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# City's Largest Supermarket Slated to Open This Sunday

Barlow's Foods, Rochester's largest supermarket including a restaurant, delicatessen, bakery, fresh fish market and florist shop, is scheduled to open Sunday in its 26,000-square-foot location at 1315 6th St. NW.

The store is owned by Stephen Barlow, veteran of more than 20 years in the grocery business and most recently owner of a supermarket at Crystal in suburban Minneapolis. He sold the Crystal store and now lives at 519 22nd St. NW.

Kirk Whetston, formerly associated with Barlow's Foods in Crystal, is manager of the store.

Barlow's Foods will feature a complete line of groceries in its fully carpeted location. A restaurant called the "Wunderbar" seating 44 people in an alcove of the store is decorated in German decor. The restaurant is being managed by Sotirious "Jim" Peltekos, formerly a chef at the Kahler Hotel here. Alongside the restaurant is a complete delicatessen and take-out service.

Each section of the store is decorated to the theme of a particular country. Old English decor in the meat section is the backdrop for a complete line of

fresh and packaged meats and fresh fish flown in twice weekly. The fresh fish will include live lobster, haddock, sword fish, oysters, salmon and clams. The meat market is managed by Leo LeTourneau, whom Barlow brought from his Crystal store.

The rear of the store will be occupied by an outlet of Bachman's Florists; a Minneapolis-based flower shop. The flower section of the supermarket will include fresh flowers daily.

George Hillesland, former baker for Barlow's Foods in Crystal, will manage the complete on-the-premises bakery. It will

offer breads, cakes, doughnuts, cookies and a selection of specialty items. The store also will include a gourmet foods section.

To tie in with the store's international decorating theme, the more than 90 employees will dress in costumes in keeping with the decor of their section of the store.

Store hours will be 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sundays.