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# Another Bitter Storm Rips Southern Plains; Death Toll Is Mounting

## Mercury Skids To Near Zero Friday Night

**United Press International**  
Low temperature records for the season were equalled at Indianapolis today as the mercury plunged to four degrees above zero in a cold wave that slipped into Indiana on the heels of the winter's worst snowstorm.

The brunt of the icy wave struck the middle third of Hoosierland. Lafayette's three above was the coldest reported officially by the Weather Bureau. It was 8 above at Terre Haute, 9 above at Fort Wayne, 10 above at Chicago, 14 at South Bend and Evansville, 17 at Cincinnati and 21 at Louisville.

The four above mark at Indianapolis was the coldest recorded there since last Nov. 17, which previously was the chilliest day of the 1959-60 winter with a four-above low. Since that date, the mercury had dropped no lower than seven above in the capital, once in January and once earlier this week.

Snow cleared over most of the state to pave the way for the near-zero readings.

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## Escape Serious Injury When Plane Crashes

**LOWELL, Ind. (UPI)** — Two men escaped serious injury Friday when their light plane developed engine trouble and crash-landed in a field west of here.

The men were identified as Dale Whittner, the pilot, and William Morland, both of Mount Vernon, Ill.

State police said the plane was forced down when a crankshaft broke. It made a wheels-up landing on a snowy field near the intersection of U.S. 41 and Ind. 2.

## NOON EDITION

# Ike Rests In Andean Resort

**BUENOS AIRES (UPI)** — President Eisenhower takes a breather today in his strenuous schedule and flies to the Andean Mountain resort of San Carlos de Bariloche with President Arturo Frondizi for informal talks — and perhaps a bit of golf, swimming, hiking, fishing or just loafing.

Friday night at a glittering banquet while followers of deposed dictator Juan Peron chanted Peronista slogans outside Eisenhower's voice seemed a trifle hoarse and he interrupted himself three times to clear his throat.

The occasional chants of "pay-ton" heard throughout his visit to Buenos Aires failed to distract from the immense welcome, warmest so far of his four-nation South American tour.

Crowds estimated from between 750,000 and 1,000,000 almost engulfed him in a reception rivaling those of India and Pakistan.

The President's associates

## Senators Meet In Saturday Session

### Three Accidents Are Reported By Sheriff

**WASHINGTON (UPI)** — The legislative mills ground to a halt in the Senate this week, short-circuited by the leadership's determination to reach a civil rights vote and stubborn Southern resistance.

Senators met today in an unusual Saturday session to continue the fiery 11-day-old debate. They faced the prospect of around-the-clock meetings beginning Monday.

Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson (Tex.) declared he would start the 24-hour sessions if no vote was reached this week. Senate Republican Leader Everett M. Dirksen (Ill.) supported Johnson's plan.

But Southerners declared the action was "tyranny" and "legislative blackmail."

Sen. Strom Thurmond (D-S.C.), the chamber's filibuster champion, pledged a "fight to the finish."

Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.) said "determined men" could not be quieted.

While the civil rights row raged, Appropriations Committee Chairman Carl Hayden (D-Ariz.) worked for agreement to allow passage of vital money bills as they become ready for full Senate action.

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Space: Atomic Energy Commission officials told the House Space Committee the United States could land a man on the moon ahead of schedule during the 1960's, but only if the nuclear-powered rocket program was pushed.

### Work Overtime To Aid Transportation

**Swirling snow drifts caused more trouble in the Decatur rural area Friday night than Thursday when the snow fell, with more than 40 cars pulled out by the county highway department alone, Lawrence Noll, county highway superintendent, said this morning.**

The persons stuck in the snow used every excuse from sightseeing to driving down the road to borrow eggs from a neighbor for being out Friday night.

**In Old Days**  
Old-timers, who worked for the county highway department years ago, reported they used to have to walk a mile to a telephone, then wait for four or more hours for help. By use of the radio truck dispatching service, and with nearly every home equipped with a telephone, car rescue work has been speeded greatly.

The county highway department worked all night again, with the men taking turns on shifts, sleeping at the garage between times. Between 17 and 20 men were used, with two men in each truck. One drives, and the other works the snow plow, and they trade off regularly. There are four snow plows, two under-body scrapers, and two diesel graders in use.

Noll stated that the department hopes to have the roads clear again by evening; winds have kept the drifts moving back over the roads, although there has been no fresh snow.

**City Street Work**

The city street department also worked most of the night, clearing Second street in the main parking area, and Court street. Other streets still remain heavily covered, however. Work began on Monroe street this morning.

Slick roads caused three accidents Friday night, and basketball fans were cautioned to use extreme care in driving to the sectional this afternoon and evenings.

### United Press International

Another bitter snowstorm ripped through the southern Plains today and giant, death-dealing waves pounded the New England coast.

Weathermen predicted more than four inches of snow for northern Oklahoma and southern Kansas with lighter snowfalls from the Texas-Oklahoma panhandle into the mid-Mississippi Valley.

Sub-zero temperatures were expected to increase the misery as far south as Kansas.

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