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brings valuable experience During recruitment at UNL, Allen will Peace Corps and VISTA volunteers gain personal and career fulfillment while serv-

Recruiter: volunteer work

ing in jobs where the big pay-off is experience rather than dollars, a former Peace Corps volunteer said.

Calmeze Allen, 26, is at UNL conducting a "general awareness campaign" and recruitment for Action, the umbrella organization for VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America), the Peace Corps and other organizations.

As a Peace Corps volunteer, Allen said, "You have first-hand experience with another culture, learn a language and receive direct experience as relating to a career.

"Whatever specific area you're in, whether it's business or agriculture, each volunteer experiences a maturing in their subject area."

He explained that VISTA volunteers receive the same types of reward but work in the United States. Therefore, rather than learning a new language and becoming familiar with a different culture, the VISTA volunteers "help Americans, help themselves."

Another advantage, he said, is that returning volunteers receive preference when applying for some government and private jobs.

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Alpha Zeta Mixer will be at 6 p.m. in the East Union. After the mixer an election of new members will take place.

The deadline for applications for a fall semester internship through the Washington Center for Learning Alternatives is April 15. Minority students with financial needs are eligible to apply for a small scholarship to help defray costs of the program. Students wanting more information should contact the Coordinator for Experimental Education, Room 1218 Oldfather, 472-1452, before spring break.

be looking for people with backgrounds in health, housing, energy needs, economics, farming, community services and legal rights.

But he said every vocation taught at UNL could lead to volunteer work with either VISTA or the Peace Corps. And although VISTA and the Peace Corps usually request volunteers be well trained in a specific field, now there is room for people with "generalist" backgrounds, he said.

Allen said he will be available to answer questions about the Peace Corps and VISTA and help people interested in volunteering for either program today through Friday.

Allen will be in the Placement Office in the Nebraska Union today and Thursday An Action representative will be at the Teachers' Fair at Teacher's College Thursday and Friday and in Agriculture Hall Friday.

Some persons might want to apply for service but are not sure, he said. If so, they can apply and it a situation is found tor them there still isn't any obligation, he said.

Also, once the volunteer is sent to a location, if some unseen problems arise, th the volunteer doesn't necessarily have to complete the full term of service, he said.

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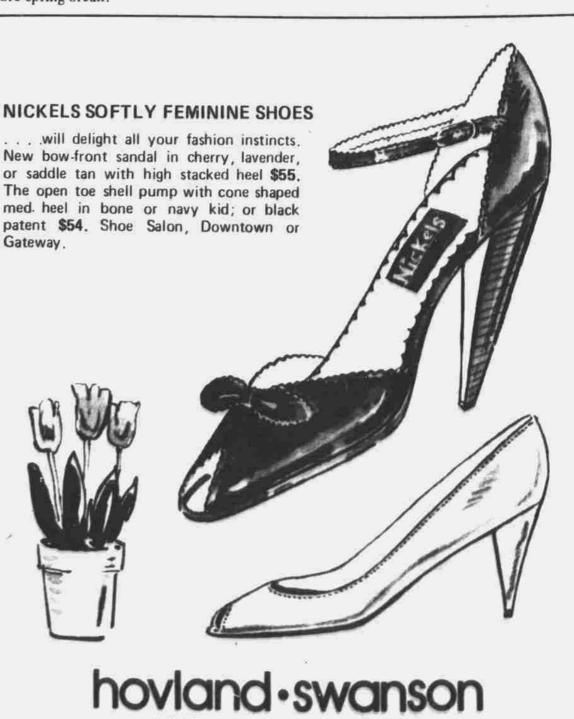
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