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British astronomer to speak Wednesday

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The man who said Monday the Russians would likely be the first to land a man on the Moon, will speak at the University of Montana campus tomorrow night.

Sir Bernard Lovell, noted English scientist and director of the Jodrell Bank Observatory, is touring the western United States and will lecture at 8 p.m. at the University Theater. His topic will be "Is the United States Running Alone in the Race to the Moon?"

Sir Bernard, who has often been critical of methods used in space exploration, said in a Colorado speech Monday that from a scientific viewpoint it was not too important what country reached the moon first, but it would be quite different from a position of prestige.

His speech is based on a tour of Soviet space centers and tracking centers which he took, at the invitation of the President of the Soviet Academy of Sciences, last summer.

The lecture, free to students and the public, is sponsored by the ASUM Program Council. Lee Tickell, Program Council director, will preside, and Dr. C. R. Jeppesen, chairman of the UM physics department, will introduce the speaker.