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1. A large plant for the manufacture of barbituric acid will be built at the Pharma VVB, Chemische Fabrik von Heyden, Radebeul-Dresden, where barbituric acid will be produced from a crotyl base instead of from a diethyl base as heretofore. The cost of manufacture will be much reduced by this process without impairing the efficiency of the product in any way. The subject in view is to flood the world market with these barbiturate tablets which are to be called "Kalypon".
2. A department for the production of salicylic acid has been established in the same plant. This is also a new process which is about fifty percent cheaper than the former one.
3. Also under construction is a caffeine manufacturing division which will be able to undersell the world market price.
4. All three processes are protected by patents in all the important countries. It is unlikely that the barbituric acid plant will be dismantled for rebuilding in Russia, because the process is known to only two or three people and has not been put down in black and white. The chief chemist at the Heyden works, and the developer of the barbituric acid from the crotyl process, is Dr. Zellmann (fnu) who represents the interest of the Fabrik von Heyden. He is regarded as a reactionary.

Enclosure: Reprint of an article entitled "Kalypon, ein neues Schlafmittel der Barbitursäurereihe" which appeared in Das Deutsche Gesundheitswesen. (6 pages) (OSI)

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