

But, will it ever hit the charts?

HESSTON, Kan. — A new record album dedicated to farmers and ranchers, done by country and western artist Red Steagall and his band, the Coleman County Cowboys, is now available through Hesston farm equipment dealers.

The promotion of the "It's Our Life" album is being done by Hesston Corporation exclusively through the company and its dealer organization. The album carries a Hesston Productions label and is available as a 33-1/3 LP record or cassette for a suggested retail price of \$6.00 each at Hesston farm equipment dealers.

John Bomgardner, director of special programs for Hesston, believes this is the first time

anyone has ever produced such an album.

"There are albums on the market with songs about cowboys, truck drivers and other occupations, so we wanted one especially for farm and ranch families. There are no sales pitches or gimmicks on the album. We just want to pay tribute and say thank you to the farm community," he said.

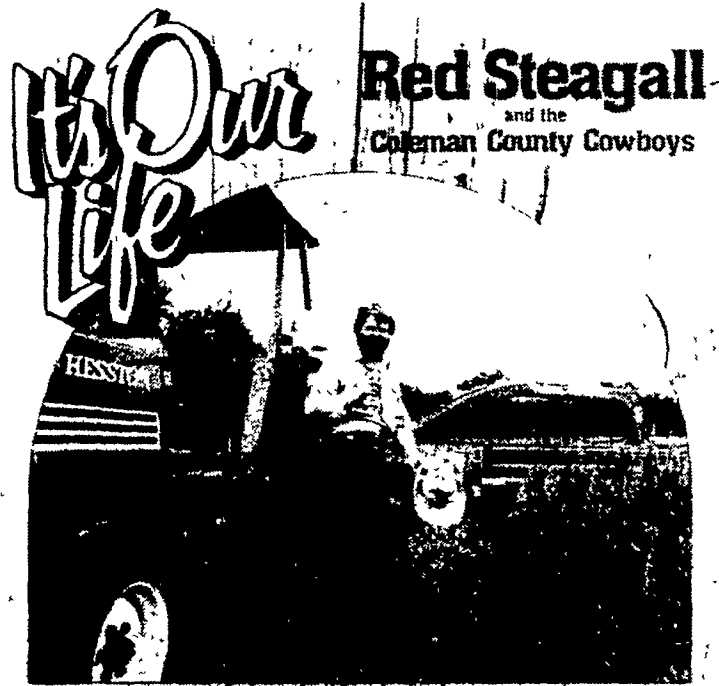
There are songs on the album for everyone in the North American farm family, from youngsters to grandparents. It has 10 songs and readings. Eight of the tunes are original releases. Included are "My America," a patriotic ballad; "The Silent Partner," a tribute to the farm wife; "Saw, Fiddle,

Saw," a barn dance; "Me & Luther Wilson," bluegrass gospel; and "I'm Here To Help," a government satire.

Side Two has "The Apple of Her Eye," in praise of grandmothers; "Ol' Helen," the good ole boys song; "A Time to Stay, A Time to Go," about leaving the farm; and "Preacher and The Bear," a fun song for youngsters.

The songs were written or adapted by Steagall, who was raised on a farm in West Texas, and Baxter Black, a veterinarian from Denver, Colorado. Bomgardner wrote the closing tribute of "It's Our Life."

Steagall is under contract to Hesston for television commercials and does commentary during the telecast of the National Finals Rodeo in December, sponsored by Hesston and Hesston dealers.



A Tribute to North American Farmers & Ranchers

Avian flu meeting Aug. 19

LANCASTER — A meeting on "Controlling Avian Influenza" will be held on Friday, August 19, at 8 p.m. at the Farm & Home Center Auditorium.

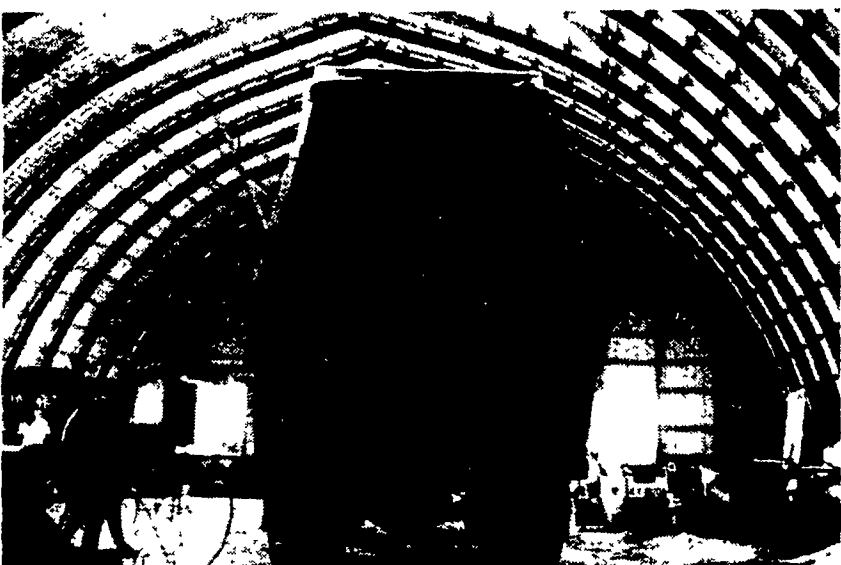
Speakers will be Dr. Robert Eckrode, — Director of the New Bolton Diagnostic Lab University of Pennsylvania, and Dr. Dwight Schwartz, — Extension Poultry Veterinarian at Penn State.



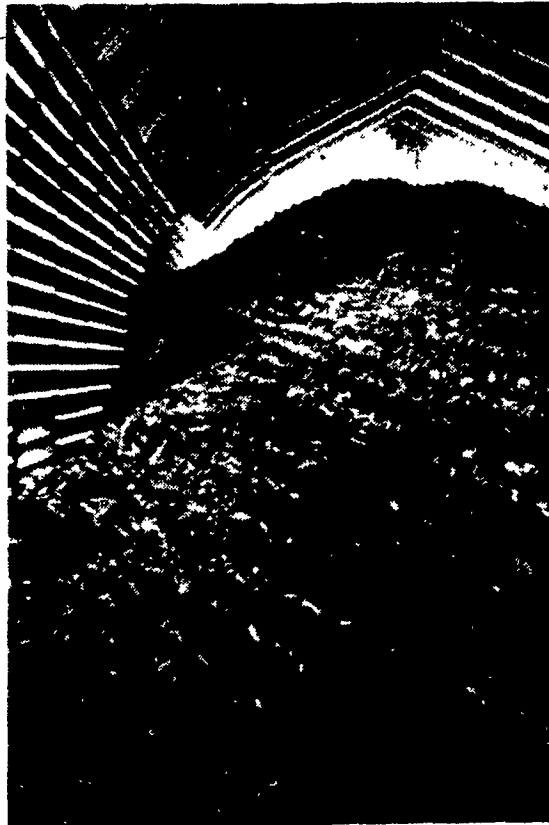
Two hundred empty gallon milk jugs cover the new Lehigh Valley Farms logo on the Baltimore milk plant in unveiling ceremony. API president Bob Barry, right, is commended by Mayor William Donald Schaefer for maintaining the milk processing plant as a positive symbol in the city's recession-wracked economy. The plant was originally built by Sealtest in 1965.



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