

# Nowak Loses JC Presidency Bid

FARMINGTON Elected as U.S. Jaycee president was Ronald Au of Hawaii and first runner-up was Frank Parsons of Alabama. Three other candidates bowed out of the race before Nowak.

Nowak, in strong contention until the end, bowed out of the three-man race just before the 21st balloting began Friday morning.

Ed Clark of Kentucky was first to concede with a withdrawal on the fifth ballot. Larry Fuller of Oregon withdrew on the eighth ballot and drew on the eighth ballot and morning.

Frank Antalek of New York bowed out on the 14th ballot.

Nowak, 32, of 22966 Mayfield, Farmington, has ended his year as a national vice president of the U.S. Jaycees and will return to become active in the local chapter.

ABOUT 7,000 Jaycees at-

tended the week-long convention in Portland with some 3,300 delegates casting votes in the long election which started at 4 p.m. Thursday and ended about 8:30 a.m. Friday.

Among the 180 Michigan Jaycees attending were these Jaycees from Farmington: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lindbert;

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Decker; Mr. and Mrs. Augie Barbrick; Walt McCoy; Chuck Williams; Ken Asselin; Joe Germek; and Mr. and Mrs. Nowak.

Nowak has been a member of the Farmington Area Jaycees since 1962. He was elected local president in 1965, state JC president in 1969 and has served as state and national director.

Nowak, who has lived in Farmington since 1962 when he was a high school sophomore, heads up one of Connecticut Mutual's oldest and largest agencies in Detroit as a general agent.

He was appointed general agent after having built a \$10 million life insurance sales organization from scratch in

five years for another company.

He has served on several Farmington committees ranging from mental health to the City of Farmington Assessment Board of Review. An alumnus of Marquette University, Nowak and wife Dede have three sons.

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## Old Maple Used As Landmark For Indians, Says An Ottawa

FARMINGTON A member of the Ottawa Indian Tribe, Moses Bailey of Redford, was in the City of Farmington Friday to ascertain whether the old maple tree on Gill Rd. was used as an Indian marker tree.

His Indian lore consulting services were requested by the City of Farmington and he was transported to the site of the tree by Louis Gibson, member of the Farmington Historical Preservation Committee.

AFTER A thorough inspection of the tree, Bailey could not determine if it was an Indian marker but was able to confirm it was used by tribesmen as a landmark.

The maple, about 350 years old, was used as a landmark because of its location in relation to the east-west Grand River Indian trail to Lansing, Bailey said.

He explained it was difficult to know for sure whether the limbs were bowed by Indians to mark a trail or bowed during its natural growth.

BAILEY, 76, is an expert on Indian lore and signed an affidavit asserting the tree was a landmark for Indians.

The affidavit has been placed in a file the city is collecting in an attempt to establish the tree as a historical site.

The maple became center of a controversy a few weeks back when it almost was cut down to facilitate paving of Gill Rd. An injunction was obtained from Oakland County Circuit Court by Richard Klinkman whose residence on Gill is adjacent to the tree.

The city revised its storm drainage and paving engineering plans to save the tree and worked out a settlement with the Klinkmans.

The campaign to save the tree received national coverage with the story being published at the time in



**INSPECTS MAPLE** — Moses Bailey, 76-year-old Indian of the Ottawa tribe who now lives at 15757 Greyfield, Redford, inspects the 350-year-old maple tree on Gill Rd. in the City of Farmington and finds it was used as a landmark by the Indians as they traveled years ago from Lansing to Detroit.

"Grit," a national weekly newspaper.

That article resulted in a letter being written the city by Rodney V. Marsh of Brandon, Vt., approving the decision to save the tree on Gill by relocating the paving project.

Marsh wrote he owns 65 acres with many trees, one 80-foot sugar-maple which is located just outside of a 20-foot highway right-of-way and another tree some 100 feet tall.

His congratulatory letter to the city for saving the maple was read at Monday night's council meeting.

**Widening Set**

Road improvements have started on the intersection of 14 Mile and Orchard Lake Rds. in Farmington and West Bloomfield townships.

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