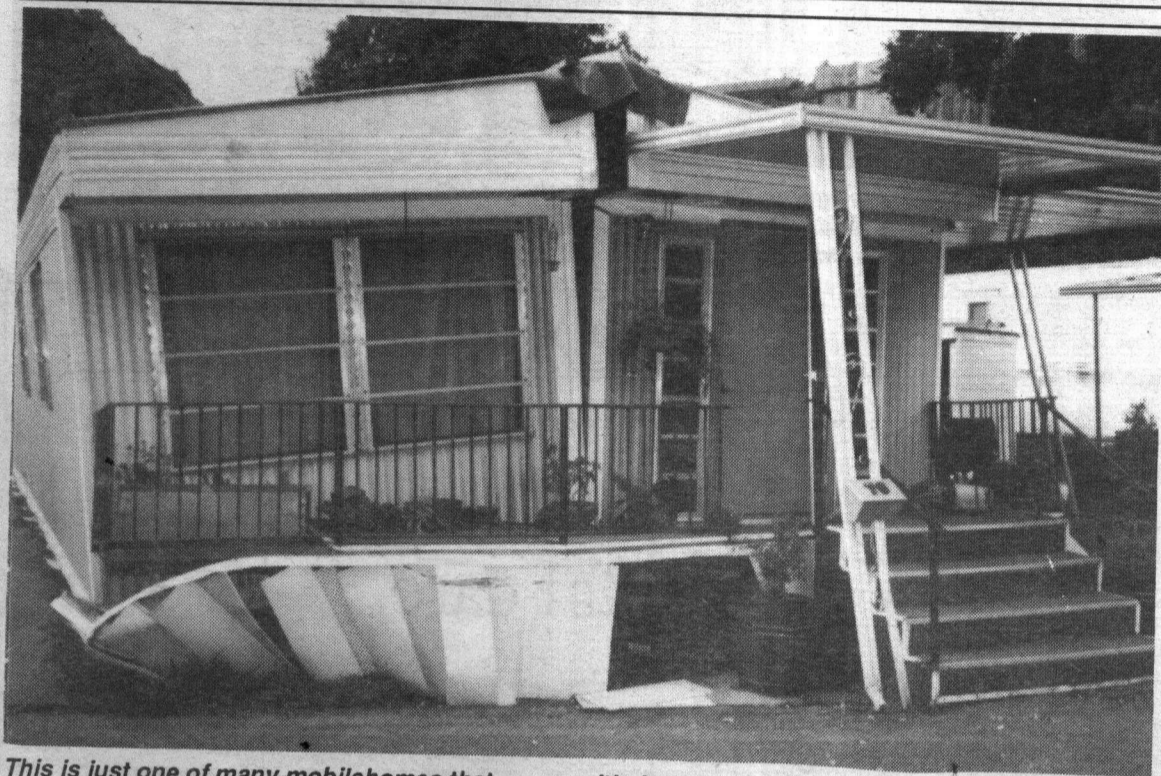


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This is just one of many mobilehomes that incurred severe damage during the great earthquake of 1989. This coach not only slipped off of

its foundation, but also started to split in half. Fortunately, no one was injured in this home.

unsettling effects on mobilehomes

## Parks Suffer Damage in Quake

by Bob Johnson

**W**atsonville mobilehome residents were hit as hard as any group in the county by the destructive power of the October 17 earthquake and the aftershocks that were particularly devastating in the South County.

At the Rancho Cerritos park on Kralj Drive two homes burned to the ground as a result of the earthquake.

And virtually all of the 145 homes at Ranch Cerritos were knocked off their foundations by the October 17 temblor.

"Figures don't go that high," said Rancho Cerritos co-manager Mike McClintock when asked the extent of the damage. "It is humongous."

Miraculously no one died and no one was seriously injured in the devastation at Rancho Cerritos.

While residents of the park do have their phone service back as of mid-day Monday electricity had not been restored to the coaches

and residents figured to have a particularly long wait for gas.

"There's quite a few people that have moved out," McClintock said Monday, as the insurance adjusters moved in to add up the damage and the

construction crews began putting the park back together.

Rancho Cerritos suffered the worst damage but mobilehomes throughout Watsonville have been devastated by the earthquakes.

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*Santa Cruz historic landmarks*

## Residents Evacuated from Hotels

by Bob Johnson

**O**n Monday morning a group of 50 former residents of the St. George Hotel gathered at the Loudon Nelson Community Center to be escorted for a 10-minute opportunity to retrieve personal belongings from their homes.

They are among the hundreds of Santa Cruz City seniors who were left homeless when the earthquake destroyed four hotels with predominantly senior residents.

The residents of both the Palomar Hotel and the Colonial Inn returned briefly to their rooms last weekend for what was probably a last opportunity to retrieve their possessions and take a last look at their homes.

And the 147 residents who had been evacuated from the Casa Del Rey on Beach Street were also escorted back for a final chance to pick up their treasures last weekend.

But the St. George residents were not even fortunate enough to receive a

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