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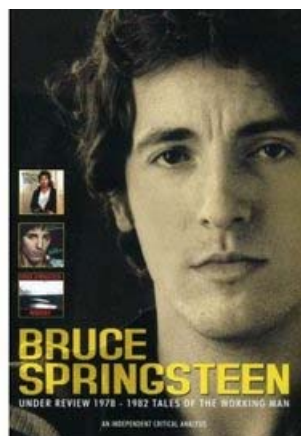
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## Bruce Springsteen - Tales Of The Working Man: Under Review 1978 - 1982 (MVD)

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In all the hype about "The Boss" and criticism of his politics, along with his current treatment of legendary status without explanation, the most vital part of Bruce Springsteen's career is getting lost in the shuffle. **Bruce Springsteen - Tales Of The Working Man: Under Review 1978 - 1982** covers his most honest, paired-down albums and ones for which many fans still do not get: **Darkness On The Edge Of Town**, **The River** and **Nebraska**.

Usually, this series is good at hitting the nail on the head about its music subject, but the 81 minutes here dance around the material and the editing of material is only hinders the lack of focus throughout. Despite some people here I really respect, this never gels and leaves these important albums still not very delved into. Nevertheless, the rare footage of Springsteen will make fans happy, but these albums badly need a second look as maybe the most important part of his legacy.

The 1.33 X 1 image has some letterboxed footage, but is full screen otherwise and not bad, sourced from analog PAL video. The Dolby Digital 2.0 is somewhat stereo with more talking than any music. Extras include Larry David Smith's *Phases Of Springsteen* and contributor bios with illustrations.

- Nicholas Sheffo

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