

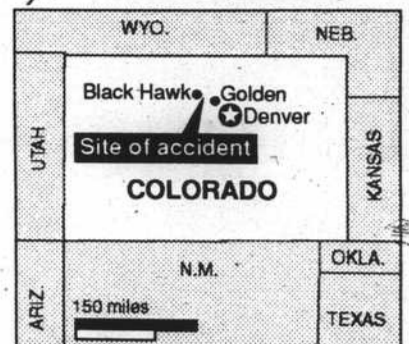
## Colorado bus wreck leaves two dead, 41 hurt

BLACK HAWK, Colo. — A bus carrying dozens of gamblers to a Colorado casino collided head-on with a van and plunged into a creek Sunday, killing two passengers. At least 41 people were injured.

The collision sent the bus veering off the road and into Clear Creek, where it landed on its side on a stretch of dry creek bed.

At least two people trapped under a boulder were screaming for help, said Jennifer Manley, a nurse who stopped at the accident site about 35 miles northwest of Denver.

At least six other people sustained serious or critical injuries, officials said.



### News... in a Minute

**Poll: Money, insurance top worry list**  
NEW YORK — More than one-third of adults worry "a lot" about not having enough money and health insurance, while fewer than 10 percent worry that they will go to hell, according to a Harris Poll released Sunday.

### Playmate tells of Costner affair

LONDON — What kind of a man dances with wolves? A wild thing. A Playboy playmate told a British newspaper that Kevin Costner told her to meet him for a liaison at a Sydney hotel, where he was registered under the name "Tom Feral."

### Vacation money? No problem

OMAHA — The world's two richest men reportedly are planning to take a train ride through China.

### Something to crow about

KENNETT, Mo. — The last time Grammy winner Sheryl Crow stood on the Dunklin County Courthouse steps, she was being honored as a member of the homecoming court in high school.

## As firefighters finish up battling weekend blaze, residents show thanks

WESTHAMPTON, N.Y. — Firefighters on Sunday doused the last hot spots from a forest fire that had threatened expensive resort communities, and people whose homes were saved posted thank-you notes on their mailboxes.

*"It was a nightmare to see. I don't feel sorry for the trees at all."*

**FRANK NICOTRA**  
Westhampton business owner

The stench of smoke still hung over sections of the Sunrise Highway, a main artery busy with traffic other than fire trucks as weekend visitors headed home from the exclusive Hamptons villages.

Several hundred firefighters remained on the job on eastern Long Island to track down and extinguish smoldering embers. An occasional pocket of flame sent smoking rising into the air.

Some 400 Westhampton residents were forced to evacuate at the height of the fire, some 70 miles east of New York City.

Frank Nicotra, owner of Westhampton Foreign & Domestic Experts Ltd., estimated he lost between \$100,000 and \$150,000 when the fire destroyed several classic cars on his lot, including a 1958 Romeo Spider Veloce, a 1965 Cadillac convertible and a 1968 Mercedes.

## Kerrey confident in Democratic Party as 1996 election closes in

OMAHA — With the Democratic Party suffering the aftermath of the Republican gains in 1994, U.S. Sen. Bob Kerrey says he feels like Gen. George Patton in a scene from a 1970 movie.

At the same time, Kerrey acknowledges that his role as head of the Senate campaign committee could tarnish his national image and create political problems for him in Nebraska.

In announcing his retirement earlier this month, Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., criticized both parties and said he no longer believed that Congress could deal with the problems of the American people.

## Hurricane leftovers kill at least three

GAFFNEY, S.C. — Heavy rain from the remnants of Tropical Storm Jerry flooded much of the Carolinas on Sunday, killing at least three and forcing dozens of evacuations and damaging homes.

The body of Christoffer Michael Douty, 18, was found Sunday morning in a flooded creek in Greenville County. He had jumped in to save a teen-age girl and drowned. The girl survived.

Three other people in the car escaped. The raging floodwater forced authorities to postpone their search. Numerous car wrecks were blamed on the heavy rain, including two fatal accidents in South Carolina.

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