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Columnar or comb frost on the soil in a thermal area of Yellowstone National Park, 23 February 1961. The frost was produced by the freezing of wet soil and capillary growth which raised the soil surface about 4 inches. On the day the picture was taken, the air temperature dropped to \(-10^\circ\)F and the radiant temperature of the sky dropped to \(-72^\circ\)F. The vertical rod is a thermometer. See page 32. [David M. Gates, Boulder Laboratories, National Bureau of Standards]