Mr. Russell Edgerton to Join List of Experts at American Association for High Education Conference
DAYTON, Ohio, October 18, 1972 --- Mr. Russell Edgerton from the Office of the Secretary, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, will join the list of experts at the October 30 American Association for Higher Education's Midwest Regional conference on "New Approaches to Undergraduate Education."

This is one of eight conferences in the Midwest Region from October 12 through October 31.

Other conferences will be held in St. Louis, Iowa City, St. Paul, Kansas City, Ann Arbor, Cleveland and Chicago with 12 educational experts from around the country on non-traditional studies at the university and college level.

Mr. Edgerton recently has been named the Chief Executive for the Provision on Innovation in the Higher Education bill in Congress. As a member of the Secretary's staff he is involved directly in Federal policy-making toward higher education. During his three-year tenure with the Secretary he has been responsible for special programs and projects in education, policy coordination, and has served in developing papers, articles and speeches on Federal Policy toward higher education.

He has degrees from Stanford and Columbia university.

The UD conference, like the other seven, will develop themes concerning changes in higher education and what their prospects are.

Among specific issues to be taken up are time-shortened degrees, non-traditional studies, individualized programs of study, education for new careers, and ways of improving education within tightening budgets. To sharpen the focus on these topics, 12 background papers have been prepared by such prominent scholar-educators as Harold Hodgkinson, Center for R and D in Higher Education, Berkeley, California; Kenneth Eble, University of Utah; William Jellema, Association of American Colleges; and Jonathan Warren, Education Testing Service, Berkeley, California, among others.

The conference will include a discussion of the Higher Education Act of 1972. Mr. Edgerton will lead this discussion. For information call Mr. Jack Nesmith, Assistant Provost at UD, on 229-2013.

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