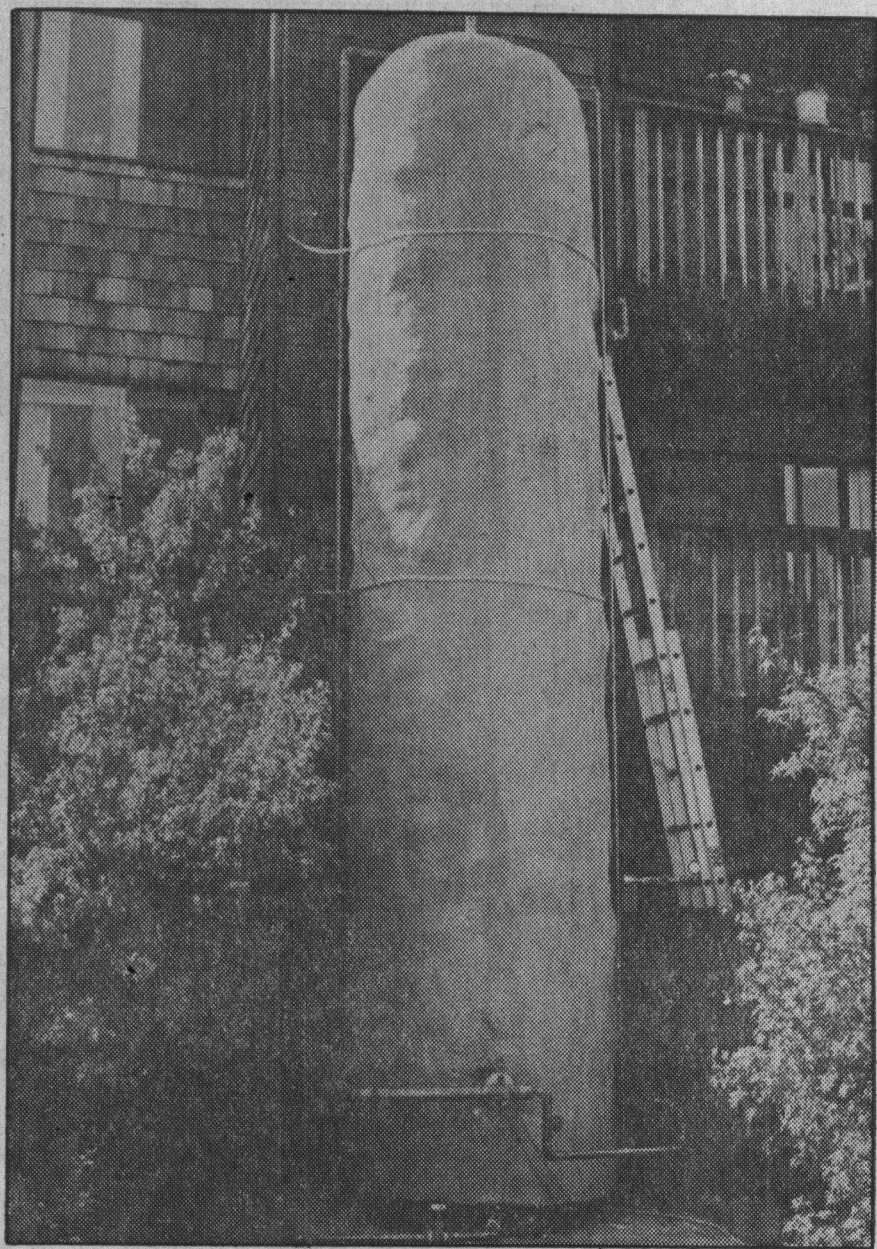


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Solar heater

No, this isn't the world's largest corndog. It is, however, a solar water heating tank, recently installed at the San Lorenzo Park Apartments. Peggy LaFrance, manager of the complex which is for senior citizens only, says the installation of the tank was an all-day project. LaFrance says the tank will eventually be covered by a shed, using shingles to match the rest of the building. Jeff Biegler, maintenance man for the complex, says the tank, which holds 750 gallons, is connected to 30 solar panels located on the roof of the building. According to Biegler, when the tank arrived it had no insulating cover. The foam insulation was sprayed on the tank, says Biegler. "It's pretty interesting stuff — it goes on like that oven cleaner," says Biegler.