

Students to solicit support to preserve Pollock Estate

The Students for the Preservation of Pollock Estate will be soliciting student and community support during the month of May in their attempt to save the estate.

During a meeting Thursday at the A&S Office Building, the group proposed that petitioning, letter writing and contacting prominent local officials and citizens be undertaken in an effort to enlist moral and financial support.

Geoff Gay suggested that the group investigate the possibility of having students and non-university members from the surrounding area sign petitions during the YSU Open House May 16.

The group will compose one letter to be jointly signed by all members to send to *The Vindicator* and will write letters to *The Jambar*.

Local public officials and community leaders will be contacted within the next week and asked for their support.

Gay reported that he talked to Vice President of Administrative Affairs, Karl E. Krill, who said that it would cost at least \$240,000 to renovate the house. This would include a new roof, new plumbing and wiring, new floors and windows and repairs for the elevator. A complete restoration

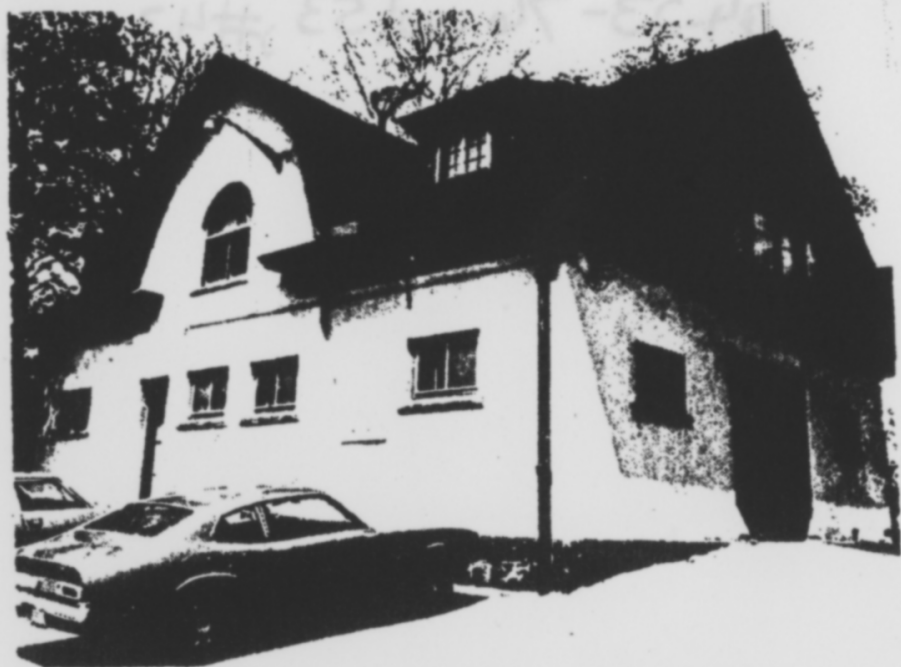
would cost an estimated \$414,000. Gay said the administration feels it has no use for the house and he disagrees strongly.

The group also contacted the Mahoning Valley Historical Society which agreed the estate should be preserved but stated it could not provide any financial support. Gay noted that the state of Ohio, which is short on funds and, like the Federal Government, could be of no assistance.

Outside of a fund-raising drive, the group agreed that the only course of action left would be to persuade some private individual to buy the state, restore it and re-donate it to the University.

The group supported the idea that, if preserved, the house be used for meetings of campus groups and a University museum. The necessity of the house meeting any standards for classrooms was questioned, for the group never proposed that the house be used for classroom space, as it now is.

The group plans to meet at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 1 in Buechner Hall. All interested parties are invited to attend. Gay may be contacted at 743-1681 after 6 p.m.



DANA PRACTICE BARN—"Carriage House to 616 Wick. Good Condition. Beaux Arts Neo-Gothic, probably c. 1900."