rho of .60. That magnitude, according to Lutz (1983) is "a strong relationship". Two weekly newspapers which won Pulitzer prizes during the period were eliminated because of the inappropriateness of comparing weekly circulation to daily circulation.

A Spearman (APPENDIX F) of the "top 15" newspapers selected in 1983 by the Media Research Institute at California State University, Northridge, comparing newspapers in rank order by Pulitzer prizes won and 1989 circulation produced a rho of 0.69. The list was published in Editor & Publisher on page 10 June 11, 1983. A Spearman (APPENDIX G) on a "top 10" list presented by Time magazine April 30, 1984, (Pg. 58-63) comparing those papers by rank of the number of Pulitzer prizes won to 1989 circulation rank produced a rho of 0.26.

According to a comparison of all circulation-population ratios (APPENDIX C) for the 11 Pulitzer-winning papers in this study, the highest ratio occurs in the year the Pulitzer is announced. The average circulation-population ratio over the 11-year period was 2.32 percent. In the year the Pulitzer was announced, the circulation-population ratio was 3.87 percent, 1.55 percent better than the average. The year the actual Pulitzer-winning material appeared in the paper, however, recorded the lowest circulation-population ratio at 2.21 percent.

A Chi-square distribution analysis (TABLE III) comparing Pulitzer winners and non-winners with newspapers that have competition and do not have competition showed no significance (X2 = .4411). In the 22 papers studied, 11 were winners and 11 were non-winners. Of that total, on average because some competition papers ceased operations during the study period, 10 faced competition and 12 did not in their respective cities.

CHAPTER V

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

This study supports a hypothesis that "good journalism is good business". According to all of the data, there is a relationship between quality and increased circulation.

In both multiple regression analyses, one with circulation as the dependent variable and one with winning a Pulitzer Prize as the dependent variable, there was significance. There also was a significant relationship between population and circulation in the Pearson analysis of the two variables.

Higher circulation, of course, generally contributes to higher profits which in turn can be used to build more quality through better equipment and a higher paid, more skilled staff. Frank E. Gannett (Williamson, 1940) recognized that back in the 1920s and said then that newspapers had to be economically strong and independent before they could be editorially strong and independent.

All of the data here supports that maxim and also supports most of the literature in which researchers say that more elements of quality -- larger newsholes, a bigger staff, more graphics and more wire services -- are related to success. This does show that there is a tendency for the more economically sound newspaper organizations to have more quality elements, and to have more circulation. The larger circulation papers are, of course, in the larger cities.

Based on the results of a Chi-square on newspapers winning Pulitzer and those that did not compared to those with competition and those without competition, there appears to be absolutely no significance in whether a paper facing competition or without competition will win a Pulitzer prize. Researchers Kenney and Lacy (1987), Litman and Bridges (1986) and others have said competition spurs improvement in newspapers. The results of this study indicate competition is not a factor. A regression analysis using competition as an independent variable and circulation as the dependant variable also show no significance.

Spearman rank correlations show that the strongest relationship exists between newspapers winning Pulitzers and amount of circulation. A Spearman rho of .60 (rated as a "strong relationship" under the Lutz (1983) guideline) was found between the 51 newspapers which won Pulitzers during the 1979 to 1989 period of this study and 1989 circulation. This validates similar results found in the Spearman of the 11 newspapers in this study.

Additionally, of the 51 dailies winning Pulitzer prizes during the 1979-1989 period of this study, 41 (80 percent) were on the 1989 list of the top 100 papers in circulation in the United States. Thirty-one of the papers (60.7 percent) had a circulation of more than 200,000. In the top eight papers in number of Pulitzer prizes won, the lowest circulation was 427,000, and the average of the eight was 779,000.

Results indicate that the chances of winning a Pulitzer prize are greater for newspapers in large markets with large circulations.

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APPENDIX

APPENDIX A

The following charts show newspaper circulation, population and the yearly percent of change in those figures from 1979 through 1989. Also calculated is the ratio of circulation increase/decrease to population change over the 11-year period. All of the percentage figures are based on 100 percent. Also identified are Pulitzer-winning years. All the raw data for this study are contained in this Appendix.

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.			ALBUQUERQUE JOURNAL (NON-WINNER)			
Code 01	Has Compet	ition	Journal Public	shing Co.		
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-population	
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)	
1970	244,501	(100%)				
1979	322,560	131,93%	81,512	(100%)		
1980	331,767	102.85%	83,357	102.26%		
1981	321,782	96.99%	87,717	105.23%		
1982	344,032	106.91%	91,123	103.88%		
1983	349,893	101.70%	91,260	100.15%		
1984	349,936	100.01%	95,530	104.68%		
1985	351,365	100.41%	96,565	101.08%		
1986	357,410	101.72%	105,182	108.92%		
1987	379,282	106.12%	112,173	106.65%		
1988	386,370	101.87%	115,902	103,32%		
1989	396,266	102.56%	117,908	101.73%		
1990	407,682	102.88%				
TOTALS	85,122	126.39%	36,396	144.65%	18.26%	
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A, GA	ATLANTA	JOURNAL &	CONSTITU	JTION (Winner)
	Atlanta Ne	wspapers		
No Competit	ion			
	YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-population
POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)
388,783	(100%)	219,455	(100%)	
386,886	99.51%	212,334	96.76%	
395,890	102.33%	209,958	98.88%	
423,170	106.89%	210,793	100.40%	
415,653	98.22%	221,401	105.03%	
417,584	100.46%	227,755	102.87%	
386,274	92.50%	239,372	93.64%	
390,724	101.15%	255,636	106.79%	
423,870	108.48%	265,669	103.92%	
423,870	100.00%	275,185	103.58%	
381,022	89.89%	284,015	103.21%	
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BALTIMORE, MD.		BALTIMORE SUN (Winner)			
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		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-population
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)
1970	905,759	(100%)			
1979	798,412	88.15%	178,987	(100%)	
1980	786,775	98.54%	180,032	100.58%	
1981	766,039	97.36%	177,189	98.42%	
1982	781,612	102.03%	183,188	103.39%	
1983	787,262	100.72%	185,494	101.26%	
1984	693,676	88 11%	192,067	103.54%	
1985	696,181	100,36%	206,032	107.27%	
1986	665,974	95.66%	221,941	107.72%	
1987	698,075	104.82%	227,818	102.65%	
1988	751,459	107.65%	231,902	101.79%	
1989	727,995	96.88%	238,533	102,86%	
1990	753,926	103 56%			
TOTALS	-44,486	94,43%	59,546	133.27%	38.84%
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DODIO	N, MASS.		THE BOSTON GLOB	BE (winner)	
Code 04 Has competition			Globe Newspaper Co.			
		YEARLY	ALL-DAY	YEARLY	Circulation-population	
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	DAILY CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)	
1970	641,071	(100%)				
1979	623,822	97.31%	482,578	(100%)		
1980	562,994	90.25%	501,520	103.93%		
1981	597,899	106.20%	504,492	100.59%		
1982	549,477	91.90%	510,978	101.29%		
1983	563,178	102 49%	514,817	100.75%		
1984	542,767	96.38%	520,081	101.02%		
1985	526,284	96,96%	509,464	97.96%		
1986	569,151	108.15%	516,248	101,33%		
1987	556,105	97.71%	502,521	97 3 4%		
1988	554,993	9980%	509,060	101.30%		
1989	559,705	100.85%	516,031	101.37%		
1990	565,547	101.04%				
TOTALS	-58,275	90.66%	33,453	106.93%	15.27%	
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Circulation from	n 1979 to 1989 increased 94,634 (35.90%).
Population decli	ned 58,275 (9.34%) from 1979 through 1990.
H-A Circulation	outdistanced population by 45.24%.

CHARLO	TTE, N.C.		CHARLOTTE OBSERVER (Winner)			
Code 06	No competition	n	Knight-Ridder Newspapers, Inc.			
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-population	
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)	
1970	241,420	(100%)				
1979	312,533	129.46%	170,046	(100%)		
1980	314,447	100.61%	168,928	99.34%		
1981	317,489	100.97%	167,336	99.06%		
1982	316,966	99.84%	170,066	101.63%		
1983	329,846	104.06%	176,977	104.06%		
1984	331,997	100.65%	185,876	105.03%		
1985	336,657	101.40%	189,928	102.18%		
1986	352,070	104.58%	214,700	113.04%		
1987	359,935	102.23%	224,563	104.59%		
1988	367,800	102.19%	231,445	103.06%		
1989	408,788	11114%	236,496	102.18%		
1990	419,728	102.68%				
TOTALS	107,195	134.30%	66,450	139.08%	4.78%	
The Obs	erver won Pu	litzer Priz	es in 1981 a	and 1988.		
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Observer circulation increased 4.78% faster than the population.

CHICAGO, ILL.		CHICAGO SUN TIMES (Winner) Independent Press Services (Tab)			
Code 08 Has competition					
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-Population
YEAR	POPULATION	忽 CHANGE	DAILY CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)
1970	3,369,359	(100%)			
1979	2,876,517	85.37%	675,795	(100%)	
1980	3,005,072	104.47%	655,332	96.97%	
1981	2,860,037	95 17%	649,040	99.04%	
1982	2,964,571	103.65%	651,579	100.39%	
1983	2,944,137	9931%	639,134	98.09%	
1984	2,919,716	99.17%	649,891	101.68%	
1985	2,855,259	97.79%	623,523	95.94%	
1986	2,872,241	100.59%	612,686	98.26%	
1987	2,852,598	99.32%	604,862	98.72%	
1988	2,832,630	99.30%	579,272	95.77%	
1989	2,801,655	98.91%	535,864	92.51%	
1990	2,828,020	100,94%			
TOTALS	-48,497	98.31%	-139,931	79.29%	-19.02%

Sun Times circulation declined 19.2% f	aster than the population decline.
Bold is the year a Pulitzer Prize was v	on.
Circulation fell 139,931 (20.71%) from	1 1979 to 1989.
Population fell 48,497 (1.69%) from 1	79 to 1990.

DES MO	INES, IOWA		DES MOINES REGISTER (Winner)		
Code 09	No competitio	n	Des Moines Re	gister & Tri	bune Co.
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-population
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)
1970	201,404	(100%)		(100%)	
1979	188,280	93.48%	208,856		
1980	191,003	101.45%	207,988	99.58%	
1981	188,621	98.75%	205,172	98.65%	
1982	187,678	99.50%	265,914	129.61%	
1983	184,694	98.41%	239,275	89.98%	
1984	190,521	103.15%	237,671	99.33%	
1985	183,652	96.39%	233,036	98.05%	
1986	187,351	102.01%	221,869	95.21%	
1987	186,789	99.70%	214,306	96.59%	
1988	184,041	98.53%	210,042	98.01%	
1989	181,873	98.82%	209,765	99.87%	
1990					
TOTALS	-6,407	96.60%	909	0.44%	3.84%
Bold: Y	ears Pulitz	er Prizes	were won.		
Registe	r circulation	increase	of 0.44% (909) outpaced	
the popu	ulation chan	ge by 3.849	8.		

	DETROIT, MICH.		DETRO		
Code 22	2 (All-Day Daily) (Non-winner, has compe		ition)		
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-Population
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)
1970	1,513,601	(100%)		(100%)	
1979	1,192,101	78.76%	628,574		
1980	1,203,339	100.94%	604,062	96.10%	
1981	1,513,601	125.78%	625,730	103.59%	
1982	1,164,130	76.91%	642,531	102.69%	
1983	1,145,591	98.41%	650,683	101.27%	
1984	1,070,477	93.44%	656,367	100.87%	
1985	996,933	93.13%	645,016	98.27%	
1986	1,032,495	103.57%	680,800	105.55%	
1987	1,003,407	97.18%	686,787	100.88%	
1988	979,325	97.60%	677,385	98.63%	
1989	992,100	101.30%	690,422	101.92%	
TOTALS	-200,001	83.22%	61,848	109.84%	26.62%

HARTFORD, CONN.			THE HARTFORD COURANT (NON-WINNER)			
Code 11			The Hartford Courant, Co.			
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-population	
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)	
1979	138,620	(100%)	215,513	(100%)		
1980	122,671	88 49%	212,600	98.65%		
1981	125,789	10254%	209,775	98.67%		
1982	129,333	102.82%	214,498	102.25%		
1983	131,470	101.65%	218,415	101.83%		
1984	134,380	10221%	219,387	100.45%		
1985	129,990	96.73%	221,161	100.81%		
1986	127,289	97.92%	222,749	100.72%		
1987	136,509	107.24%	226,319	101.60%		
1988	136,509	100.00%	223,448	98.73%		
1989	134,607	98.61%	227,763	10193%		
1990						
TOTALS	-4,013	9711%	12,250	107.13%	10.03%	

HOUSTON, TEX.		HOUSTON	CHRONICLE			
Code 27	(All-Day Dail	y)	(Non-winner, has competition)			
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-Population	
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)	
1970	1,232,802	(100%)		(100%)		
1979	1,458,668	118.32%	339,573			
1980	1,594,086	109.28%	356,228	104.90%		
1981	1,736,303	108 92%	384,305	107.88%		
1982	1,704,441	98.16%	419,869	109.25%		
1983	1,751,834	102.78%	459,225	109.37%		
1984	1,781,851	10171%	441,557	96.15%		
1985	1,862,122	104.50%	439,044	99.43%		
1986	1,831,132	98.34%	425,434	96.90%		
1987	1,810,424	98.87%	406,776	95,61%		
1988	1,844,622	101.89%	420,320	103.33%		
1989	1,729,616	93.77%	437,481	104.08%		
TOTALS	270,948	118,58%	97,908	128.83%	10.26%	

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.		ARKANSAS GAZETTE (Non-winner)					
Code 12	Has Competition	A	rkansas Gazet	te Co.			
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-population		
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)		
1979	206,623	(100%)	129,839	(100%)			
1980	219,892	106 42%	129,117	99 44%			
1981	212,876	96.81%	128,396	99.44%			
1982	176,392	82 86%	128,065	99.74%			
1983	171,756	97.37%	125,364	97.89%			
1984	164,451	95.75%	126,922	101.24%			
1985	164,720	100.16%	121,913	96.05%			
1986	174,404	105.88%	126,346	103.64%			
1987	176,389	10114%	140,301	111,05%			
1988	177,624	100.70%	134,942	96.18%			
1989	165,883	93.39%	111,876	82.91%			
1990							
TOTALS	-40,740	80.28%	-17,963	86.65%	-6.36%		

MIAMI, FLORIDA			MIAMI HERAL	D (Winner	
Code 14 Competition to 1988			Knight-Ridder I	Newspapers	
		YEARLY	A.M.		Circulation-Population
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)
1970	334,859	(100%)			
1979	388,815	16.11%	420,400	(100%)	
1980	346,931	-10.78%	421,236	1.00%	7.
1981	354,070	2.05%	422,275	0:25%	
1982	358,105	2.00%	416,512	-1.36%	
1983	363,681	156%	424,939	2.02%	
1984	388,832	8 58%	435,418	2.47%	
1985	372,634	-417%	421,679	-3,16%	
1986	373,940	0.35%	433,027	2.69%	
1987	372,520	-0.38%	417,923	-3.49%	
1988	371,000	-0.41%	416,196	-0.41%	
1989	344,669	-7.10%	427,954	2.83%	
1990	361,757	4.96%			
Totals-	26,898	-8.30%	7,554	2.84%	11.14%
Note: E	Bold is year	Pulitzer	won:		
Herald o	irculation out	distanced p	opulation growt	h by 11.14%	
Circulat	tion increase	7,554 in 10	-year period.		
Populat	ion decreased	26,898 in	O-year period.		

NEWARK, N.J.		NEWARK STAR-LEDGER					
Code 26	(Morning)	(NON-MINN	IER, NO COMPE				
		YEARLY	A,M.	YEARLY	Circulation-Population		
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)		
1970	382,288	(100%)					
1979	309,398	80,93%	408,038				
1980	329,248	106 42%	406,728	99 68%			
1981	293,409	89 11%	409,278	100.63%			
1982	316,571	107.89%	424,224	103.65%			
1983	322,919	102.01%	432,100	101.86%			
1984	314,022	97.24%	434,117	100.47%			
1985	300,304	95.63%	444,228	102.33%			
1986	309,115	102.93%	460,330	103.62%			
1987	295,947	95.74%	467,549	101.57%			
1988	291,804	98.60%	462,084	98.83%			
1989	311,034	106.59%	463,738	100.36%			
TOTALS	1,636	100.53%	55,700	113.65%	13.12%		

		ORLANDO SENTINEL-STAR (Winner)				
Code 18 No Competition		Chicago Tribune Co.				
1		YEARLY	All-Day	YEARLY	Circulation-population	
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)	
1970	99,006	(100%)				
1979	123,880	125.12%	195,123	(100%)		
1980	128,394	103.54%	195,553	100.22%		
1981	123,945	96.53%	199,745	102.14%		
1982	136,923	110.47%	208,026	104.15%		
1983	140,337	102.49%	218,585	105.08%		
1984	140,772	100.31%	227,932	104.28%		
1985	146,803	104.28%	240,342	105.44%		
1986	149,877	102.09%	253,310	105,40%		
1987	151,901	101 35%	257,477	101.65%		
1988	155,850	102 60%	254,618	98.89%		
1989	165,709	106 33%	266,549	104.69%		
1990	173,924	104.96%				
TOTALS	50,044	40.40%	71,426	3661%	-3.79%	
Populati	l ian grew 3.79 %	a faster than	circulation from	1979 throug]h 1989.	
	ion increased					
Populat	ion increase w	as 50,044 (40),40%)			
Bold:	Pulitzer in 1	988 for Edit	orial Writing.	,		

PHEONIX, ARIZ.		ARIZONA REPUBLIC		Non-winne	r
CODE 15	MORNING (N	O COMPETIT	ION)		
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-Population
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)
1970	581,562	(100%)			
1979	720,716	123.93%	232,152		
1980	764,911	106.13%	237,193	102.17%	
1981	757,195	98 99%	248,856	104.92%	
1982	829,677	10957%	264,379	106.24%	
1983	801,749	96.63%	273,661	103.51%	
1984	838,823	104,62%	283,550	103.61%	
1985	871,895	103,94%	286,275	100.96%	
1986	870,295	99.82%	290,162	101.36%	
1987	992,013	113.99%	304,662	105.00%	
1988	1,031,694	104.00%	314,829	10334%	
1989	969,700	93.99%	322,534	102.45%	
TOTALS	248,984	13455%	90,382	138.93%	4.39%

PHILADE	LPHIA, PA.		THE PHILAD	ELPHIA IN	QUIRER (Winner)
			Knight-Ridde	r Newspape	rs
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-population
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)
1970	1,950,098	9100%)			
1979	1,754,761	89.98%	418,148	(100%)	
1980	1,688,210	96.21%	425,877	101.85%	
1981	1,691,480	100.19%	423,746	99.50%	
1982	1,688,659	99 83%	561,018	132.39%	
1983	1,677,052	9931%	533,176	95.04%	
1984	1,687,638	100.63%	525,569	98.57%	
1985	1,668,990	98 90%	506,313	96.34%	
1986	1,631,103	97.73%	504,946	99.73%	
1987	1,545,215	94.73%	508,496	100.70%	
1988	1,567,220	101.42%	502,756	98.87%	
1989	1,549,738	98 88%	504,903	100.43%	
1990	1,557,637	100.51%			
TOTALS	-197,124	88.77%	86,755	120.75%	31.98%
	won 12 Pu				
	ion dropped				
					om 1979-1989.
	circulation			y 31.98%	
#NOTE:	P. Bulletin	folded in	1981.		

RICHMOND, VA.		RICHMOND TIMES-DISPATCH (Non-winner)					
CODE 24		Richmond Newspapers, Inc.			No competition		
				1			
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Ciorculation-population		
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% change	Ratio (+ or -)		
1979	223,941	(100%)	134,397	(100%)			
1980	225,208	100,57%	134,890	100.37%			
1981	222,109	98 62%	133,277	98.80%			
1982	219,973	99 04%	135,175	101 42%			
1983	222,132	100 98%	135,468	100.22%			
1984	229,477	103.31%	136,598	100.83%			
1985	217,973	94.99%	138,191	101.17%			
1986	214,614	98.46%	137,801	99.72%			
1987	203,584	9.4.86%	139,540	101.26%			
1988	211,037	103.66%	140,249	100.51%			
1989	210,088	99 55%	142,151	101.36%			
1990	208,677	99.33%					
TOTALS	-15,264	93 18%	7,754	105.77%	12.59%		

ROCHES	STER, N.Y.		ROCHESTER	DEMOCRA	T & CHRONICLE		
CODE 20 No Competition			Gannett Newspaper Group (NON-WINNER)				
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-population		
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)		
1970	296,233	(100%)					
1979	242,303	81.79%	126,189	(100%)			
1980	241,741	99.77%	125,860	99.74%			
1981	231,444	95.74%	127,788	101.53%			
1982	230,922	99.77%	133,072	104.13%			
1983	228,726	99.05%	132,048	99.23%			
1984	231,337	101.14%	131,140	99.31%			
1985	220,105	95.14%	131,809	100,51%			
1986	214,872	97.62%	128,869	97.77%			
1987	226,399	105.36%	128,470	99.69%			
1988	224,361	99.10%	129,564	100.85%			
1989	230,678	102.82%	129,394	99.87%			
1990	232,963	100.99%					
TOTALS	-9,340	96 15%	3,205	102.54%	6.39%		
	[circulation i						
	ter populati				1990.		
D & C	circulation	outpaced	population b	y 6.39%.			

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH		THE TRIBUNE (Non-W		nner)	
CODE 21					
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-population
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)
1979	165,649	(100%)	106,132	(100%)	
1980	164,710	99.43%	108,980	102.68%	
1981	163,579	99.31%	110,708	101.59%	
1982	160,847	98.33%	112,049	104,54%	
1983	159,936	99,43%	107,183	95.66%	
1984	172,938	108.13%	109,717	102.36%	
1985	172,333	99.65%	109,318	99.64%	
1986	148,811	86,35%	112,817	103.20%	
1987	163,598	109 94%	107,773	95.53%	
1988	163,598	100.00%	108,372	100.56%	
1989	145,239	88.78%	109,423	100.97%	
1990					
TOTALS	-20,410	87.68%	3,291	103.10%	15.42%

ST. PA	UL, MINN.		ST. PAUL PIC	NEER PRE	SS (Winner)	
Code 23			Northwest Publications (Knight-Ridder)			
		YEARLY	A.M. (all-day)	YEARLY	Circulation-population	
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)	
1970	309,828	(100%)				
1979	254,570	82.16%	101,824	(100%)		
1980	270,230	106.15%	103,231	101 38%		
1981	242,916	89.89%	107,657	104.29%		
1982	266,699	109.79%	103,792	96.41%		
1983	264,045	99.00%	102,879	99.12%		
1984	265,157	100.42%	106,777	90.57%		
1985	256,252	96.64%	117,900	110.42%		
1986	253,082	98.76%	187,505	159.04%		
1987	252,353	99.71%	193,075	102,97%		
1988	250,082	99 10%	192,603	99 76%		
1989	263,647	105.42%	200,508	104.10%		
1990	268,712	101.92%				
TOTALS	14,[42	105.56%	98,684	196,92%	91.36%	
The Pi	l oneer-Press	won a Pul	itzer in 1986	for featu	re writing,	
and tw	o in 1988, o	one for Fea	ature Writing	and one f	or Explanatory	
Journa	lism.					
The Pr	ess increase	ed circulat	ion 96.92% fr	om 1979	to 1989.	
Press	circulation	increased	91.36% faster	than the	city population.	
St. Pa	ul populatio	n increase	ed 14,142 (5.5	56%) from	n 1979 through 19	
Evenin	g paper disc	ontinued in	1986.			

SEATTLE, WASH.		SEATTLE POST INTELLIGENCER				
Coce 28	(A.M.)	(NON-WINNE	ER, HAS COMPE			
		YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-Population	
YEAR	POPULATION	% CHANGE	CIRCULATION	-	Ratio (+ or -)	
1970	530,831	(100%)				
1979	475,842	89.64%	196,386			
1980	493,846	103.78%	187,258	95.35%		
1981	480,832	97.36%	186,003	99.33%		
1982	512,411	106.57%	183,362	98.58%		
1983	489,812	95.59%	191,885	104.65%		
1984	507,648	103.64%	191,825	99.97%		
1985	511,077	100.68%	198,811	103.64%		
1986	510,938	99.97%	206,851	104.04%		
1987	508,102	99 44%	206,523	99.84%		
1988	510,134	100.40%	206,155	99.82%		
1989	470,756	92.28%	203,560	98.74%		
TOTALS	-5,086	98 93%	7,174	103.65%	4.72%	

IGTON, D.C.		WASHINGTO	N POST (W	(inner)
Competition		Washington Post Co.		
	YEARLY	A.M.	YEARLY	Circulation-population
POPULATION	78 CHANGE	CIRCULATION	% CHANGE	Ratio (+ or -)
756,510	(100%)			
662,000	87.51%	578,831	(100%)	
637,651	96.32%	584,500	100.98%	
651,718	10221%	662,978	113.43%	
613,049	94.07%	726,009	109.51%	
651,358	106.25%	718,842	99.01%	
638,361	98.00%	728,857	101.39%	
624,844	97 88%	735,998	100.98%	
610,629	97 73%	748,019	101.63%	
593,425	97.18%	761,142	101.75%	
588,137	99.11%	769,318	101.07%	
597,942	10167%	772,749	100.45%	
609,657	10196%			
-52,343	92.09%	193,918	133.50%	41.41%
	Competition POPULATION 756,510 662,000 637,651 651,718 613,049 651,358 638,361 624,844 610,629 593,425 588,137 597,942 609,657	Competition YEARLY POPULATION % CHANGE 756,510 (100%) 662,000 87.51% 637,651 96.32% 651,718 102.21% 613,049 94.07% 651,358 106.25% 638,361 98.00% 624,844 97.88% 610,629 97.73% 593,425 97.18% 588,137 99.11% 597,942 101.67% 609,657 101.96%	Competition Washington P YEARLY A.M. POPULATION % CHANGE CIRCULATION 756,510 (100%) 662,000 87.51% 578,831 637,651 96.32% 584,500 651,718 102.21% 662,978 613,049 94.07% 726,009 651,358 106.25% 718,842 638,361 98.00% 728,857 624,844 97.88% 735,998 610,629 97.73% 748,019 593,425 97.18% 761,142 588,137 99.11% 769,318 597,942 10167% 772,749 609,657 10196%	Competition Washington Post Co. YEARLY A.M. YEARLY POPULATION % CHANGE CIRCULATION % CHANGE 756,510 (100%) (100%) 662,000 87.51% 578,831 (100%) 637,651 96.32% 584,500 100.98% 651,718 102.21% 662,978 113.43% 613,049 94.07% 726,009 109.51% 651,358 106.25% 718,842 99.01% 638,361 98.00% 728,857 101.39% 624,844 97.88% 735,998 100.98% 610,629 97.73% 748,019 101.63% 593,425 97.18% 761,142 101.75% 588,137 99.11% 769,318 101.07% 597,942 101.67% 772,749 100.45% 609,657 101.96% 100.45%

Post circulation climbed 193,918 (35.50%) 1979-1989. Post circulation outdistanced population by 41.41%.

APPENDIX B

List of all newspapers winning Pulitzer prizes between 1979 and 1989. Also, year-by-year listing of Pulitzer winners by category, 1979-1991.

All Pulitzer Prize winners 1979-1989 (53 different winners) And rank-order designation

ONE WINNER ---- (28-53) (Ranking 40.5)

Akron Beacon Journal Alabama Journal Anchorage Daily News Austin American-Statesmen Baltimore Sun Boston Herald-American Dayton Daily News Fort Wayne News Sentinel Jackson (Miss.) Clarion-Ledger Kansas City Times Lawrence (Mass) Eagle-Tribune Lexington Herald Leader Longview (Wash.) Daily News Macon (Ga) Telegraph-News New York Daily News Odessa (Tex) American Orlando Sentinel Philadelphia Daily News Point Reyes (Calif) Light (Weekly) Pottstown (Pa) Mercury Pottsville (Pa) Republican San Francisco Examiner San Jose Mercury News Seattle Times St. Louis Post-Dispatch Virginia Pilot and Ledger-Star (Norfolk)

TWO PULITZERS ---- (13-27) (Ranking - 19.5)

Atlanta Journal and Constitution
Baltimore Evening Sun
Chicago Sun Times
Dallas Morning News
Dallas Times Herald
Denver Post
Detroit Free Press
Ft. Worth Star-Telegram
Louisvile Courier Journal
Orange County (Calif) Register
Pittsburg Press
Raleigh (N.C.) News & Observer
San Diego Evening Tribune
St. Petersburg Times
Village Voice (Weekly)

THREE PULITZERS ---- (9-12) (Ranking 10.5)

Charlotte Observer Des Moines Register St. Paul Pioneer Press-Dispatch Newsday

FIVE PULITZERS ---- (8) (Ranking 8)

Wall Street Journal

SIX PULITZERS ---- (7) (Ranking 7)

Los Angeles Times

SEVEN PULITZERS ---- (6) (Ranking 6)

Boston Globe

EIGHT PULITZERS ---- (3-5) (Ranking 4)

Chicago Tribune Miami Herald Washington Post

12 PULITZERS --- (2) (Ranking 2)

Philadelphia Inquirer

14 PULITZERS --- (1) (Ranking 1)

New York Times

PULITZER WINNERS 1979-1991

JOURNALISM -- (Over all quality)

- 1979 -Point Reyes (Cl.) Light
- 1980 -Gannett News Service
- 1981 -Charlotte (N.C.) Observer
- 1982 -Jackson (Miss.) Clarion-Ledger
- 1983 (No winner)
- 1984 -Los Angeles Times
- 1985 -Ft. Worth (Texas) Star-Telegram
- 1986 -Denver Post
- 1987 -Pittsburgh Press
- 1988 -Charlotte (N.C.) Observer
- 1989 -Anchorage Daily News

PUBLIC SERVICE --

- 1990 -Philadelphia Inquirer, Washington, (NC) Daily News
- 1991 -The Des Moines Register

REPORTING ---

- 1979 -San Diego Evening Tribune, Pottsville (Pa.) Republican
- 1980 -Philadelphia Inquirer, Boston Globe
- 1981 -Longview (Wash.) Daily News, Arizona Daily Star
- 1982 (No winner)
- 1983 -Fort Wayne News-Sentinel, Washington Post
- 1984 -Newsday, Boston Globe
- 1985 -Virginia Pilot and Ledger-Star (Norfolk), Philadelphia Inquirer, St. Petersburg Times 1986 -Miami Herald, Lexington (Ky) Herald Leader
- 1987 -Akron Beacon Journal, Philadelphia Inquire, Philadelphia Inquirer
- 1988 -Alabama Journal, Lawrence (Mass.) Eagle-Tribune, Wall Street Journal
- 1989 -Louisville Courier Journal, Atlanta Journal and Constitution

CRITICISM AND COMMENTARY --

- 1979 Chicago Tribune, New York Times
- 1980 -Boston Globe, Boston Globe
- 1981 -Washington Star, New York Times
- 1982 -Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles Times Syndicate
- 1983 -Wall Street Journal, Raleigh (N.C.) News & Observer
- 1984 -New York Times, Wall Street Journal
- 1985 -Los Angeles Times, Newsday
- 1986 -New York Times, New York Daily News
- 1987 -Los Angeles Times, Washington Post
- 1988 -Washington Post, Miami Herald
- 1989 -Raleigh (N.C.) News & Observer, Chicago Tribune

1990 -San Francisco Chronicle, Los Angeles Times

1991 -Washington Post, Los Angeles Times

NATIONAL REPORTING --

1979 -Des Moines Register

1980 -St. Petersburg Times

1981 -New York Times

1982 -Kansas City Times

1983 -Boston Globe

1984 -New York Times

1985 -Des Moines Register

1986 -Dallas Morning News, Philadelphia Inquirer

1987 -Miami Herald, New York Times

1988 -Philadelphia Inquirer

1989 -Philadelphia Inquirer

1990 -Seattle Times

1991 -Gannett News Service

INTERNATIONAL REPORTING --

1979 -Philadelphia Inquirer

1980 -Louisville Courier Journal

1981 -Miami Herald

1982 -New York Times

1983 -New York Times, Washington Post

1984 -Wall Street Journal

1985 -Newsday

1986 -San Jose Mercury News

1987 -Los Angeles Times

1988 -New York Times

1989 -Washington Post, New York Times

1990 -New York Times

1991 -Washington Post, New York Times

EDITORIAL WRITING --

1979 -Washington Star

1980 -Wall Street Journal

1981 - (No winner)

1982 -New York Times

1983 -Miami Herald

1984 -Georgia Gazette

1985 -Philadelphia Daily News

1986 -Chicago Tribune

1987 -San Diago Tribune

1988 -Orlando Sentinel

1989 -Chicago Tribune

1990 -Pottstown (Pa.) Mercury

1991 -The Birmingham (Ala.) News

EDITORIAL CARTOONING --

1979 -Washington Post

- 1980 -Miami News
- 1981 -Dayton (Ohio) Daily News
- 1982 -Austin American-Statesmen
- 1983 -Chicago Tribune
- 1984 -Los Angeles Times
- 1985 -Chicago Tribune
- 1986 -Village Voice (N.Y.C.)
- 1987 -Washington Post
- 1988 -Atlanta Constitution, Charlotte Observer
- 1989 -Chicago Sun Times
- 1990 -Buffalo News
- 1991 -The Cincinnati Enquirer

SPOT NEWS PHOTOGRAPHY --

- 1979 -Pottstown (Pa.) Mercury
- 1980 -United Press International
- 1981 -Ft. Worth Star-Telegram
- 1982 -Associated Press
- 1983 -Associated Press
- 1984 -Boston Globe
- 1985 -The Register, Santa Ana, Cl.
- 1986 -Miami Herald
- 1987 -San Francisco Examiner
- 1988 -Odessa (Texas) American
- 1989 -St. Louis Post-Dispatch
- 1990 -Oakland (Cl.) Tribune
- 1991 -Associated Press

FEATURE PHOTOGRAPHY --

- 1979 -Boston Herald American
- 1980 -Dallas Times Herald
- 1981 -Detroit Free Press
- 1982 -Chicago Sun Times
- 1983 -Dallas Times Herald
- 1984 -Denver Post
- 1985 -Boston Globe, Philadelphia Inquirer
- 1986 -Philadelphia Inquirer
- 1987 -Des Moines Register
- 1988 -Miami Herald
- 1989 -Detroit Free Press
- 1990 -Detroit Free Press
- 1991 -Dallas Morning News

EXPLANATORY JOURNALISM --

- 1985 -Baltimore Evening Sun
- 1986 -New York Times
- 1987 -Chicago Tribune
- 1988 -St. Paul Pioneer Press/Dispatch
- 1989 -Dallas Morning News
- 1990 -Washington Post
- 1991 -Wall Street Journal

FEATURE WRITING --

- 1979 -Baltimore Evening Sun
- 1980 -Miami Herald, Washington Post
- 1981 -Village Voice (N.Y.C.)
- 1982 -Associated Press
- 1983 (No winner)
- 1984 -Seattle Times
- 1985 -Baltimore Sun
- 1986 -St. Paul Pioneer Press & Dispatch
- 1987 -Philadelphia Inquirer
- 1988 -St. Paul Pioneer Press Dispatch
- 1989 -Philadelphia Inquirer
- 1990 -Colorado Springs Gazette
- 1991 -St. Petersburg Times

SPECIALIZED REPORTING --

- 1985 -Macon (Ga.) Telegraph and News
- 1986 -Pittsburgh Press
- 1987 -New York Times
- 1988 -Chicago Tribune
- 1989 -Orange County (Cl.) Register
- 1990 -Albuquerque (N.M.) Journal

REPORTING, GENERAL NEWS --

1990 -San Jose Mercury News

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING --

- 1990 -Minneapolis-St. Paul Star Tribune
- 1991 -The Indianapolis Star

BEAT REPORTING --

1991 -New York Times

SPOT NEWS REPORTING --

1991 -Miami Herald

APPENDIX C

			APPENDIX	E-		
	*Compares average circulati	on-pap	ulation ratio	s to rat	ins in years F	Pulitzer
_	material appeared, and year					direct.
	material appearage and year				TO POPULA	TION)
			Year		Year	Average
			Material		Pulitzer	Yearly
Code	Newspaper	Year	Appeared	Year	Announced	
2	Atlanta Journal-Const.	1987	-4.56%	1988	3.58%	3.419
		1988	3.58%	1989	13.32%	
3	Baltimore Sun	1984	15.43%	1985	6.91%	3.88
4	Boston Globe	1979		1980	13.68%	1.629
		1982	9.39%	1983	-1.74%	
		1983	-1.74%	1984	4.64%	
		1984	4.64%	1985	1.00%	
5	Boston Herald-American	1978		1979		4.52
6	Charlotte Observer	1987	-1.27%	1981	-1.91%	0,47
. =			2.36%	1988	0.87%	
8	Chicago Sun-Times	1981	3.87%	1982	-3.26%	-1.90
9	Des Moines Register	1978		1979		0.43
1.50		1984	-3.83%	1985	-2.02%	
		1986	-1.13%	1987	-5.40%	
14	Miami Herald	1979		1980	9.78%	1.113
		1980	9.78%	1981	-1.80%	
		1982	-1.80%	1983	0.46%	
		1985	1.01%	1986	2.34%	
		1986	2.34%	1987	-3.11%	
-		1987	-3.11%	1988	0.00%	
18	Orlando Sentinel	1987	0.30%	1988	-3.71%	-0.37
19	Philadelphia Inquirer	1978		1979		3.19
		1979		1980	5.64%	
		1984	-2.06%	1985	-2.56%	
		1985	-2,56%	1986	2.00%	
		1986	2.00%	1987	5.97%	
		1987	5.97%	1988	-2,55%	
		1988	-2.55%	1989	1,55%	
23	St. Paul Pioneer-Press	1985	13.78%	1986	60.28%	9.13
		1987	3,26%	1988	0.66%	
Totals			53.10%		104.62%	25.49
Aver	ages		2.21%	3	3.87%	2.32
	s shows that average cir					
year	the Pulitzer is announc	ed. T	he average	popu	ation-circu	nation rati
over	the II-year period is gr	eater	than the r	atio i	n the years	the

APPENDIX D

CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY OF	n cun	KELATIONS Y	VIII H	ANK DI NULIDI	IR OF	PULITZERS WON	4	
de la		, p		[1			1	D
Rank by Nurober	Circ	1989	Per.	1089	Ralio	Enreulation	Int	Curculation
of Pulitzers Won	rank	Circulation	i ant	Population	rant	population ratio	i and	changes
1979-1989						1979-1989		1979 to 1989
1. Philadelphia (ng. (12)	3	504,903	2	1,567,220	4	3196%	3	86,755
2. Miami Herald (8)	4	427,954	8	344,669	7	1114%	9	7,554
3. Boston Globe (7)	2	516,031	4.5	559,547	6	16.27%	8	26,482
5, Des Moines Reg. (3)	10	209,765	10	184,041	8	3 84%	10	909
5. Charlotte Obser. (3)	9	236,496	6	408,788	9	4.78%	5	66,450
5. St. Paul Pioneer-P (3)	11	200,508	9	263,647	1	91.36%	1	98,684
7.5 Atlanta J-C (2)	6	284,015	7	381,022	5	31.41%	6	55,730
7.5 Chi. Sun Times (1)	1	535,864	1	2,801,655	11	-19.02%	1.1	-139,931
10. Baltimore Sun (1)	8	238,533	3	727,995	3	38.84%	7	52,915
10. Boston H-A (1)	5	358,218	4.5	559,547	2	45.24%	2	96,875
10. Orlando Sent. (1)	7	266,549	11	165,709	10	-3.79%	4	71,426
Spearman Rank Order		0.235		0.073		0.021		-0.102

APPENDIX E

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TO THE PARTY OF THE	CODDE	ATIONS WITH	DANK	nv	
* SPEARMAN RANK-ORDER					
NUMBER OF PULITZERS V					
FOR ALL DAILY PULITZE	H WINN	NERS 1979 THR	OUGH 1	989.	
NEWSPAPER &	RANK	1989	RANK	Number of	Squared
PULITZERS	777.141	CIRCULATION	14711415	Newspapers	
POLITZERS		CITICOLITION		не израрет з	Difference
New York Times (14)		1068	4		9.00
Philadelphia Inquirer (12)	2	505	11	2	81.00
Washington Post (9)	3	773	5	3	4.00
Chicago Tribune (8)	4.5	720	6	4	2.25
Miami Herald (8)	4.5	427	12	5	56.25
Boston Globe (7)	6.5	516	10	6	12:25
Los Angeles Times (7)	6.5	1108	3	7	12.25
Wall Street Journal (5)	8	1836		8	49.00
Charlotte Observer (3)	105	236	24	9	182.25
Des Moines Register (3)	10.5	210	30	10	380.25
St. Paul Pioneer Press-D (3)	105	201	31	11	420.25
Newsday (3)	10.5	700		12	12.25
Atlanta Journal-Const (2)	19.5	284	18	13	2.25
Baltimore Evening Sun (2)	19.5	170		14	210.25
Chicago Sun Times (2)	19.5	535			110.25
Dallas Morning News (2)	195	371	14	16	30.25
Dallas Times Herald (2)	195	226	29	17	90.25
Denver Post (2)	19.5	240	22	18	6.25
Detroit Free Press (2)	19.5	626	8	19	132.25
Ft. Worth Star-Telegram (2)	195	150	37	20	306.25
Louisville Courier-Jour (2)	195	231	28	21	72,25
Orange Co. Register (2)	19.5	343	17	22	6.25
Pittsburgh Press (2)	195	232	26.5	23	49.00
Raleigh News & Observer (2)	19.5	142	39	24	380.25
San Diego Evening Trib. (2)	19.5	122	42	25	506.25
St. Petersburg Times (2)	19.5	349	16	26	12.25
Akron Beacon Journal (1)	40.5	153	35	28	30.25
Alabama Journal (1)	40.5	16	51	29	110.25
Anchorage Daily News (1)	40.5	56	46.5	30	36,00
Austin AmerStatesmen (1)	40.5	172	33	31	56.25
Baltimore Sun (1)	40.5	238	23	32	306.25
Boston Herald-American (1)	40.5	358	15	33	650.25
Dayton Daily News (1)	40.5	179	32	34	72.25
Fort Wayne News Sentinel (1)	40.5	57	7 45	35	20.25
Jackson Clarion-Ledger (1)	40 5	99	43	36	6.25
Kansas City Times (1)	40.5	275	19	37	462.25
Lawrence Eagle-Tribune (1)	40.5			38	25.00

Lexinton Herald Leader (1)	40.5	123	41	39	0.25
Longview Daily News (1)	405	24	51	40	110.25
Macon Telegraph & News (1)	40.5	72	44	41	12.25
New York Daily News (1)	40.5	1194	2	42	1 482.25
Odessa American (1)	40.5	28	50	43	90.25
Orlando Sentinel (1)	40.5	266	21	44	380.25
Philadelphia Daily News (1)	40.5	232	26.5	45	196.00
Pottstown Mercury (1)	40.5	29	49	47	72.25
Pottsville Republican (1)	40.5	30	48	48	56.25
San Francisco Examiner (1)	40.5	138	40	49	0.25
San Jose Mercury News (1)	40.5	274	20	50	420.25
Seattle Times (1)	40.5	233	25	51	240.25
St. Louis Post-Dispatch (1)	40.5	377	13	52	756.25
Va. Pilot & Ledger-Star (1)	40.5	151	36	53	20.25
TOTALS	1-1				8,747.75
SPEARMAN RHO					0.60
*NOTE: Lutz (1983) interpret	s an 0,60 i	magnitude of co	rrelation	as "a strong	relationship".
(Formula: 8,747.75 X 6 = 52	4,865 / 1	32,600 = 0 3958	3		
r = 1 - 0.3958 = 0.60)					

APPENDIX F

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*SPEARMAN RANK-ORDER				
NUMBER OF PULITZERS				
THE MEDIA RESEARCH				
NORTHRIDGE, 1983 LIST	OF I	HE 15 10P	DAILIES	" IN THE U.S.
NEWSPAPER &	RANK	1989	RANK	Squared
PULITZERS		CIRCULATION		Difference
		(Thousands)		
New York Times (14)		1068	3	4
Wall Street Journal (5)	8	1836	1	49
Washington Post (8)	4	773	4	0
Los Angeles Times (6)	7	1108	2	25
Chicago Tribune (8)	4	720	5	
Christian Science M. (0)	145	137		0.25
Philadelphia Inquirer (12)	2	505		36
Boston Globe (7)	6	516	7	1
Miami Herald (8)	4	427	9	25
St. Petersburg Times (2)	11	349	[1]	0
Newsday (3)	9	700	6	9
Atlanta Constitution (2)	11	284	12	
Louisviile Courier-Jour (2)	11	231		9
Milwaukee Journal (0)	14.5	275	13	2.25
St Louis Post-Dispatch (1)	13	377	10	9
TOTALS				1715
SPEARMAN RHO	1			0.69
*Note: Lutz (1983) interpre	ts an C	l).69 magnitude	e of corre	lation
as "strong relationship"				

APPENDIX G

		APPENDIX G					
*SPEARMAN RANK-ORDER	CORRE	LATION WITH	RANK E	3Y			
NUMBER OF PULITZER WO	N TO I	989 CIRCULAT	IONRA	NK OF			
TIME MAGAZINE'S LIST O	F "TOP	TEN" NEWSPA	PERS.				
SELECTED IN 1984 AND P	RINTE	APRIL 30. P	g 58-6	3			
NEWSPAPER &	BANK	1989	RANK	Squared			
PULITZERS		CIRCULATION		Difference			
		(Thousands)					
New York Times (14)	1	1068	3	4			
Philadelphia Inquirer (12)	2	505	7	25			
Washington Post (8)	4	773	4	0			
Miami Herald (8)	4	427	8	16			
Chicago Tribune (8)	4	720	5	1			
Boston Globe (7)	6	516	6	0			
Los Angeles Times (6)	7	1108	2	25			
Wall Street Journal (5)	8	1836	1	49			
Des Moines Register (3)	9	210	10				
St. Petersburg Times (2)	10	349	9	1-			
TOTALS				122			
SPEARMAN RHO				0.26			
*Note Lutz (1983) interpr	oto on	0.26 magnitus	to of -	crolotion			