



PASADENA, CA — This single story building built in the early 1900s crumbled to the ground during Southern California's earthquake which measured 6.1 on the Richter scale.

Earthquake strikes Southern California

WHITTIER, CA — An earthquake rumbled through Southern California on October 1, killing six people and damaging hundreds of houses.

The U.S. Geological Survey reported that the earthquake registered 6.1 on the Richter Scale, making it the strongest earthquake to hit California since 1971.

Earthquakes are caused by cracks, called faults, in rock formations. The land on one side of the fault moves more slowly than the land on the other, creating stress. Too much stress causes an earthquake to occur. The earthquake in California was the result of stress along the Whittier-Elsinore Fault.

If you'd like to know more about earthquakes, don't miss the next issue of *Young American*.



Max Beck tried to set a world record by covering himself with 50,000 bees.

Temperatures slow down busy bugs

PORTLAND, OR — A lot of bugs have been buzzing around this year. That's because there weren't extremely cold temperatures last winter, which normally kill insects. Plus, the summer was hot and dry, which is perfect weather for bugs.

Yellow jackets have been popular, too. Yellow jackets look like wasps. But wasps have a skinny waist; yellow jackets have a straight body. Yellow jackets don't lose their stingers or die after they sting people.

Yellow jackets live in the ground or in places where people don't often go. They are attracted to the smell of meat. That's why they show up at picnics.

Yellow jackets and the other bugs will continue to buzz around until the temperature drops to below 40 degrees Fahrenheit. That's when they hibernate. Bugs live by the weather. If it's hot outside, they're busy working. If it's cool, their bodies slow down and they hibernate.

Adventure in
Bulbtown

LAST
TIME

MEGAWATT DIRECTED OUR
HEROES THROUGH SOCKET CITY
CENTER UNTIL THEY ARRIVED
AT A HUGE DOOR.

WELL, I
GUESS WHAT
WE'RE LOOKING
FOR IS BEHIND
THIS DOOR.

SUDDENLY THE HUGE
DOOR BEGINS TO SLIDE OPEN.

LOOK AT THIS
MESS. NO WONDER
THERE HAVE BEEN
BROWNOUTS.

THESE WIRES
ARE RUNNING
EVERYWHERE.
WHAT A HAZARD.

THERE'S
BART AND THE
PROFESSOR.
THEY SEEM
TO BE
FROZEN!

WELCOME TO THE
HOME OF MEGAWATT.
I HAVE BEEN
WAITING FOR YOU!

YOU ARE
GOING TO HELP
ME. YES?

AMY SENSING DANGER
SLIPS BEHIND SOME
EQUIPMENT UNSEEN
BY MEGAWATT.

PGE

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AMY SAVES THE DAY.

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