MOVIE THEATRES USA-1
Early Cooling and Air Conditioning

“AIR CONDITIONING and a Movie”

“BALABAN & KATZ AIR CONDITIONED THEATRES” Chicago, 1920’s
The Comet Theatre the “COOLEST THEATRE IN NEW YORK”
With “ICED AIR”

“The Carrier System of Theatre Cooling” based on the Metropolitan Theatre, Los Angeles, 1922. which used reciprocating compressor refrigeration not the centrifugal chiller shown in the diagram
Capitol Theatre, New York. 1920. The signs read “LARGEST THEATRE COOLING PLANT IN THE WORLD-NOW IN OPERATION” and “COOLING PLANT”

The Rivoli Theatre, New York, 1925 “COOLED BY REFRIGERATION”
The Winter Gardens, New York, 1920’s with ventilation by “THE TYPHOON FAN COMPANY”

Warners’ Theatre, New York, 1926: “REFRIGERATED WASHED AIR”
Boulder Theatre, Colorado, 1930’s ventilation plant room and ductwork visible far left of photo

Irvin Theatre “COOLED BY REFRIGERATION”
“COOLED BY REFRIGERATION” Fox Theatre, Phoenix, 1931

“YORK AIR CONDITIONING, DAILY COOL MATINEES” De Anza Theatre, Riverside, California