

SEVERE EARTH TREMOR

In New South Wales

THE WORST IN MANY YEARS

Considerable Damage

CANBERRA, November 19.

Furniture jumped and crockery was cracked in every home in Canberra at 8 a.m. to-day, when one of the worst earth tremors in years was experienced.

The swimming pool was subjected to a violent shaking, and the attendant feared that the office section of the structure was about to collapse.

The plaster work in the ceiling was cracked, and the telephone vibrated so violently that the bell rang.

RESIDENTS ALARMED.

Trees shook and the walls trembled, but no damage was done, though women and children were badly scared.

The tremor was preceded by an ominous rumbling and lasted nearly two minutes.

THE CAUSE.

The Government Geologist (Dr. Woolnough) stated that the disturbance was caused by a movement of the earth crust near Lake George and in the smaller lines of the fracture which exist throughout the whole of the Monaro district.
