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DULUTH--Dr. R. Thorsteinsson, internationally known Canadian geologist, will speak on "Stratigraphic and Structural History of the Canadian Arctic Archipelago" before the Lake Superior Geological Society at 8 p.m. Thursday (November 3) in room 216 Science Addition at UMD.

Dr. Thorsteinsson is one of seven earth scientists currently speaking before geological and university groups in the U.S. and Canada under a program sponsored by the Distinguished Lecture Committee of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists.

The Arctic Archipelago, which has a land area of more than half a million square miles, is a possible petroleum province in which the Canadian government has granted some leases and concessions. Since 1950, Thorsteinsson has been employed by the Geological Survey of Canada to study the geology of all major islands in the region. Dr. E. T. Tozer and Thorsteinsson pioneered the use of light planes equipped with large balloon tires in geological survey work.

Thorsteinsson received his B.A. degree from the University of Saskatchewan, his M.S. from the University of Toronto and his Ph.D. from the University of Kansas. He was one of the youngest Canadian geologists to be elected Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.