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Estimated 25,000 turkeys killed in Minn. fire

Associated Press
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CANNON FALLS, Minn. - An estimated 25,000 turkeys are dead after a fire swept through a large turkey barn in rural Cannon Falls, but no one was hurt in the blaze.

Wanamingo Fire Chief Scott Goodman says when firefighters arrived at Peterson Turkey Hatchery on Friday a third of the barn was already engulfed in flames and the rest quickly caught on fire.

Goodman says it appears a propane heater may have sparked the blaze.

John Peterson helps run the family operation. He called it a "terrible fire" that was really upsetting.

Cannon Falls is about 40 miles southeast of Minneapolis.

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