

TABLE II
EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

Experiment	1	2	3	5
Initial concentrations: HClO ₄ , 0.500 M; KBrO ₃ , 0.00500 M				
Init. [H ₂ O ₂], mole/liter × 10 ²	4.86	4.81	4.56	5.63
Init. [NaBr], mole/liter × 10 ³	15.6	7.80	3.90	0
Max. (HBrO), mole/liter × 10 ³	6.75	7.6	5.1	2.1
[Br ⁻], mole/liter at HBrO max. × 10 ³	7.6	4.0	2.6	1.5
Time, min., at HBrO max.	3	4	4	27
V _c for HBrO max. × 10 ⁴	1.7	0.96	0.88	0.39
V _d for HBrO max. × 10 ⁴	2.8	3.2	2.0	0.89
d[O ₂]/dt at HBrO max. × 10 ⁴	2.6	2.8	2.0	1.5

In Table II are given the results of three other sets of experiments. It will be observed from columns 7, 8, 9, of this table, that when the maximum value of hypobromous acid is reached early in the experiment (where the loss in bromine has been negligible and consequently the measurements are reliable) the rate of oxygen evolution can be represented by reaction d. Since it is not necessary to assume oxygen evolution by reaction c, these results seem to indicate that the rate of the reduction of HBrO₂ by Br⁻ in these strongly acid solutions is considerably greater than the rate of reaction c. It appears, therefore, that in solutions in which the bromide ion concentration is at least 2.6×10^{-3} M, reaction c should be replaced by a new reaction $\text{HBrO}_2 + \text{H}^+ + \text{Br}^- = 2 \text{HBrO}$.

In the case of experiment 5, the results are inconclusive. The observed rate is greater than the rate of reaction d, and the indications are that in these concentrations reaction c must be considered also. Unfortunately, however, the accumulated bromine was not appreciable in this experiment until the experiment was well advanced, and conditions were such that the experimental error was relatively high.

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NEW COMPOUNDS

The Acylation of Biphenyl with Dimethylcarbonyl Chloride

Biphenyl has been acylated with dimethylcarbonyl chloride in the Friedel-Crafts manner, without a solvent. Both the mono- and the diamide were obtained.

4-Biphenyl-N,N-dimethylcarboxamide.—Into a 2-l., 3-necked flask equipped with a condenser, mechanical stirrer, thermometer and a Glascol heater were placed 600 g. (3.9 moles) of biphenyl and 325 g. (3 moles) of dimethylcarbonyl chloride.¹ During twenty minutes 400 g. (3 moles) of anhydrous aluminum chloride was added in 50-

(1) Slocombe, Hardy, Saunders and Jenkins, *THIS JOURNAL*, **72**, 1888 (1950).

g. portions, at such a rate that the reaction temperature did not exceed 120°. After all of the aluminum chloride had been added, the temperature was raised slowly to 150–170° and maintained in that range for four and one-half hours. The resulting mixture was cooled and poured onto ice. The unreacted biphenyl (146 g., 24.3% recovery) was removed by distillation, and the residue was recrystallized once from methanol to give 566 g. of amide, m. p. 93–96°, 84% based on dimethylcarbonyl chloride. The amide could also be purified by distillation at 175–180° (1 mm.). After further crystallization from methanol the compound melted at 105.5–106.5° cor.

*Anal.*² Calcd. for C₁₅H₁₅ON: N, 6.22. Found: N, 6.21, 6.36.

The amide was treated for six hours with sodium hydroxide in boiling methanol, and the salt was refluxed for five minutes with 20% sulfuric acid to give biphenyl-4-carboxylic acid, m. p. 226.5–228° cor. Gull and Turner³ reported m. p. 228° for this compound.

Previously described Friedel-Crafts acylations with carbonyl chlorides have been limited to the use of carbonyl chloride itself,⁴ and diphenylcarbonyl chloride.⁵ Other mention was made of the use of disubstituted carbonyl chlorides, but no experimental data were given for such a reaction.⁶

4,4'-Biphenyl-N,N,N',N'-tetramethyldicarboxamide.—The procedure was the same as that used for the monoamide, except that the reaction was carried out for nine hours at 150–180°. The resulting mixture was decomposed by pouring into hot water, and the product was recrystallized from benzene. From 308 g. (2 moles) of biphenyl, 535 g. (5 moles) of dimethylcarbonyl chloride and 668 g. (5 moles) of aluminum chloride there was obtained 350 g. of diamide, m. p. 187–205°, 59% based on biphenyl. Further recrystallizations gave m. p. 217–217.5° cor.

*Anal.*² Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₀O₂N₂: N, 9.45. Found: N, 9.40, 9.45.

When the reaction mixture was decomposed with ice and dried, an infusible, methanol-insoluble product containing 4.3% aluminum and 6.1% chlorine² was obtained. The use of hot water in the decomposition freed the amide of aluminum compounds.

Hydrolysis of the amide with sodium hydroxide in boiling amyl alcohol followed by acidification gave an acid which did not melt or sublime and was insoluble in the usual organic solvents. These characteristics have been reported for biphenyl 4,4'-dicarboxylic acid.⁷

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(3) Gull and Turner, *J. Chem. Soc.*, 491 (1929).

(4) (a) Gattermann, *Ann.*, **244**, 30 (1888). Hopff and Ohlinger, "The Synthesis of Mono- and Dicarboxylic Acids from Aromatic Hydrocarbons and Carbonyl Chloride, with Special Consideration of Polycyclic Hydrocarbons," Off. Pub. Bd. Report P. B. 75249.

(5) Lellmann and Bonhoffer, *Ber.*, **20**, 2118 (1887).

(6) Hopff and Ohlinger, U. S. Patent 2,137,287; *C. A.*, **33**, 1759 (1939).

(7) Doebner, *Ber.*, **9**, 271 (1876).

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Tertiary Acetylenic Amines. II¹

Parcell and Pollard reported a method for the synthesis of tertiary, acetylenic amines by the dehydrohalogenation of halo-alkenylamines with sodium amide in liquid ammonia.² The synthesis of 1-diethylaminopropyne-2 by

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(2) Parcell and Pollard, *THIS JOURNAL*, **72**, 2385 (1950).