Information On Probe Not Public, AAUP Team Says

Spokesman for an investigating team sent here by the American Association of University Professors to study the case of a dismissed instructor at Northern Michigan University stated this morning that he was not at liberty to disclose any information about the probe.

The three-member team began its investigation Tuesday into the controversy surrounding the dismissal last summer of Dr. Robert F. McClellan, assistant professor of history at NMU.

3 Professors

Prof. Ralph Loomis, committee chairman, of the University of Michigan; Prof. Ralph C. Brown, Wisconsin State University at Superior, and Prof. Robert S. Huston, Ball State University, Muncie, Ind., met Tuesday with members of the NMU faculty, department heads and administrative representatives.

The investigation, according to Jordan E. Kurland, Washington, associate secretary of the AUP, centered on “problems of academic freedom and tenure at NMU.”

More Meets Set

Further meetings were scheduled by the investigating team for today, and it reportedly is planning to meet with John P. McGoff, chairman of the NMU board of control, in Lansing this evening.

The committee will, according to assistant professor of physics Edward Monahan, president of the NMU chapter of the AAUP, submit a report, not to be made public, to the standing national committee on academic freedom and tenure — Committee ‘A’, following its investigations.