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ABSTRACT

Results of Tests on the Victoreen Vibrator Power Supply

and performance curves given.
Description of Unit:

A sealed, compact unit for producing B plus and high voltage for a survey meter. This unit, in conjunction with three 1.5 volt batteries, could replace three 300 volt and one 67 1/2 (or 45 volt) batteries.

Physical Specifications:

Dimensions: $2\frac{3}{4}" x 2-1/8" x 2-7/8"$ (3-5/8" including studs)

Weight: 1 pound

Mounting: Four studs on top and four on bottom

Connection: Four fuseite terminals on bottom

Remarks: The can is soldered closed forming an air tight seal.

Electrical Specifications:

Nominal ratings:

Input + 1.5 to 3.3 volts input d.c.

Output + 900 volts d.c.

+ 55 volts d.c.

Figures one and two show the operation of the unit under varying conditions of load and input voltage.

The unit operates off three 1½ volt batteries and has a drain of 63 milliamps throughout the load range.

Discussion of Results:

This unit is convenient and should be applicable to any application requiring high voltage at low current and a B plus voltage for a trigger pair or amplifier. While this unit was probably designed for GM tube circuits, it could be applied to a photomultiplier. The input requires three 1½ volt batteries, and unless Hallory mercury cells are used, these require a considerable amount of space.

The unit is sealed so that service would be difficult. It could be used as a disposable unit if its price is reasonable.
Fig. 1.

Fig. 2.

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