

GUARANTEE

All products sold by Criterion are fully guaranteed against defects in quality and workmanship. Every item is also guaranteed to be exactly as represented. Rigid inspection requirements at our factory assure you of a guaranteed quality product. Any part found to be defective will be replaced without charge or transportation expense.

YOU MUST BE 100% SATISFIED WITH ANY PRODUCT PURCHASED FROM CRITERION OR WE WILL REFUND YOUR PURCHASE PRICE IN FULL, WITHOUT QUESTIONS.

Criterion has introduced many new optical developments over the many years it has been established and in addition produces many fine instruments of all kinds and sizes.

HOW TO ORDER

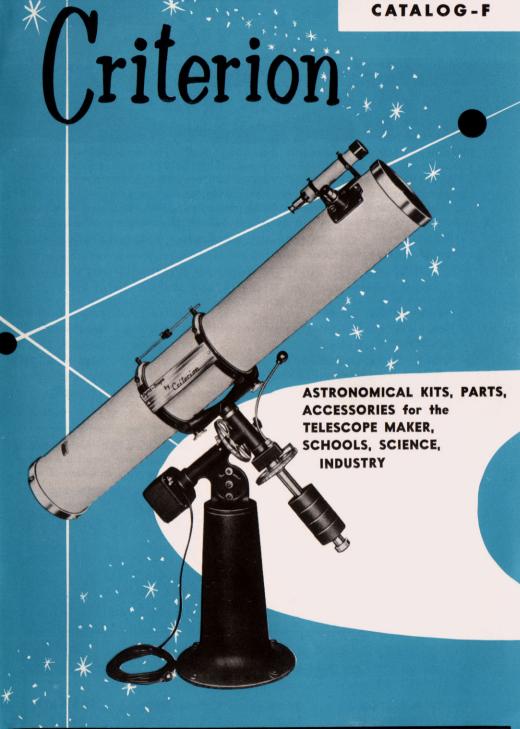
- 1. On all items marked "Postpaid," we pay postage.
- On items marked "F.O.B. Hartford," item is sent by Railway Express, and transportation charges are collected on arrival.
- 3. Send cash, check or money order with enclosed order blank.
- Every effort is made to get your order to you in quickest time possible.

All prices are subject to change without notice.

More than 200,000 satisfied customers have purchased from Criterion and we feel confident you will be satisfied too.

CRITERION MANUFACTURING CO.

331 CHURCH ST., HARTFORD, CONN. 06101



F12 KITS



ALL OPTICS COMPLETELY FINISHED

Citerion F12 kits will serve to introduce you to one of the most fascinating of all hobbies and afford an inexpensive approach to the field of astronomy. All optical parts required to build a powerful reflector have been completely finished. These kits provide an excellent opportunity for classroom experiments, hobbyists, and the beginning amateur. The completed telescopes are of surprising efficiency, and amazingly high power. It is to be emphasized however, that mirrors of this quality and in this price range are not warranted to perform to the limits of a custom built parabolic mirror.

We supply an aluminized mirror, aluminized diagonal, 2-piece eyepiece mount, set Ramsden eyepiece lens, extra lens, rings and complete set of instructions.

| 3" Plate Kit 39" F.L. Cat. #B3 | | | | | | | | | | | • | Postpaid | \$ 9.95 |
|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|----------|---------|
| 4" Plate Kit 48" F.L. Cat. #B4 | | | | | | | | | | | | Postpaid | 12.75 |
| 5" Plate Kit 60" F.L. Cat. #B5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6" Pyrex Kit 72" F.L. Cat. #B6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

F12 SPECIAL KITS

In addition to all the parts in the F12 kits above, we include a cast metal eyepiece mount and diagonal holder, focusing tube, and our complete cast aluminum mirror mount. You then have all the parts for complete telescope with exception of main tube and tripod. Order by number.

| 3" Plate F12 Special Cat. # BS3 | | | | | | | | | | ٠ | | | \$14.75 |
|---------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|---|---------|
| 4" Plate F12 Special Cat. #BS4. | | | | | | | | | | | | | 18.50 |
| 5" Plate F12 Special Cat. #BS5. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6" Pyrex F12 Special Cat. #BS6 | ٠ | | | | | | | | | | | • | 28.00 |

COMPLETE GROUND & POLISHED MIRRORS

Since some amateurs want only the mirror from the F12 kits, prices of mirrors alone are given below. They are aluminized, silicon monoxide overcoated.

| 3" Plate #BG3 | \$9.95 | 5" Plate #BG5 | \$15.90 |
|---------------|--------|---------------|---------|
| 4" Plate #BG4 | | 6" Pyrex #BG6 | 19.95 |

MIRROR MAKERS KIT

GRIND YOUR OWN MIRROR



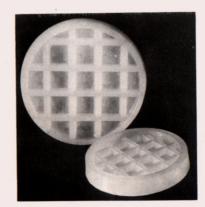
All the materials called for in *Mechanix Illustrated* plans for building a telescope are contained in these kits. These plans can be obtained by writing to Criterion, Dept. MP, for only \$2.00 postpaid.

Criterion Mirror Makers Kits contain sufficient materials to complete the task of grinding your own mirror complete at a minimum of cost. If properly finished, all the long hours of work are rewarded when you train your own creation on the stars. The first look truly is a thrill of a lifetime.

These kits contain Pyrex mirror blank, plate glass "tool," completely finished-front surface aluminized diagonal, 5 grades of carborundum, package of optical rouge and finishing powder, 1 bar of pitch and an inspection lens.

| Cat. # MG40 | 4" Pyrex Kit | \$ 7.00 |
|--------------|--|---------|
| Cat. # MG60 | 6" Pyrex Kit (to make Mechanix Illustrated scope). | 12.00 |
| Cat. # MG80 | 8" Pyrex Kit (transport charges collect) | |
| Cat. # MG110 | 10" Kit (transport charges collect) | |
| Cat. # MG112 | 12" Kit (transport charges collect) | 59.00 |

NOW - A REVOLUTIONARY METHOD FOR MAKING PITCH LAPS! PATENT PENDING



Saves Hours — Better Results

Not a mat or grid but a precision mold made on costly accurate dies. Pour in pitch to cover facets, set tool in mold. Tool will center itself. After cooling, peel off mold, hot press mirror into pitch lap and start polishing. No trimming. Whole operation takes about 45 minutes. Save 2 hours on a 4" mirror, 4 hours on a 6", and as much as 5 hours on an 8". Can be reused indefinitely, won't wear out, shrink, or tear. Flexible molds are 1" thick, made of specially formulated material that withstands 350° heat. Veteran mirror makers marvel at the eliminated operations. You'll get a better polished surface with the evenly spaced deep grooves. The cost of these molds is well worth the time saved on only one mirror.

| No. K4702 for 4", 41/4" mirrors | \$3.95 ppd |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| No. K4703 for 6" mirrors | \$5.95 ppd |
| No. K4704 for 8" mirrors | |
| No. K4705 for 10" mirrors | \$7.95 ppd |
| No. K4706 for 121/2" mirrors | \$9.00 ppd |

ABRASIVES AND POLISHES

Our abrasives and polishes are compounded of only the finest ingredients, and are the same dependable materials supplied to the leading optical manufacturers. Guaranteed to be true to grain size and free from contamination assuring fine finishes. Packed in shaker top containers under laboratory clean conditions. "A" Packs have about double the requirements for a 6 inch mirror and enough for an 8 inch to 12-1/2 inch mirror. "B" Packs are bulk packed and are a saving for group and club purchasers, are shipped by Express F.O.B. Hartford,

| Description | "A"Pack | Price | "B"Pack | Price |
|--------------------|-----------|--------|---------|--------|
| #80 Carbo undum | 16 oz. | \$1.25 | 5 lbs | \$5.00 |
| #120 Carborundum | 60z. | .70 | 1 lb. | 1.50 |
| #220 Alundum | 4 oz, | .75 | 1 lb. | 2.50 |
| #320 Alundum | 3 oz. | .75 | 1 lb. | 3.00 |
| #400 Alundum | 3 oz. | .75 | 1 lb. | 3.10 |
| #600 Alundum | 2 oz. | .60 | 1 lb. | 3.75 |
| #305 Emery | 2 oz. | .60 | 1 Lb. | 3.75 |
| Red Jewelers Rouge | 8 oz. | 1.00 | 1 lb. | 1.85 |
| Cerium Oxide | 4 oz. | 1.50 | 1 lb. | 4.50 |
| Barnesite | 4 oz. | 1.60 | 1 lb. | 4.60 |
| Tempered Pitch 1/ | 2 lb. bar | .50 | 5 lbs. | 4.20 |

Prices include postage on all the above.

Cat # PAll... "A" Pack complete \$8.95 shipped by Express F.O.B. Hartford,

PYREX MIRROR BLANKS & PLATE GLASS TOOLS

Mirror blanks are standard pyrex, and our Plate XX tools give maximum uniformity and rigidity while grinding, Insist on Criterion XX Plate tools,

| PYREX MIRROR | BLANKS | PLATE GLASS TOO | LS |
|-----------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
| Dia, Thick, | Price | Dia, Thickness | Price |
| 4" X 5/8" | \$2.75 | 4" X 1/2" | \$2.95 |
| 4 1/4" X 3/4" | 2.75 | 4 1/4" X 3/4" | 3.25 |
| 6 " X 1" | 4.95 | 6" X 3/4" | 5.20 |
| 8" X 1 3/8" | 8.50* | 8" X 1" | 8.95* |
| 10" X1 3/4" | 17.25* | 10" X 1" | 14.95 * |
| 12 1/2 X 2 1/8" | 30.00* | 12 1/2" X 1" | 18.95 * |
| 16" (110 lbs.) | 165.00* | | |

* Items marked with (*) are shipped by Express F.O.B. Hartford, Conn. All other items shipped postpaid. 12-1/2" Pyrex., 27 lbs. 16" Pyrex.. 110 lbs. 12-1/2" Plate .. 16 lbs.

ALUMINIZING

Vacuum chamber process, producing exceptional hardness and high reflectivity. Prices include return postage and insurance on mirrors to 6" 8" 10" 12 inch mirrors returned by Railway Express collect. Please be sure to pack mirror very carefully and insure when shipping. Allow two weeks for delivery.

| 4" | 4-1/4" | 6" | . 8" | 10" | 12-1/2" |
|-----------|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| \$7.00 | \$8.00 | \$9.95 | \$14.95* | * \$26.00* | \$33.00* |
| * Items m | narked with (| *) are ship | ped by Expr | ess F.O.B. H | Hartford, Conn. |

CRICO GRADE A KITS

You can build a better reflecting telescope with Crico Grade A kits because the optics are of superior quality. Such a telescope is guaranteed to be capable of brilliant optical performance when properly assembled. The mirrors in these kits are hand corrected to more exacting limits than the F12 mirrors and the final results are worthy of the time and effort put into building the telescope. All optical parts are completely finished, tested, and ready for mounting.

Kits contain: (1) Aluminized, overcoated main mirror, (2) Aluminized diagonal mirror, (3) Two planoconvex lenses mounted in tube for Ramsden eyepiece use (4) Aluminum tube eyepiece holder, (5) extra lens rings, (6) Complete set of instructions to build the telescope.

| Cat.# | Description | Price |
|-------|--------------------------|-------|
| A3 | 3" kit, 36" focal length | 18.00 |
| A4 | 4" kit, 47" focal length | 24.00 |
| A6 | 6" kit, 72" focal length | 34.00 |

The above kits can also be supplied, in addition, with (1) cast metal eyepiece mount and diagonal holder, (2) focussing tube, (3) aluminum mirror mount. With these additional parts, you then have all the parts for a complete telescope with exception of main tube and tripod.

| Cat# | Description | Price |
|------|---------------------------------------|-------|
| AK#3 | 3" kit, Grade A with additional parts | 23.00 |
| AK#4 | 4" kit, Grade A with additional parts | 29.00 |
| AK#6 | 6! kit, Grade A with additional parts | 39.00 |

GRADE A COMPLETED SPHERICAL MIRRORS

Excellent results guaranteed with these first quality spherical mirrors. Hand corrected to eliminate zones and aberrations and finished to Criterion's exacting standards. Aluminized and overcoated with zircon quartz. Telescopes using these mirrors are capable of excellent definition and extreme power. Each and every mirror is rigidly tested on Foucalt, Ronchi, and final definition tests to guarantee Dawes limit for its size and to be the finest low cost spherical obtainable at any price. Built to true scientific standards.

| Cat.# | Description | Price |
|-------|---------------------------------|-------|
| мз | 3 Inch Clear Diameter, 36" F.L. | 14.95 |
| M4 | 4 Inch Clear Diameter, 47" F.L. | 18.50 |
| М6 | 6 Inch Clear Diameter, 72" F.L. | 26.95 |

FINDER TELESCOPE

A genuine good quality 4X finder ready to mount and completely assembled. Has fine cross hairs and precision ground lenses. Wide field of view. Made of aluminum, 3-1/2" long, 20MM O.D. All elements threaded with focusing knurled eyepiece. Black wrinkle finish, A real value for the amateur telescope builder.



No.F410 \$5.95 Postpaid Special

CUSTOM MADE PARABOLIC MIRRORS



BETTER THAN 1/10 WAVE

Without question, the most important part of a reflecting telescope is the highly precise mirror. Final correction of the best mirrors lie in their parabolization. For the most effective performance, the mirror must be the result of highly skilled hands and delicate scientific instruments. It takes great skill to properly parabolize a fine mirror. This operation, done meticulously by hand corrects an otherwise spherically polished surface for spherical aberration and focuses all rays to a point so that all the light

is used. It is of further importance when you realize that the mirror must be "over parabolized" or "under parabolized" to allow for variations in temperature. It is necessary too that there be no internal stress or strain within the glass and so the best glass must be used.

The Criterion Custom line of mirrors are of the highest quality, completely finished, corrected, aluminized and zircon quartz overlaid. Each mirror is guaranteed to perform to the limit of resolution for its size. All are made of Pyrex, in the correct thickness, parabolized by craftsmen and tested by Ronchi and Foucalt tests as well as diffraction and final resolution tests. Each is guaranteed unconditionally.

| No. AA440 | 4" Pyrex, FL approx. 40" \$ 29.00 |
|------------|-----------------------------------|
| No. AA68 | 6" Pyrex, f8 59.00 |
| No. AA88 | 8" Pyrex, f8 89.00 |
| No. AA108 | 10" Pyrex, f8 169.00 |
| No. AA107 | 10" Pyrex, f7 175.00 |
| No. AA1258 | 121/2" Pyrex, f8 |
| No. AA1257 | 121/2" Pyrex, f7 275.00 |
| | 121/2" Pyrex, f6 |

HERE IS WHAT OUR CUSTOMERS SAY!

The 8" mirror is truly superb. Its resolving power exceeds the Dawes limit! Excellent photographic results. I am able to outperform larger instruments. J.C.C. Minneapolis, Minn.

Our telescope with the 6" Criterion mirror performs beyond our expectations. We recommend Criterion to anyone wanting the finest optics available. R.D.M. Baltimore, Md.

After I received the Criterion AA 6" mirror, I tested it very carefully. The figure was perfect, and far better than you claim. The diagonal was the same. How you do it is beyond me. Enclosed is check for a 10" mirror . . . B.R.F. Los Angeles, Calit.

Being a perfectionist, I had tried mirrors from others even at higher prices. I was surprised and delighted when the Criterion 8" mirror exceeded the performance expected. Keep up your high standards. . . . G.R.P. Houston, Texas.

This Criterion mirror constantly impresses everyone with its superb resolution. I believe there is none of higher precision. Everything from Criterion has been of highest professional quality.

L.J.C. Cleveland, Ohio.

Criterion

REFLECTING TELESCOPE MIRROR MOUNTS

The mounting of your mirror to the tube is of extreme importance. Unless it is properly done, an otherwise perfect picture can be ruined. The mirror must be mounted so that it is absolutely centered in your tube, free of vibration, and able to hold alignment once set. Most important, it must be held in such a manner that flexure of the highly sensitive mirror face does not develop. Criterion mounts are designed to eliminate all these difficulties. Criterion mirror mounts are made of cast aluminum with brass mounting and adjusting screws. One section

fits to the tube and the other section holds the very important mirror. Alignment is accomplished by three spring loaded knurled adjusting nuts. Outer cell is designed to fit into your tube or over it, as sufficient space is left between the two cells. Cast on our own modern high speed production equipment we are able to offer them at the lowest prices ever. All drilled and tapped, complete with holding clamps, screws, springs, nuts, etc. ready for use. Order by your mirror size.

Specify Series"A" When Ordering



| | SH | IPP | ED | PO | STI | PAI | D |
|-----|----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|---------|
| 3" | | | | | | | \$ 3.00 |
| 4" | | | | | | | 3.50 |
| 5" | | | | | | | 4.00 |
| 6" | | | | | | | 6.50 |
| 8" | | | | | | | 18.50 |
| 10" | | | | | | | 23.50 |

MAIN TUBES

In selecting the main tube for your telescope, remember that it must hold all your parts in permanent alignment with each other. Sectional tubes or 2 part tubes, one sliding into the other, are definitely not advisable as there will be alignment difficulties as well as loss of concentricity between the sections. Sound optical practice calls for a single piece tube. The material used should be of an insulating nature, yet unaffected by weather conditions as alignment would be lost as the material changed.

After much experiment and many years of successful use in the field, we have selected a special bakelite type material that meets all these qualifications. Unlike soft materials, it is machineable so that your parts can be fitted with assurance they will stay in position permanently.

NOW IN STOCK

Special for 6 Inch f8 telescopes. 50"long tube, 7 1/4" ID, 1/8"wall. Natural finish. For perfect job.

No.654...\$18.50 FOB Hartford

| AVAILABLE IN | N SIZE | S TO | FIT BY MII | CRITERION RROR SIZE |
|--------------|---------|-------|---------------|------------------------|
| 3"-38" | long | 1/8" | wall | \$4.00 |
| 4"-46" | long | 1/8" | wall | 8.00 |
| 5"-58" | long | 1/8" | wall | 14.75 |
| 6"-75" | | | | |
| Shipped by I | Express | F.O.B | . Hartfe | ord, Conn. |

Criterion FOUR VANE DIAGONAL HOLDERS



Criterion 4 vane diagonal mountings are fully adjustable and will hold elliptical diagonals in perfect alignment. Made of brass and chemically blackened. A narrow rim on cell holds the flat securely, without strain. Precision adjusting screws and plate next to cell enable you to precisely center the flat in the tube and vary its angle so that primary and secondary can be set in perfect alignment. The four vanes are very thin (.025) to cut down diffraction, with special end studs for easy and accurate mounting. A worthy mounting for the finest optic. You'll realize maximum performance from your telescope because the critical secondary alignment can be made with micrometric accuracy and is locked in that position. These high precision supports are of tried and proven professional design and are carefully mastercrafted to close tolerances, Supports for secondaries of 2" minor axis up are equipped with counterbalances to reduce the torque from the vanes in off-zenith pos-

Order by minor axis size of your elliptical.

| Cat. No. | Minor Axis Size | To Fit Tube O.D. | Price |
|----------|-----------------|-------------------|---------|
| S1 | 1.25" | 6-1/2" to 7-1/2" | \$10.95 |
| S2 | 1.30" | 6-1/2" to 7-1/2" | 10, 95 |
| S3 | 1.50" | 8-1/2 "to 9-1/2" | 12.95 |
| A S4 | 1.75" | 9-1/2" to 10-1/2" | 15.00 |
| S5 | 2.00" | 11" to 11-1/2" | 17.95 |
| S6 | 2.50" | Specify tube i.d. | 22.00 |
| S7 | 2.61" | Specify tube i.d. | 25.00 |
| S8 | 3.00" | Specify tube i.d. | 27.50 |

Criterion CIRCULAR SECONDARY SUPPORTS

Our special Circular Secondary Supports eliminate the diffraction "spikes" caused by spider vanes without reducing light, Identical to the above holders in cell construction but have circular supporting rings instead of the conventional four vanes. Made of brass chemically blackened and are extremely rigid. Designed to fit only tube sizes listed and standard Criterion tubes. Not recommended for use in semi-soft tubes such as fiberglas or cardboard and should be used only in tubes of rigid composition such as bakelite, insulated metal, etc. which do not warp under severe moisture conditions and are concentric. Available in the following sizes only.

| at, No. | Minor Axis Size | To Fit Tube I.D. | Price |
|---------|-----------------|------------------|-------|
| CS-1 | 1.25" | 7-1/4" | 16.00 |
| CS-2 | 1.30" | 7-1/4" | 16.00 |
| CS-3 | 1.50" | 9-1/4" | 17.50 |
| CS-5 | 2,00" | 11-1/4" | 28,00 |



All supports prices are postpaid. Shipped parcel post.

Criterion for Professional Accessories

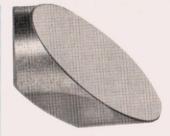
Criterion EXTRA FINE ELLIPTICAL DIAGONALS

These flats are Criterion superfine quality. Maximum resolution is achieved when a fine main mirror of excellent figure is teamed with a secondary mirror of equal or better quality and of proper size. A flat of questionable quality can impair resolution, cause aberrations, and introduce other faults. Criterion secondary mirrors are delicately corrected to the most rigid requirements and are used in fine professional instruments. They are elliptical in shape, so that when inclined at 45 degrees, they give a circular appearance, reflect more light, shade a smaller area of the primary mirror, and cause less diffraction than prisms or square flats.

These precision elliptical diagonals are available in fused quartz as well as in Pyrex. The Clear Fused Quartz diagonals are made plane to 1/20 wave and the Pyrex are better than 1/8 wave. Surface planeness is checked with a Master Flat certified by the National Bureau Of Standards. Ground to true ellipses to fit round tubing cut off at 45 degrees or for mounting in our 4 vane and circular spiders. Made in correct thickness to eliminate surface flexure and guaranteed perfect over the entire illuminating area complete to the very edge.

All are extra thick (about , 40) for greatest rigidity, aluminized and overcoated.

| Si | ze | For use with | Price | Price |
|-------|------|--------------|---------|---------|
| Minor | Axis | a mirror of | Pyrex | Quartz |
| 1,25 | inch | 6" | \$10.95 | \$16.95 |
| 1.30 | inch | 6" | 10.95 | 16.95 |
| 1.50 | inch | 8" | 16.50 | 23.50 |
| 1.75 | inch | 10" | 24.75 | 29.95 |
| 2.00 | inch | 10" | 25.95 | 34.00 |
| 2,50 | inch | 12 1/2" | 45.00 | |
| 2.61 | inch | 12 1/2" | 49.95 | |
| 3.00 | inch | 16" | 79.95 | |



Rectangular flat, pyrex, 1/8 wave, for 4", 4 1/4" mirrors available ... \$7.50 All prices postpaid. Carefully packed and sent by First Class Mail.

HEAVY DUTY TRIPOD



This heavy duty adjustable tripod answers your problems of a sturdy support for your telescope. Ruggedly built, and reinforced with solid brass fittings and safety stops, it will support reflectors up to 12 inches. 500 lbs. capacity. A machined precision brass pan head of 5½" diameter, equipped with center adjustment for attaching and detaching equatorial mount is provided.

Height is adjustable, legs riding in dovetailed ways. When fully open it is 39½" high; closed 21" high. Legs fold in for easy carrying.

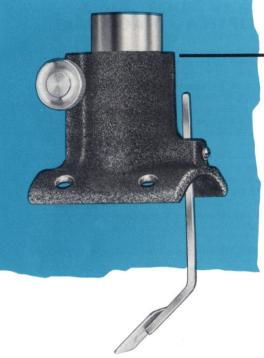
Shipped by express 9 lbs.,

F.O.B., Hartford, Conn.

No. 7008 Only \$14.95

MAIN TUBES

Phenolic composition, bakelite, natural ground finish, fit Criterion cells, #C-802 For 8" mirror, 9 1/2" O.D.,.125 wall, 62" long---\$70. f.o.b. #C-100 For 10" mirror, 11-1/2" OD, .125 wall, 78"long---\$90. f.o.b. #C-125 For 12-1/2" mirror, 14-1/4"OD,.135 wall, 90"long-\$140. f.o.b.



RACK and PINION EYEPIECE MOUNT

adjustable for 3" to 8" scopes.

An exclusive CRITERION design. Scientifically correct. Rack and pinion focus adds the finishing touch to a professional instrument. Makes focusing 75% easier and enables you to get the best adjustment. Takes standard 11/4" eyepieces. More focusing travel than ever before—a full 31/2 inches of travel which is sufficient to accommodate almost any type of eyepiece, both positive and negative. Enables you, too, to focus on nearby objects as well as astronomical objects! Has two knurled focusing knobs with variable tension and positioned properly so that they are easily found and operated in the dark

from either side of the scope. Sliding extension tube. Solid cast metal, with precision machined movements. The tube hole has been precisely bored and finish reamed to close tolerance. The sliding tube is brass and has likewise been centerless ground to close tolerance so that there is no annoying looseness to destroy your picture at this very important point. This close tolerance also insures you of velvet smooth action. Base of mount aligns itself to any type tube. Four mounting holes, nuts and bolts included.

MODEL U-3-8 \$9.95 Postpaid

RACK and PINION EYEPIECE MOUNT U-7



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Custom made for 7" to 7 1/2" diameter tubes. Bottom contour matches the curve of tube for a smart professional looking job. Also a good fit on larger tubes. Black wrinkle finish, double draw brass tubes for standard 1 1/4" eyepieces. Rack and pinion with double knurled focusing wheels. Smoothest action possible. Precision machined to close tolerance to insure proper centering over the light path. The U7 is the natural favorite of owners of the best home built reflectors. Use with any of our spiders or single square rod diagonal holder furnished for \$1. extra. Unconditionally guaranteed in every respect.

Catalog #U-7 \$11.50 Postpoid
Cat. #712 Diagonal holder \$1,00

Criterion for Professional Accessories

CRITERION EQUATORIAL MOUNTS



PORTABLE-RUGGED

Use for reflectors or refractors. Takes up to 6" reflector and 3" refractor. Made of cast iron with precision fit polar and declination axis. Adjustable latitude. Can also be set for altazimuth use as well as equatorial. Black wrinkle finish. You can also add electric drive ED460 or setting circles. Supplied with or without chromed steel folding legs 36" long. Also fits 3" pipe.

Model K2 Head complete (less legs) \$29.95

Model K2 complete with steel legs \$35.95

Electric drive ED460 \$34.95; Circles \$19.95 pr.

EXPRESS CHARGES COLLECT



HEAVY DUTY PORTABLE

Really rugged portable equatorial. Easily carries 6 and 8 inch reflectors. Fine balance and precision machined polar and declination axis insure steady observing. Outriggers are 16" long for good support. 4" dia. steel pier. Comes apart easily. Aluminum head and legs. Black wrinkle finish with grey pier. Flat saddle. Adjustable latitude and azimuth. Stands 36" high. Weight 48 lbs. Shipped express charges collect. Can also be ordered with electric drive setting circles, and rings #R725 (below.)



CAST ALUMINUM RINGS

Solid cast aluminum rings to hold 7½" OD tubes. Hinged with adjuster. Attach to #682 Mount above. Felt lined.

No. R725 \$22.50 pr. postpaid No. R475 (4¾" ID) 19.50 pr. postpaid No. R925 (9½" ID) 29.95 pr. postpaid



SETTING CIRCLES

These fit No. K2 and No. 682 mounts and mounts with $\frac{5}{6}$ " or 1" shafts. RA fits a $1\frac{5}{6}$ " housing. 3" diameter. Choice aluminum. Fine engraved markings for RA and DEC readings. Easy to install. Complete with pointers.

CRITERION MFG. CO.

OBSERVATORY TYPE EQUATORIAL MOUNT



ADVANCED DESIGN - PRECISION ENGINEERED EXTRA HEAVY DUTY MODEL NO. K6

Nothing will enhance the performance of a fine telescope as much as a rock-steady but smooth-running mount. Maximum stability is assured with the massive K6 Equatorial Head. Designed and precision built to eliminate every last bit of vibration. Balanced to insure greatest stability with rigid support of 6" thru 12" reflectors. Polar axis rides in precision ground needle roller bearings assuring movements that are incredibly smooth. 1½" diameter solid steel ground shafts held to extremely close tolerance. Clamps on both axis. Polar axis 9" long, saddle 12" long. Adjustable latitude with three bolts, reinforced construction. 7" diameter base. Counterweight. Finished in handsome baked black wrinkle. Shipping weight 80 lbs. Express charges collect. Order with either aluminum cast legs, wooden legs, or special outrigger mount #3618 illustrated.

| Model K6 Heavy Duty Equatorial Head | \$149.00 |
|--|----------|
| No. CM3W (Set of 3 wooden legs) | 16.50 |
| No. CM3A (Set of 3 aluminum cast legs) | 25.50 |
| No. 3618 (pier as illustrated less levelers) | 79.00 |
| No. 3825 Levelers (3) for pier No. 3618 | 34.00 |
| Electric Drive No. CED72 | 95.00 |
| 7" diameter setting circles No. SC-7201 | 60.00 |
| Manual slow motion Polar Axis No. SM 7202 | 49.00 |
| Manual slow motion Dec. Axis No. SM 7203 | 49.00 |

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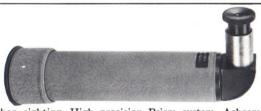
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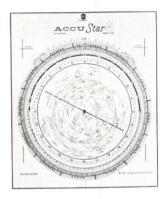
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