## NEW METHOD FOR THE PREPARATION OF

## TETRAHYDROPYRAN DERIVATIVES

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In a study of the reaction of bis  $(\alpha$ -chloroalkyl) ethers with a number of monoolefins in the presence of zinc chloride and copper chloride, we detected a new reaction leading to the formation of tetrahydropyran derivatives according to the following general scheme:

$$O \stackrel{CH_2CI}{\leftarrow} + RCH_2CR' = CHR'' \longrightarrow R'' \stackrel{CI}{\leftarrow} R$$

The structures of the pyrans obtained were proved by the results of IR spectroscopy and elementary analysis, as well as by alternative synthesis. Thus the reaction of 1,3-dichloro-2-butene with bis  $(\alpha$ -chloromethyl) ether gave 3-(chloromethyl)-4,4-dichlorotetrahydropyran that was identical to that reported in [1].

The tetrahydropyrans listed below were prepared by the new method.

## EXPERIMENTAL

 $\frac{3-Propyl-4-chlorotetrahydropyran.}{3-Propyl-4-chlorotetrahydropyran.}$  This was obtained in 40% yield and had bp 91° (16 mm), d $_4^{20}$  1.0398, and  $n_D^{20}$  1.4630. Found %: Cl 22.38.  $C_8H_{15}ClO$ . Calculated %: Cl 21.80.

3,5-Trimethylene-4-chlorotetrahydropyran. This was obtained in 45% yield and had bp 85° (7 mm),  $d_4^{20}$  1.1296, and  $n_D^{20}$  1.4960. Found %: C 58.70; H 8.0; Cl 21.30.  $C_8H_{13}ClO$ . Calculated %: C 59.80; H 8.0; Cl 22.1.

 $\frac{3-\text{Methyl-4,4-dichlorotetrahydropyran.}}{1.3674, \text{ and } n_D^{20} \text{ 1.4655. Found \%: C 42.50; H 6.09; Cl 41.25. C}_{6}H_{10}Cl_2O. \text{ Calculated \%: C 42.60; H 5.91; Cl 42.01.}$ 

 $\frac{4\text{-Methyl-4-chlorotetrahydropyran.}}{1.0547, \text{ and } n_D^{20}} \text{ This was obtained in 25\% yield and had bp 44-45° (12 mm), } d_4^{20} \\ 1.0547, \text{ and } n_D^{20} \text{ 1.4480. Found \%: C 53.60; H 8.10. C}_6 H_{11} \text{ClO. Calculated \%: C 53.53; H 8.17.}$ 

3-Chloromethyl-4,4-dichlorotetrahydropyran. This was obtained in 50% yield and had bp 104° (13 mm),  $d_4^{20}$  1.378, and  $n_D^{20}$  1.5050. According to [1], I has bp 104° (13 mm),  $d_4^{20}$  1.390, and  $n_D^{20}$  1.5040. The identical character of the samples obtained by the two methods was proved by gas-liquid chromatography with a 2.5-m long column [1% polyethyleneglycol on Chromosorb G, column temperature 160°, gas (nitrogen) flow rate 60 ml/min].

Investigations to ascertain the dependence of the course of the reaction on the structural peculiarities of the reagents and studies of the range of application of the reaction are continuing.

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