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Nine-hole putting green in the Empress Gardens

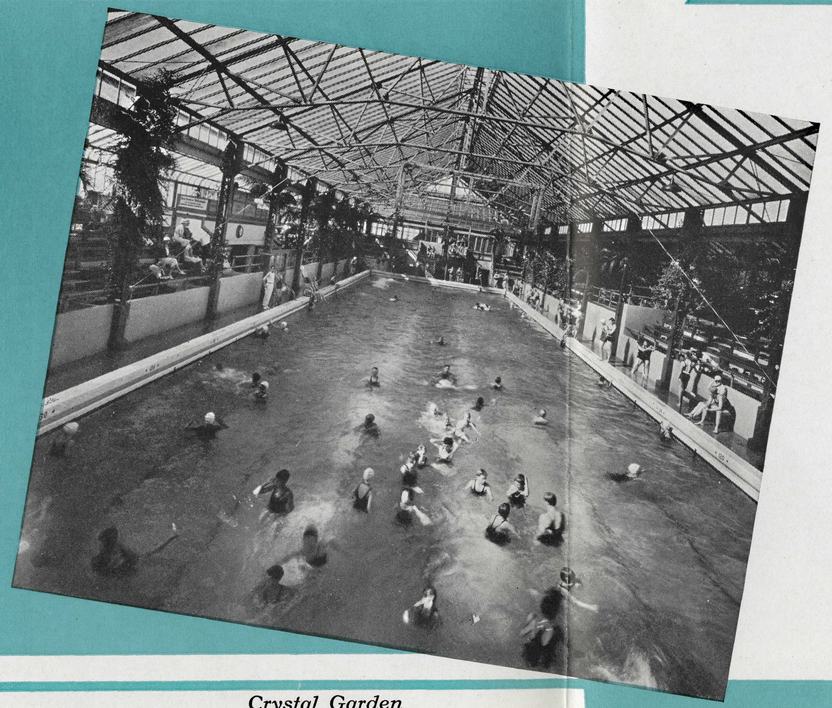
The Empress Hotel, one of the Pacific Coast's most charming hotels, is situated in a beautiful garden that fronts on the placid waters of Victoria's Inner Harbor. It is of fireproof construction throughout, and its large public and private rooms are the ultimate in comfort and good taste.

The Empress has many attractions, including . . . 570 commodious rooms, majority with bath; Crystal Ball Room, public and private dining rooms, Tudor Grill Room, and ample facilities for conventions. Unique features are: the Conservatory, with its fountain playing amid masses of exotic blooms; and the nearby Crystal Garden, with its glass-enclosed swimming pool, palm-bordered promenades, warm salt-water bathing, Turkish and steam baths, hot sea-water baths, Swedish and electric massage.

Visitors to the Empress Hotel invariably comment upon the charm of its gardens, which are among the best of their kind in Canada. Lawns of velvety smoothness, and verdant freshness flank the rose garden, a delightful retreat where rare specimens lift their showy heads and the more prolific climbers entwine the pergolas and arbors. Beautiful old trees offer shady nooks wherein to enjoy the fragrant surroundings or watch the players on the nine-hole putting green or on the tennis courts. On the other side of the hotel is a rock garden where Alpine and other creeping plants nestle in the shade of a lily pond which reflects the graceful fronds of the willows in its mirrored surface.

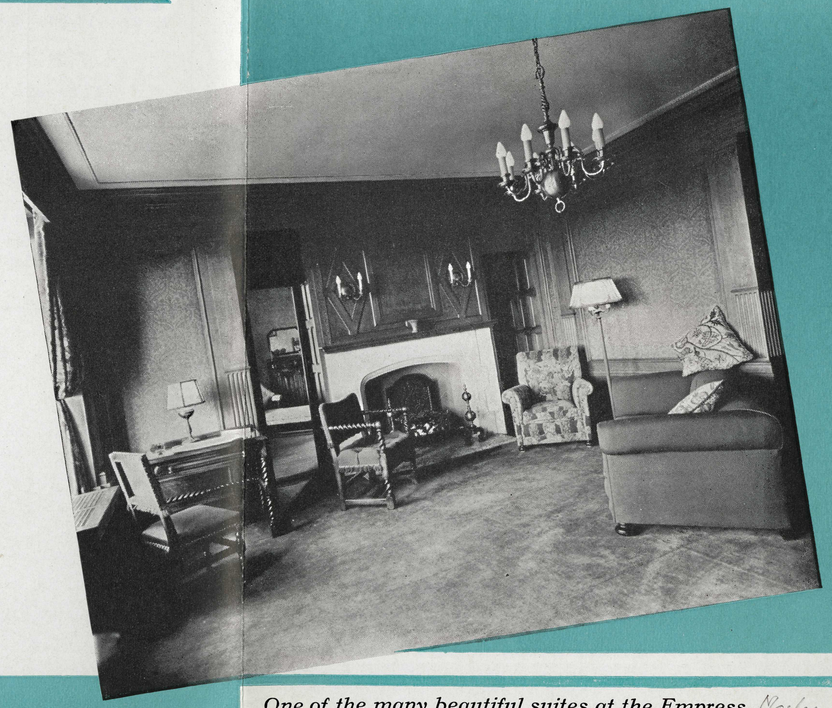
Holiday at the Empress Hotel! A joyous welcome always awaits you: whether your vacation be during the ideal spring, summer or autumn seasons; for the *Old English Yuletide Festivities* over Christmas-New Year; or to enter in the *Annual Winter Golf Tournament* held in March on a picturesque golf course for the Sir Edward Beatty Challenge Cup. During the tournament gala dinner dancing and entertainment hold sway at the Empress, and are climaxed by the presentation of prizes at a Grand Ball on the closing night. The *Vancouver Island Spring Festival* is held at Victoria in May under the auspices of the Vancouver Island Horticultural Society. The programme includes a flower festival, decorative table displays, special lectures at the Empress Hotel, and the opening of many of Victoria's exclusive gardens.

Conservatory—Empress Hotel



Crystal Garden
Largest warm salt-water natatorium on the Pacific Coast

View of harbor from main dining room



One of the many beautiful suites at the Empress

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CANADA'S EVERGREEN PLAYGROUND

"Follow the birds" to Victoria, in Canada's Evergreen Playground . . . on the southern tip of Vancouver Island. Here is every vacation appeal—climate and recreation, in an ideal setting. Tempered by mild ocean breezes and the warm Japanese Current rolling onward from Asia, the climate of Victoria is subject neither to extremes of heat nor cold . . . sometimes roses bloom at Christmas! Victoria's charming English beauty is heightened by Little Saanich Mountain and the blue-tinted Sooke Hills. Here, bathed in glorious sunshine, golf is played throughout the year on beautiful sporting courses, and other so-called summer sports are really year-round pursuits. The other recreational attractions include: tennis, riding, hiking, motoring along splendid roads amid majestic scenery, motor-boating, canoeing, fine bathing, adventurous mountain climbing, steamer excursions through inland and coastal waterways, and finally, fishing and hunting in the fishing waters and game haunts to which Victoria is the natural gateway.

To add to the appeal of this delightful region, reduced transportation rates are authorized from many points—ask your nearest ticket agent. Then, too, excellent hotel accommodation is available at rates indicated below:

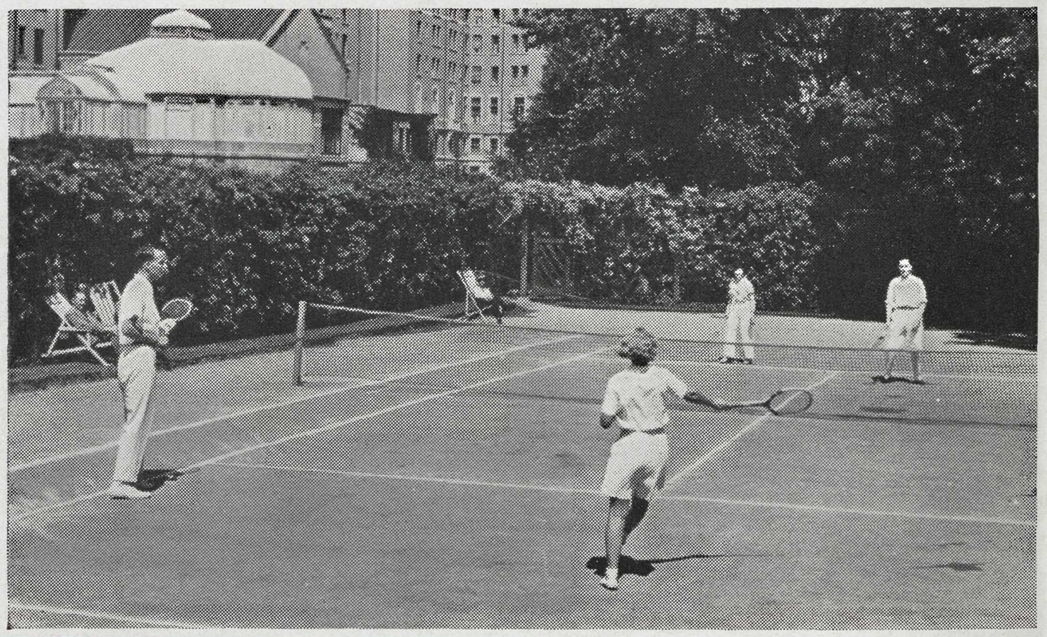
EMPRESS HOTEL — VICTORIA, B.C.

PLAN	ACCOMMODATION	DAILY RATES				MEALS
		From June 15th to Sept. 15th		Other Months		
European Plan	*Single* with bath (Harbor or Garden View).....	$5.00	$6.00	$4.00	$5.00	A la carte, also table d'hote and combination, meals at low popular city prices.
		7.00	8.00	6.00	7.00	
Open All Year	(Court Rooms).....		4.00		3.00	
	Double with bath (Harbor or Garden View).....	8.00	9.00	6.00	7.00	
		10.00	12.00	8.00 9.00	10.00	
	(Court Rooms).....		7.00		5.00	
	Suites.....		12.00 up		10.00 up	

WINTER RATES (Effective October 1 to April 30).
Stay of one month or longer—per month, Single Rooms $75.00 up; Double Rooms (2 persons) $100.00 up.
Stay of two weeks or longer—10% discount allowed on daily room rates.

TRANSFER:
Hotel and Can. Pac. Ry. S.S..... ¼ mile
Hotel and Ocean Docks.....1½ miles
Trunk, 50 cents each way.
Hand baggage free.

GOLF—Guests of the Hotel are extended the courtesy of the famous Victoria (Oak Bay) Golf Course, the Royal Colwood Golf Course, as well as the numerous golf courses in and around Victoria, on payment of green fees.



Tennis Court, Empress Gardens

Riding along the Sea-Front

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