

As Marlene and I stood talking in the new Woodward building, who should approach us but Willie Williams. It has been a long time since I last saw him, and he was overjoyed to see us also. Willie is now head accountant at a new firm in Chicago, and his secretary is none other than Delores Thomas. The manager of the firm is Rudolph Hughes — yes, also a graduate of '51. He has four secretaries in his outer office and who might they be? Dorothy Tate, Bernice Washington, Stephena Stephens and Muriel English. Willie also said that nearby is the Employment Agencies of Chicago and the highest civil service job there is being held by Napoleon Hughes. Working with him is Thelma Kennedy.

Also in the business field, Martha Rogers, Lillian Jones, Tressa Long, and Jewel Penman have become very efficient secretaries for large firms in New York. Marguerita Miller, Norma Dean, Marian Powell, and Madeline De-Marcia have gone into Business Administration and have their offices in the Carew Tower. Norma's secretary is Muriel Phipps, and down the hall from Norma's office one can hear a typewriter speedily tapping away. The push behind all this power is Pearl Gaines who is typing up reports for her boss, Clinton Reynolds.

Benjamin Smith now owns a chain of drug stores called the "Smith Drug Company." In his administrative office are Vanier McDowell, Lorneta Donaldson, Marjorie Edmondson, Dorothy Reid, and Billie Daniel. Marvin Cox, and Juan Brooks have a store selling sport articles which has become well known around the East.

Donald Burston has climbed the ladder to fame and in his office, Hortense Carr operates the office machines and Paul Sims is his head bookkeeper.

William Turley has a dancing school which is running in close competition with Arthur Murray.

Oh Lucy, I must tell you about the new school. It is a beautiful building, but the most surprising thing is that a great number of our graduates are teachers here. Mildred McDonald and Arnolda Mundy are art teachers; Willa Bell and Lamar Cox have become Public Speaking teachers; Donzella Logan teaches tennis to the gym classes of whom Vivian McHaney is the head; Lillian Smith is a Home Ec teacher, dealing exclusively with sewing; William Brown and Anna Yee are science teachers; Betty Roberts and Barbara Suhr are English teachers; Clarence Mahan is the athletic coach; and Robert Smith teaches music.

In the new Commercial School, located at Central Vocational, Annie Ruth Bryant is a teacher. Also in the Elementary School which has just been completed, Elaine Allen, Katherine Curry, Norma Ragan, and Eloise Maxwell have told me they are teaching small children writing, reading and manners.

There were a few people who also weren't at the meeting who were interested in school and college. The last I heard from John Karagianis, he, Harry Himes, and Norman Egner were studying Business Administration in college. Janie Scott had also planned to take up Business Ad.

Troy Earhart came over to say "Hello". He was always interested in sports and now he is a coach of a football team in Miami Florida. The name of the team is the "Earhart Panthers", of course. Not only did Troy do well in sports but also Ronald Wilson and Richard Baird, who are on a big league basketball team in Pittsburgh. Winford Hall has become another of the Yankee fans, but only more so for he is on the team; Mitchell Cobb has joined ranks with the Brooklyn Dodgers so now we should see some real action. Jack McCleary has also become a coach along with Charles Favors at the University of Michigan.

Pearl Hutchison and I had quite a long talk — (Now, Lucy, you know that I never say a word!). She is happily married and has two beautiful children. She wasn't the only one that had marriage in mind at the time of graduation. Mildred Woster, Imogene Surber, Mildred Staton, Carol Mansfield, Joyce Shrader, Minnie Fields, Delores Philbin, Dorothy Quigg, Edith Dula, Evelyn Stanley, and Patricia Riley have also become successful wives. But Carolyn Schaffer is as she always wanted — a single, rich woman, who has still the thought of being "young and fancy free".

Johnnie Freeze is ready to attempt the feat of swimming the English Channel, for which she has practiced many long years. Good Luck!

Dessie Brown is still as good looking as ever. She is a Powers model now, or, I should say, has been since she has graduated. She, Thelma Harlow, Iris Johnson, Loretta Cannon and Virginia Farthing are all connected with the Powers Agency. Lucy Woodall and Carrie Wright are employed by the Patricia Stephens Modeling Agency.

Betty Watts, Eunice Wynn, Ruth Holbrook, Reetha Moore, Ernestine Hardin, and Betty Hairston are famous designers of clothes, and their illustrations are in all of the leading magazines. And it is rather well known that Harry Catching is a commercial artist for Vogue; George Linville draws illustrations for the New York Tribune; Paul Bushle is an artist for "Seventeen"; Gilbert Berry does art work for Saks Fifth Ave. His partner is George Whitaker. The models I mentioned have, on many occasions, seen these artists who have done well.

James Wooten has his own office for interior decoration, as have Marian Graf, and Sara Garmon. Thelma Whitfield has just finished the plans for the home of Margaret Truman.

Along the line of art, Loretta Wulker and Margie Starr have been doing well lately in their business of making greeting cards. Carrie Smith has had some of her paintings in the Look Magazine, while Mary Ogburn has been noted for scenic art work.