

FOREST FIRE RUINS 4 0 SQUARE MILES

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near Portland, Oregon,
25,000 acres of first class timber/burned to smoke
and ashes in ^{America's} the most disastrous forest-blaze ~~has been~~
~~has been~~ for many years. A holiday makers' camp fire
was the ~~cause~~ cause.

Two thousand volunteer fire fighters waged a non-stop ~~fight~~ ^{fight} ~~battle~~ ^{battle}
~~battle~~ to hem the blaze in. At first it was ~~alooosing~~ ^{alooosing} ~~fight~~ ^{fight}
~~battle~~ ^{strength} Tinder-dry undergrowth and winds of gale ~~force~~
weighted the scale heavily in favour of the flames.

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(15 LV) ~~Thousands of deer perished.~~ This great fire
is all the more regrettable, coming at a time when, to
repair the ravages of war, the world is crying ^{out} for timber.

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- 1. TITLE: BIGGEST FOREST FIRE!
- 2. This year's worst forest fire roars through northwest Oregon, 30 miles from Portland. A spark started it. Within 4 days, 25,000 acres of valuable timberland are ablaze--35 square miles. 2,000 fire fighters work valiantly to save these vast growths of giant Douglas Firs. But high winds and bone dry underbrush contribute to this tragic wartime loss. The fire spreads, driving out forest deer and rabbits.
- 20. Forestry experts point to this Oregon fire and remind vacationists that carelessness starts 9 out of every 10 forest fires!