

# *May Be Largest Cottonwood Tree*

What the Forest Service believes to be the largest black cottonwood tree in the United States was discovered last summer by a forest inventory crew working with men from the state forester's office near Haines.

The tree, whose age cannot be determined because much of the interior trunk has decayed, measures 32½ feet in circumference at 4½ feet above the ground. It is 101 feet high and has a crown spread of 60 feet.

The tree is growing on State-selected land about five miles upriver from Klukwan on the Klehini River flood plain.