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SMOTHER IT! Viennese Fire Brigade adopts new
method of extinguishing outbreaks of fire.

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Picture.:)

Foam covered firemen demonstrate in Vienna a new way of putting out a fire. They--

--don't drown it. They just smother--

--it. The hoses blow a froth of--

--chemical bubbles over the flames. It seals--

--the fire from the air. After extinguishing a tank of--

--petrol, a real honest-to-goodness house which--

--nobody wants, is fired to further prove the efficiency of the smothering process.

The new-style fire-fighters get to work again and soon the blaze is under control.

This method of extinguishing fires is cheaper than pumping water,--

--the froth doesn't damage the article sprayed as water does, and--

--the firemen can approach the fire without risk of being burned. So Viennese firemen become froth-blowers,--

--and adopt as their theme-song "We're for ever blowing bubbles."