MOONEY CALLS FOR JOINT FIGHT FOR HIM AND SCOTTSBORO BOYS

Trial Begins in Decatur, Where Great Lynch Spirit Prevails; Fight For Negroes On Jury

SAN FRANCISCO, March 27.— With the opening of the Scottsboro tria!, the following wire was sent by Tom Mooney to William Patterson, National Secretary of the International Labor Defense:

MY SECURING NEW TRIAL FOLLOWING SIMILAR SUC-CESS SCOTTSBORO CASE VINDI-CATES POLICY AGGRESSIVE DE-FENSE TACTICS AND MAKES TREMENDOUS VICTORY MILI-TANT WORKING CLASS ACTION.

FIGHT MUST BE CARRIED FORWARD BOTH CASES I APPEAL FOR IMMEDIATE INTENSIFIED MILITANT UNITED FRONT STRUGGLE FOR FRAMED UP SCOTTSBORO BOYS SAVE THEM FROM ALABAMA LYNCHERS TOM MOONEY.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—At a mass meeting here last Sunday night, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People agreed to join the Scottsboro Unity Committee.

The meeting, held in Rev. Mag-

ruder's Negro church on Geary street, was addressed by Anita Whitney and Tom Johnson. A resolution was passed endorsing the defense of the Scottsboro boys by the International Labor Defense, and a committee elected to act with the Scottsboro Unity Committee.

Preparations are being made by the Scottsboro Unity Committee for a mass meeting to be held in Rev. Fred A. Hughes' Negro church at 1207 Powell street.

TRIAL ON

Retrial of the Scottsboro boys opened in Decatur, Alabama, on Monday. A motion by the defense to quash the indictment on the ground that Negroes were not called on the grand jury that handed down the indictments, was denied, thus laying the basis for a new appeal to the Supreme Court.

On the opening day lawyers for the International Labor Defense held their first private interview with the Scottsboro boys, exactly two years after they were arrested on the framed up "rape" charge.