TABLE 7. COEFFICIENT OF HEAT TRANSFER OF INSTANTANEOUS WATER HEATERS

U = Btu per (hr) (sq ft) (Fahrenheit degree logarithmic mean temperature difference)

Boiler Water Temperature	210	200	180
U	225	175	150

water surrounding the coil. If the heater is located in the water of an actively steaming part of a boiler the heat transfer may be twice as great as would be obtained if the water surrounding the coil were circulating slowly. Ratings of instantaneous water heating coils will therefore vary greatly depending upon the assumptions made regarding the conditions of operation. The values of the coefficient of heat transmission for instantaneous heaters shown in Table 7 are conservative.

For a coil in which heat is transferred from steam to water the value of $U = 300\sqrt{v}$ may safely be used (v = velocity of water in feet per second).

The rate of heat transfer between steam or water as the carrier and the domestic water is influenced by the rate of movement of both the carrier and the water which receives the heat. For this reason, where the transfer occurs from heating system water to domestic water, it is good practice to install a circulating pump to insure rapid movement of the boiler water.

In view of the high condensation rates obtained when steam is used with gravity circulation from the boiler, as when there is a sudden demand followed by an inflow of cold water, the bottom of a steam heating transfer element always should be at least 30 in. above the boiler water line, and the steam and condensate return pipes should be of liberal size. Otherwise water hammer and reduced capacity may result due to imperfect drainage of condensate.

When connecting a transfer-type hot water heater below the water line of a cast-iron steam boiler having vertical sections, there should be a separate tapping for water circulation into every section of the boiler, as shown in Fig. 9, unless the boiler has large top nipple ports providing inter-sectional circulation. If the top nipples are entirely within the boiler steam space, no internal circulation occurs between sections and steaming may occur in sections not connected to the heater and further the unconnected sections will not deliver any heat to the heater.

CONTROL OF SERVICE WATER TEMPERATURE

Coal-fired boilers are usually controlled by an immersion thermostat located in the heated water, which opens or closes draft dampers at the boiler to adjust the rate of fuel combustion. With oil or gas-fired boilers the immersion thermostat controls the oil burner or the automatic gas valve. The gas pilot flame usually burns continuously. With electric heaters the immersion thermostat operates a switch on the source of energy.

When steam or hot water is the medium for heating the water in the tank, an immersion thermostat is used to control a valve in the steam or hot water supply line. In small residence installations, using water as the carrier, a combined immersion thermostat and butterfly valve in one simple fitting may be installed in the transmitting circuit to prevent overheating of the service water.

In residences heated by pump circulated hot water, the house temperature is controlled by operating the circulating pump intermittently, while domestic hot water is warmed by transfer from the house boiler,

independent of the pump operation. The domestic water is heated from the heating boiler the year 'round. Under such an arrangement, to prevent overheating the house by thermal circulation when the pump is not running, it is usual to insert a weighted check-valve in the house heating main, so that no circulation to the house heating system can occur unless the pump operates. In summer the fire may be controlled to maintain a boiler water temperature lower than when heating and generally about 20 F warmer than that desired in the domestic hot water system.

In buildings which have restaurants it is generally desirable to install two separate service hot water systems so that water at about 180 F minimum may be available for dish washing, while water at 140 F maximum may be used for lavatory and bath purposes.

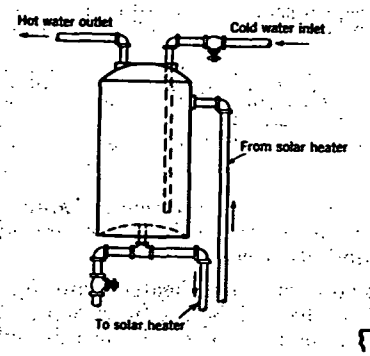

FIG. 11. SOLAR HEATER TANK CONNECTIONS

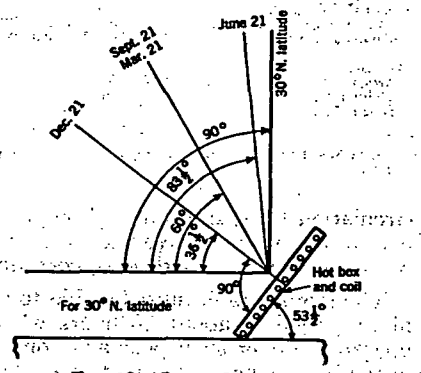

FIG. 12. SOLAR HEATING COIL INCLINATION

The immersion thermostat in a hot water storage tank should be located no higher than the center of the tank, and possibly should be even closer to the bottom since water in a tank stratifies proportionally to the temperature. When hot water is removed, the cold water entering to replace it quickly reduces the temperature in the lower parts of the tank.

SOLAR WATER HEATERS

Solar heaters utilize the energy of the sun for heating hot water. The successful operation of such heaters requires the availability of sunshine practically every day in the year, which has limited their use to Florida and the southern portions of California. When supplemented with some other means of gas, coal or, oil water heating, solar heaters may be used in climates where sunshine may be more or less intermittent. They have been used in summer homes as far north as Chicago. When properly installed and proportioned, solar water heaters render satisfactory service especially in climates where the outside temperatures are high and extremely hot water is not necessarily desirable. Such installations consist essentially of a storage tank, heating coil, and hot box. The coil is installed in the hot box and is arranged to circulate water to and from the storage tank. The advantage in the use of this type of heater is the fact that it requires no fuel. The same materials should be used for the coil,