

# Empress Garden Gives to Omaha Connoisseurs Most Beautiful

Luxurious Dining Place  
Under Empress Theater  
Show Spot for Omaha

Opens Quietly During the Week But It Is Now Ready to Handle Patrons With a Trained Corps of Efficient Men and Women.

Just under the Empress theater, almost smothered with decorating intricacies, myriads of softly glowing lights, which twinkle invitingly and, daintily dressed serving girls, lies the Empress Garden—sedate, perhaps, but sparkling with life and extending a hearty greeting of welcome to all who desire to enter and partake of the hospitality within. It's an exquisite palace of entertainment and is destined to be one of the best, worthy show places of this city.

The scene as you enter the doors is one of splendor and beauty. The decorations, the illumination, the brilliancy and sparkle, will make you wonder at the courage and talent of the men who designed the place as a popular priced establishment.

The world's latest and best output has been installed to make up the general equipment for this establishment. From the gigantic cooking machinery, cooling devices, latest and most sanitary serving arrangement, down to the minutest detail, the comfort and convenience of patrons have been sealously provided for.

In between the tables ferns and plants are stationed, while around the posts and pillars are wrapped lattice work effects, all tastily colored and arranged to conform with the symmetry of the room. Overhead swing huge electroliers, shedding over the whole floor a soft, subdued glow of mild light, which blends pleasantly with the dull, green color effect which has been followed in the construction.

Over the lower floor in such a position that it leaves the center mass of tables free, is the mezzanine floor, where tables are located for service similar to that on the lower floor. The same electroliers and the same extensive decoration of plants and ferns have been followed out on the mezzanine floor as on the lower floor.

Overhead, dropped from the ceiling, are large spanning arches with glazed electric lamps inserted which, when lighted, add to the effulgent splendor of the lighting effects. Around the sides and in the corners bright little electric lamp rays peep out from behind the crevices where the diminutive lamps are hidden from view, while from beneath the lattice frames which surmount the room additional lights add to the translucent and scintillating resplendence of the dining palace.

**Has Beautiful Paintings.**

On the walls surrounding both the lower main floor and the mezzanine floor are many beautiful oil paintings. Scenes graphically representative of famous Colorado localities, Yellowstone park canons and snow-capped peaks of the Alps in Switzerland are painted on the walls that a person familiar with any of those places will instantly recognize them. They are works of art, those beautiful paintings, executed by the Fuchs, Son & Brand Co., representing the expenditure of vast sums of money.

At the south end of the mezzanine floor is an extended arch where the cabaret entertainers are stationed. Two large baby grand pianos, to be played by expert musicians, and cabaret singers will constitute the cabaret program. It is expected that the musical entertainment at the gardens will be the equal in both size and quality to any cabaret restaurant or cafe in the United States.

But it must not be understood that the Empress gardens is exclusively a place to dine. It is also a place to lunch and arrangements have been provided where the business man or woman who is in haste to partake of a meal and then return to his or her vocation, can come, eat a bite or two and then hurry back to the place of business.

And again back behind and under the stairs leading from the entrance way to the lower floor is a soda fountain. A new one of the latest pattern where in a quick and sanitary method every luxury of the soda fountain is dispensed by eager and efficient clerks.

**Delicatessen Department.**

A delicatessen department is also provided in the Empress Gardens. Fancy staple products can be purchased to be taken home for light lunches and the like. It is one of the most complete delicatessens in the city, and the goods retain the same high standard as the food served at the tables.

One quickly recognizable virtue of the Empress Gardens is an innovation to this city. That is the brine system which is used in every connection. Absent is the ice used for any purpose. The soda fountain, the refrigerator cases and shelves, everything is included in the brine system. It is much superior to the ice system and is more sanitary. This refrigerating system was installed by the Baker Ice Machine company of Omaha and the Northey Manufacturing company of Waterloo, Ia.

The foodstuffs which are served at the Gardens are not all prepared in the cafe itself, but at the Empress commissary, which is located on Harney street between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets. There a three-story building is completely fitted with modern appliances for the preparation of all fancy foodstuffs from heavy roasts to light pastries. Only steaks and chops and short orders of that nature are prepared at the restaurant. This is a much more sanitary method, and as the steaming foods are whisked in a specially constructed automobile, which is fitted with steam tables and steam chests, from the commissary on Harney street direct to the cafe, nothing of the flavor is lost.

**Everything is Fresh.**

Everything used in connection with the Empress Gardens is made fresh for its own use. No supplies of finished products, not even bread or ice cream, are purchased from outside firms, but are either made at the commissary or at the Gardens. Thus there can be no complaint which cannot be served to the bottom, and this eliminated. The Gardens is to please the public, and the management intends that nothing shall thwart that ambition.

This new industry for Omaha is made possible by the progressiveness of the Starland company, which concern is also the lessee of the Empress theater, and by J. L. Brandeis & Sons company, owners of the theater building.

Following are a few of the Omaha firms whose products are used at the Empress Garden to contribute to the general excellence of the equipment and goods: Ives-Blandt company, Horn Candy company, Alexander Munroe, Mid-West Electric company and the Smith company.



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