General Sutherland reported that applicants fell off sharply on Thursday. Only 25 applied. Eleven completed the written examination. Firemen were picketing the Personnel Office and were encouraging prospective applicants to refrain from filing applications.

General Sutherland also reports that Mr. Perry of the AFL-CIP will meet with him at 9:30 at the direction of Georgia Meany. Meany has told Jim Moore to back the AFL-CIO union. This might be of some value in the press conference.