

# You don't have to be a perfectionist to use the perfectionist's tape.

If you're like most people, you love music but you don't want to get too involved with the technical end of sound reproduction. And you may have a friend who is really into hi fi, your trusted adviser on such matters.

Audio perfectionists like your friend have made TDK SA the number oneselling high bias cassette in America. If you ask him, he'll tell you that SA is the high bias reference standard; most quality manufacturers won't let a deck leave the factory unless it's © 1979 TDK Electronics

been tested and set up to sound its best with SA. He'll tell you that TDK cassettes are backed by hi fi's original full lifetime warranty.\*

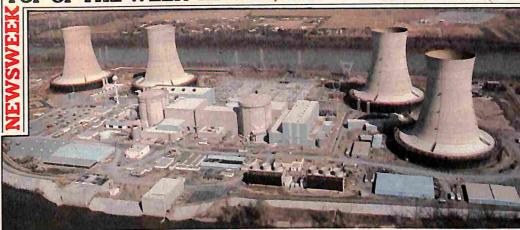
Then he'll go into a long-winded speech about super-precision mechanisms, cobalt-adsorbed gamma-ferric oxide formulations, and the like. Don't worry if you don't understand everything he's talking about. Just record your favorite music on an SA cassette and see if it doesn't sound better than the cassette you're now using.

Then you will know why more perfectionists use SA than any other tape. TDK Electronics Corp., Garden City, NY 11530.

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## TOP OF THE WEEK APRIL 9, 1979



### THE NUCLEAR ACCIDENT AT THREE MILE ISLAND

It was the worst commercial nuclear accident in syndrome" meltdown of the reactor core. ca U.S. history—a leak of radioactive steam from the Three Mile Island power station near Harrisburg, when oil is getting more expensive and scarce. Ar Pa. The radiation spread 20 miles into the Pennsylvania countryside. Pregnant women and pre- about the dangers of low-level radiationschool children within 5 miles were evacuated from their homes and everybody else was advised to remain indoors. For a few hours, Gov. Richard member NEWSWEEK team headed by John Dotso Thornburgh considered ordering a mass evacua- was on scene within hours of the accident. (Cov tion. The accident, precariously close to a "China photograph by Wally McNamee-Newsween

doubt on the future of nuclear power (page 33) ju it showed once again how little scientists know particularly the possibility that even small dos can eventually cause cancer (page 40). A nin



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been brought down in a no-confidence vote. If Conservative Party leader Margaret Thatcher (below) wins the election in May, she will become the first woman Prime Minister in British history. PAGE 51



# EGYPT AND ISRAEL WAGE PEACE

Quoting from the Prophet Isaiah—"And they shall beat the swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks" Jimmy Carter, Anwar Sadat and Menachem Begin sat at a table of the White House lawn last week and signed a treaty ending 30 year of war between Egypt and Israel. The three leaders then exchange a triumphant handclasp, and later celebrated at a lavish, outdo state dinner attended by a celebrity-packed guest list of 1,30 people. But lasting peace in the Middle East still faced a long ar uphill struggle. Most of the Arab world reacted to the treaty wi hostility, and Arab ministers meeting in Baghdad imposed, paper at least, a total economic and diplomatic boycott of Egyp PAGE 46

# X CARS

The X cars are here—and they are the biggest gamble in General Motors history. With the Pontiac Phoenix (right) and three others, GM takes aim at imports.

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