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SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Two quick, dish-rattling earthquakes jolted a 30-mile area south of here Friday night, causing no reported injuries or damage.

The tremors, at 6:52 and 6:53 p.m., registered 4.0 and 2.5 on the Richter scale, the University of California's Berkeley seismology station said.

The quakes struck along a line running through Sunnyvale, on the southern tip of San Francisco Bay, to Santa Cruz, near the coast.

Police in area cities reported a deluge of telephone inquiries. Residents reported broken glasses, dishes, and a deputy sheriff said he was "almost knocked out of my chair."

A Palo Alto newspaper editor said a crack formed above a door in his home. A Cupertino liquor dealer said bottles spilled off the shelves.

Telephone service from the Palo Alto Times southward was temporarily disrupted.

Menlo Park's earthquake research center reported the tremor apparently was centered near San Jose, about four miles beneath the earth's surface, "probably on the San Andreas fault."