

In the South there are four resident professional theaters in four cities with a total population of 1.8 million (Louisville, Memphis, Houston, and Abingdon).

In the Midwest there are five resident professional theaters in four cities with a total population of 2.2 million (Ann Arbor, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, and two in Cleveland).

In the West there are six resident professional theaters in six cities with a total population of 4.9 million (Phoenix, Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco, Stanford, and Seattle).

V. SUMMER AND WINTER STOCK THEATERS

There are 150 professional summer stock theaters serving 126 cities with a total population of 18 million, and 56 professional winter stock theaters serving 48 cities with a total population of 15 million. The Rockefeller Panel report¹², indicates a "continuing postwar increase" in the number of professional summer stock companies from 130 in 1948 to 151 in 1964. There are 50 nonprofessional summer stock theaters serving 50 cities with a total population of 9 million.

The following information was obtained from Actors' Equity Association and "Summer Theaters," a directory published in 1966 by Leo Shull Publications:

Number of theaters.—There are currently 150 professional (operating with union contracts) and at least 50 nonprofessional (operating without union contracts) summer stock theaters and 56 professional winter stock theaters in the United States.

Seating capacity.—Professional summer stock theaters seat from 178 to 4,407 persons. Their average seating capacity is 450. Nonprofessional summer stock theaters seat from 100 to 750 persons. Their average seating capacity is 275.

Regional breakdown.—The Northeast has more summer stock theaters than the other three regions combined.

Professional summer stock.—The 150 professional summer stock theaters in the United States serve 126 cities with a total population of 18 million.

In the Northeast there were 83 theaters in 61 cities with a total population of 4.8 million.

In the South there were 14 theaters in 12 cities with a total population of 2.7 million.

In the Midwest there were 34 theaters in 30 cities with a total population of 4.7 million.

In the West there were 19 theaters in 17 cities with a total population of 5.7 million.

Nonprofessional summer stock.—The 50 nonprofessional summer stock theaters in the United States serve 50 cities with a total population of 9.3 million.

In the Northeast there are 27 theaters in 27 cities with a total population of 8 million.

In the South there are 5 theaters in 5 cities with a total population of 57,000.

In the Midwest there are 10 theaters in 10 cities with a total population of 650,000.

¹² Op cit.