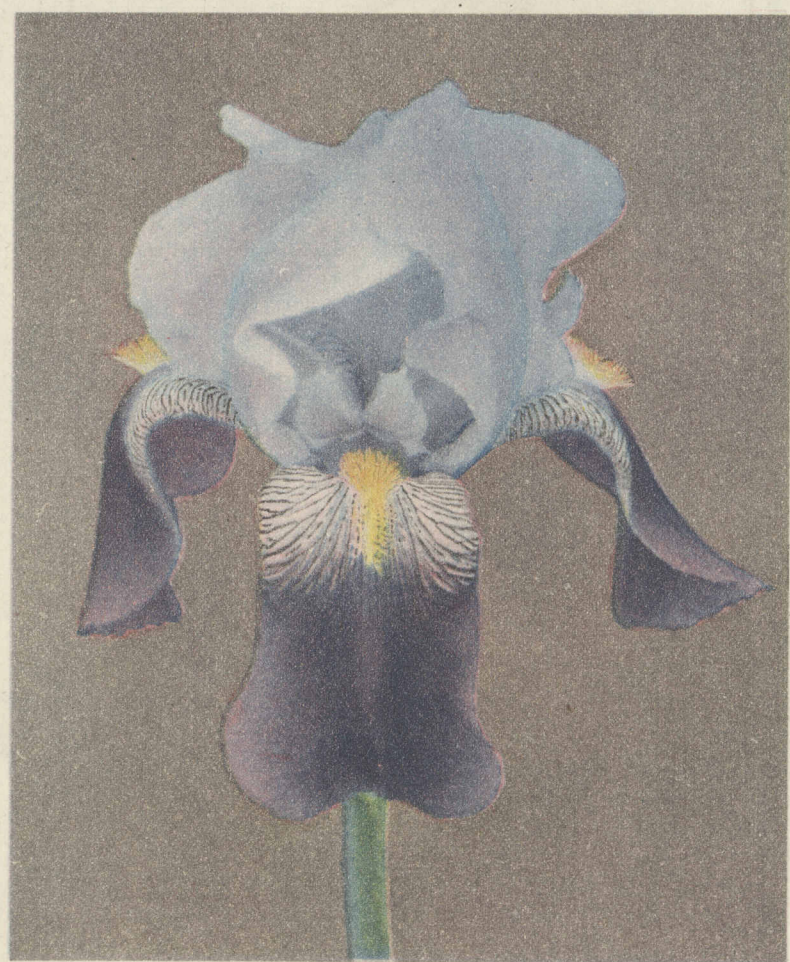




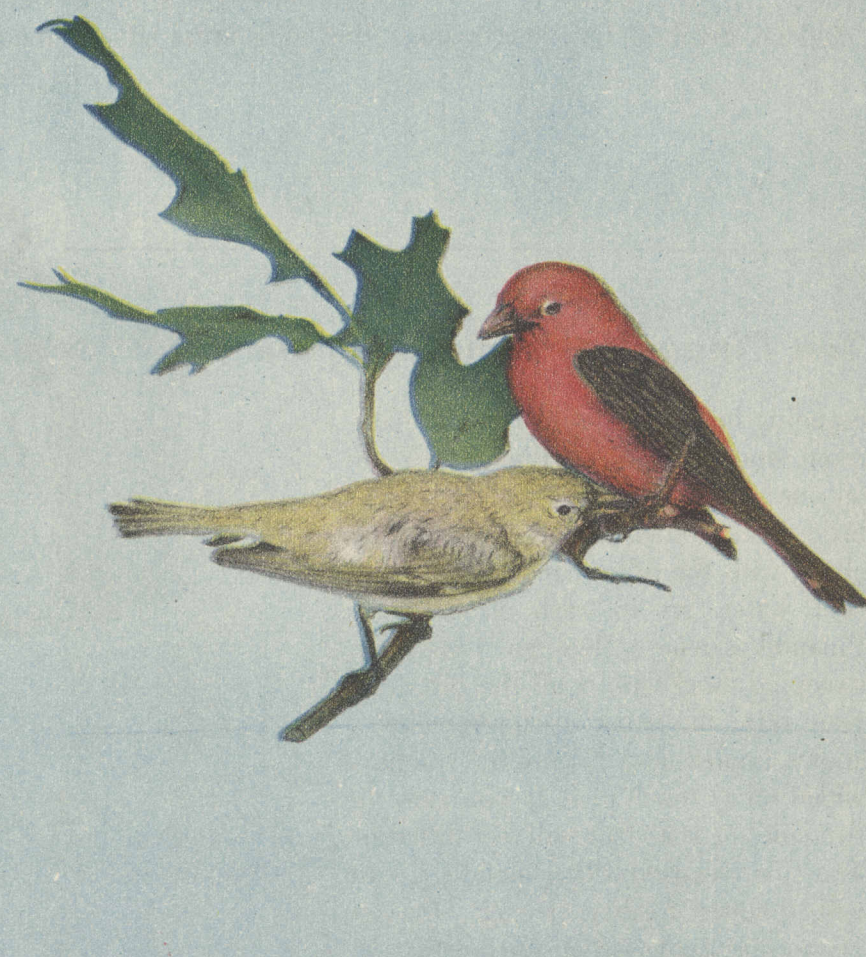
"MORNING MYSTERY" by R. A. Baker. This painting of the Chicago river at Wacker drive, looking up and outward to the east and north and taking in the superb lines of Tribune Tower, was shown in the thirty-second annual exhibition by artists of Chicago and vicinity, held recently at the Chicago Art institute.



COMMON BLUE VIOLET



IRIS



SCARLET TANAGER

CATCHING UP WITH THE BIRDS AND FLOWERS that should be with us now in Chicagoland. The common blue violets should be sticking their heads through the ground in damp, wooded places throughout this region almost any day now. There are great beds of them in the forest preserve near Thornton, Ill., and in the borders of the sand dunes in Indiana. Botanists call them *Viola Papilionacea*. Buds of the tall, bearded iris also should be opening soon on Chicago lawns. Pictured is the new English variety, known as the Prospero, and classed as one of the best irises grown in this part of the country. At blooming time it stands four feet high, producing large flowers. The scarlet tanager is due in these parts early each May. The reproduction is from the exhibit of the M. W. Harris public school extension of the Field museum, which also provided the violet picture. Clip these color pictures for your scrapbook; they'll help you know your birds and flowers.

(Color-photos by Godfrey Lundberg.)