Table 1. Effect of Hydrogen Pressure on the Decomposition of Methylcyclopentane.

(key)

1) Expt. No.

- 2) Temp. (°C)
- 3) Working pressure (atm)
- 4) Time (hrs)
- 5) Yield of liquid products (as % of the charge)
- 6) Residue boiling above 80°
- 7) Corrected for 2 g loss on charging the reactor
- 8) Calculated for the upper limit of the yields of

cyclopentane and methylcyclopentane

Table 2 gives data on the effect of temp on methylcyclopentane decomposition. From the data in this Table it is evident that increased temp very greatly accelerates the massive decomposition of methylcyclopentane.

> Table 2. Effect of Temperature on the Decomposition of Methylcyclopentana Under Hydrogen Pressure. (key)

- 1) Expt. No.
- 2) Temp. (°C)
- 3) Working pressure (atm)
- 4) Time (hrs)
- 5) Yield of liquid products (as % of charge)
- 6) Total
- 7) Residue boiling above 80°
- 8) Corrected for 2 g loss on charging the reactor