

■ **BIG SPLASH** On Aug. 31, *Titanic* will surface yet again—this time on DVD. According to *Billboard*, Paramount is shipping around 2 million copies of **James Cameron's** Oscar winner to stores—that's about 10 times the number of most major DVD releases. (The studio wouldn't confirm the release figure.) An astonishing 30 million video copies have already been shipped; will demand really be that great? "It's still an event title," says **John Thrasher**, sales VP for Tower Video. "There's a lot of anticipation for it.... It's our single biggest order to date." One note of warning for completists: Over the years, Cameron has released six versions of *Terminator 2: Judgment Day* on laserdisc, including an elaborate boxed set stuffed with extras. It's almost certain this wide-screen, just-the-film *Titanic* DVD will be only the first of many. —*Michael Giltz*

