cedure. If this is done, a solution of cobaltous ion containing 0.01 mg. per cc. will yield a yellow precipitate (probably Cs₂KCo(NO₂)₆) in about three minutes.³

Considerable quantities of iron, manganese or nickel do not interfere with the cobaltinitrite precipitation.

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Inorganic Lubricants. IV. Lubricants for Temperatures Above and Below Normal. A. For Temperatures Above Normal.—Aqueous metaphosphate and metaphosphoric acid solutions yield clear, viscous lubricants capable of operating up to 120° and by selection to 160°, the operating range of temperature (Op. r.) over which any particular solution has satisfactory lubricating properties depending upon the temperature at which boiling of that solution is stopped (T. b.) Typical examples are listed in Table I.

TABLE I

Boiling Temperatures and Approximate Operating Temperature Ranges for Various Metaphosphate Solutions

A. Aqueous solutions of metaphosphoric acid containing approximately 20% of added orthophosphoric acid

T. b., °C.	140	150	165	185	205	
Op. r., °C.	25-30	40-60	45–7 0	55-75	65-80	
T. b., °C.	230	260	300	350		
Op. r., °C.	70-85	80–95	105-120	Fumes		
B. Solutions of sodium metaphosphate						

T. b., °C.	107	a	110	a	115	120
Op. r., °C.	25+		50-65		60-85	65-90

C. Solutions of sodium metaphosphate containing approximately 20% of borax and 10% of added orthophosphoric acid

T. b, °0	C. 110	115	122	a	118	125
Op. r., °	C. 25-1	- 60-80	70-90		50-80	90-160

a The solution was then diluted and again boiled down to avoid crystallization at the operating temperature range.

These lubricants in their respective operating ranges have properties quite similar to those of the phosphoric acid and metaphosphate lubricants

⁸ Cf. Noyes and Bray, "A System of Qualitative Analysis for the Rare Elements," The Macmillan Company, New York, 1927, p. 202.

previously described.^{1a} In general, the operating range rises during their protracted use at elevated temperatures because of further slow dehydration.

A variety of salts melted in their water of crystallization and, at higher temperatures, certain anhydrous salts yield liquids which, when mixed with sufficient quantities of finely powdered, non-reacting, stable solids to form stiff, creamy pastes, afford lubricants similar to those obtained by mixing such solids with aqueous solutions of deliquescent substances, ^{1b} but having operating ranges up to their reaction or decomposition temperatures.

TABLE II

OPERATING RANGES OF MIXTURES OF FUSED SALTS WITH FINELY DIVIDED SOLIDS

Subs.	М. р., °С.	Mixed with powdered	Op. r., °C.	Remarks
$Ca(NO_3)_2\cdot 4H_2O$	42	Graphite	45-120	Supercools
$Na_2B_2O_4\cdot 2H_2O$	57	Graphite	55-110	Supercools
$Na_2S_2O_3\cdot 5H_2O$	48	Graphite	70-110	SO ₂ evolved
$Mg(NO_2)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$	90	Kaolin	110-200	
KSCN	172	Kaolin	175 - 320	
KNO_3	337	Kaolin	340-360	Decomposes above 360°

A mixture of equal parts by weight of crystallized calcium nitrate and potassium nitrate when heated to 120° and stirred until a clear solution of calcium nitrate in the potassium salt was thus obtained yielded a liquid that when mixed with kaolin gave a series of lubricants of increasing temperature ranges depending on the temperatures at which boiling the liquid was stopped.

Table III

Boiling Temperatures of Mixed Calcium and Potassium Nitrates and Operating
Ranges of Lubricants Containing Kaolin

T. b., °C.	150	185	200	225 $160-220$
Op. r., °C.	140–160	150–180	155–190	
T. b., °C.	260	300	340	
Op. r., °C.	170–260	170–300	170–340	

It appears to be possible, therefore, to select a mixture of fused salt and non-reacting solid to melt under almost any required condition of high temperature inorganic lubrication. Mixtures of this kind are also useful as reversibly thermoplastic lutes.

B. Lubricants Operating at Temperatures Below Normal.—The same classes of materials in different concentrations also yield lubricants capable of operating at subnormal temperatures. Thus aqueous solutions of metaphosphoric acid boiling at the stated temperatures give approximately the following ranges of temperature for satisfactory lubrication.

¹ Boughton, This Journal, **52**, (a) 2813; (b) 4335 (1930).

TABLE IV

Boiling Temperatures and Operating Ranges for a Solution of Metaphosphoric Acid

Sodium metaphosphate solutions have more limited usefulness as low temperature lubricants. Those boiling at $104-106^{\circ}$ have an operating range of -25 to 0° . More dilute solutions freeze when cooled to a temperature of a few degrees below zero.

Lubricating cream mixtures of salt solutions and finely divided solids may be prepared in the usual way and can then be used at temperatures down to approximately the freezing points of the respective solutions. Thus, a 35% solution of calcium chloride mixed with kaolin may be used as a lubricating paste to temperatures as low as -20° .

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CONSTITUTION OF THE SO-CALLED DITHIOURAZOLE OF MARTIN FREUND. IV. ISOMERISM OF HYDRAZODITHIO-DICARBONAMIDES, IMINO-THIOL-THIOBIAZOLES AND IMINO-THIOBIAZOLONES

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The ring-closing action of various reagents upon hydrazodithiodicarbon-amides and their alkyl and aryl substituted derivatives has been studied by a number of workers, viz., by Freund, Busch, Arndt, Fromm, Guha and their collaborators beginning from the year 1893, and all the possible four types of triazoles and thio-biazole compounds, I, II, III and IV, obtainable from the hydrazides, have been isolated.

A careful survey of the literature reveals the fact that various authors attribute different melting points to one and the same substance. As an example, to imino-thio-tetrahydro-4,1,2-thiodiazole, Freund¹ gives the

¹ Freund, Ber., 28, 946 (1895).