## BRIEF COMMUNICATIONS

SYNTHESIS OF 5, 7-DIMETHYLTHIENO-, 3, 1-DIMETHYLTHIONAPHTHENO-, AND 6, 4-DIMETHYLTHIENOTHIENOPYRIDINES

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New heterocyclic compounds with a condensed thiophene ring are synthesized.

4-Methyl- and 7-methylthieno-, 1-methylthio-naphtheno- and 4- and 8-methylthienothienopyridines [1-5] have been synthesized. The present communication describes syntheses of new heterocyclic bases: 5,7-dimethylthieno[3,2-b]-,3,1-dimethylthionaphthieno[3,2-b]-,6,4-dimethylthieno[2,3-b]thieno-[2,3-b] pyridines, and 7,9-dimethylthieno [3,2-f]-quinoline (I-IV), respectively isosteric with 2,4-dimethylquinoline, 2,4-dimethyl-7,8- and -5,6-benzoquinolines.

4,6-Dimethylthieno[2,3-b] pyridine was synthesized in 1941 by Emerson and coworkers [6], by reacting the stannous double salt of 2-aminothiophene hydrochloride with acetylacetone, by heating in the presence of concentrated sulfuric acid. The isomeric 5,7-dimethylthieno[3,2-b]pyridine is obtained by condensing the stannous double salt of 3-aminothiophene hydrochloride with acetylacetone in dry ethanol, by heating with zinc chloride.

Compounds II-IV are obtained from the corresponding amino compounds according to the equations

$$\frac{\text{CH}_3\text{COCH}_2\text{COCH}_3}{\text{ZnCI}_9} \qquad \frac{\text{CH}_3\text{COCH}_2\text{COCH}_3}{\text{ZnCI}_2} \qquad \text{III}$$

$$\frac{\text{CH}_3\text{COCH}_2\text{COCH}_3}{\text{ZnCI}_2} \qquad \frac{\text{III}}{\text{ZnCI}_2}$$

All the compounds readily form picrates and methiodides.

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