

THE homestretch has arrived for St. Francis College men raising funds to send a group of students to work in a Lima, Peru orphanage for the second consecutive summer.

Last summer, eight St. Francis students worked at the Ciudad Des Los Ninos, a refuge for 250 homeless boys from one to eighteen years of age, that is conducted by two Franciscan priests on the outskirts of Lima. The St. Francis students dug trenches, laid concrete sewerage tubing, laid brick for a dormitory and placed heavy, pre-cast concrete roof sections atop the dorms.

Now, the students are raising funds to pay for a trip back for more of the same work.

Under the direction of Dr. Joseph A. Ellis, director of Latin American Studies Program at the college, the St. Francis students have recently shipped 300 pairs of shoes and ten large cartons of clothes to the orphanage.

On June 13th, seven St. Francis students return to the Ciudad. The project Peru group conducted several fund-raising ventures to help defray expenses of a needed \$3,000. Among the fund-raising events were: a student-faculty basketball game on March 20th; a raffle held at St. Joseph's Commercial High School; a dance held on Sunday afternoon, March 1st.

The participating St. Francis students also prepared a slide and short lecture series for demonstration at parishes and civic organizations to explain the goals and purposes of the project.

Chairmen of the Project Peru drive are Orazio Ciccarelli and Thomas Downes, both veterans from last year's trip to the Ciudad. Others participating in the drive are: Christopher Duffy, Thomas Nicastro, Bart Schneider, David Geary, James Kelmer, John O'Neil and James Darcy.

Return to Peru Planned



Segment of miniature Peace Corps of St. Francis arrives at Lima: Tony DeSantis, Dr. Joseph Ellis (Director of Latin American Studies Program), John McClory, Joe Colletti, Jim O'Kane.



Joe Colletti hacking away



Art Bence pauses on cement detail



working at



Tony DeSantis aboard tractor



Orazio Ciccarelli hauls heated water



Ron Thomas with some of the 250 homeless boys living at the Ciudad Des Los Ninos.



"All work and no play . . ." Franciscan student in South America records one of the many interesting experiences via a snapshot of a bull fight.