Anti-Titan Group Set Up

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A committee of nine was set up here last night to spearhead a fight on the Air Force's proposed Titan missile-launching ring around Tucson.

The meeting was held in the home of Prof. James E. McDonald, senior physicist at the UA Institute of Atmospheric Physics. Thirty-six men and women were present, and they argued for more than three hours over the moral issues involved.

About half wanted missile-launching installations eliminated from the Tucson area entirely. Another half wanted the Titan ring proposed for Tucson brooked by moving one of the three proposed ICBM using installations northeast of Tucson across the Rincon Mountains to the San Pedro Valley.

THE AIR FORCE is indifferent to the welfare of the civilian population. It is intended to protect by ignorance (publicly) the danger of atomic fallout that could be carried into the Tucson area by prevailing winds, McDonald said.

Ten months out of the year, McDonald said, the prevailing wind is west to east. Therefore, any atomic blast loading in the neighborhood of three Pacific centri-ular Valley, for example, would be sent into the Las Vegas area, from which the prevailing winds could blast it.