



Standing (Left to right): V. Manzo, H. Gunther, J. Bell, D. Snyder, W. Sheets, G. Dunlap, R. Mursen, A. Capasso, J. Johansen, C. Knapp. Seated: J. Thompson, R. Zimmerman, J. Mangini, J. Sloane, M. Welsh, J. Kilmurry, W. Brown, W. Crider, A. Cardaro.

Again this year the Hi-Way must go to press prior to the baseball team's opening contest and a full account of the season's activities is obviously impossible. We can do nothing in this instance then, but venture a few hopeful predictions and list the players who, because of their experience or fine showing in practice sessions, seem likely to rate a berth on the team.

As has been said before in numerous newspaper stories, things look none too good for the boys in blue, despite the return of several lettermen, because of the seeming lack of good pitching material.

Of the returning lettermen the only one—in the infield, that is—who seems sure of starting the season at his usual post is "Aint" Cordaro, peppery and valiant backstop.

The other two lettermen in the infield, the two Johnnies, Thompson and Mangini, have been shifted around several times in various combinations in an attempt to plug the gaping hole left at third base by the graduation of Bob MacMaster.

Bill "Apple" Crider appears once again on the baseball horizon and we hope that he will be able to fill up the gap at first base so ably covered last year by Bob Raetz.

Jim Bell, a hard-hitting Senior, was, for a while, put at second, with Thompson going to third. This combine, apparently, did not please Coach Knapp, for at this writing he had shifted Thompson again, to short this time, putting Mangini to second, and bringing in Tony Capasso, another letterman and formerly an outfielder, to battle Jim Bell over the occupancy of the hot corner.

As we have mentioned previously, none of the infield positions seems definitely settled and only time will tell who is to play where.

In the outfield, Butch Zimmerman rates the center field post for his fine defensive playing and especially for his strong, whip-like arm. Big Don Snyder, whose long-distance clouting was a revelation when the candidates were first called out, seems slated for right field. Tony Capasso and Milt Welch are still battling for the left field garden. If Capasso breaks into the infield, naturally left field will be left to Welch.

Dependable, ever-present Jim Sloane, sporting a record of six wins and no losses from last year, will again be the mainstay of the Teaneck pitching staff. Other pitchers who have shown up well so far include: Bill Brown, Garland Dunlap, Walter Mayer, Ray Mursch, and Warren Sheets.

Other members of the squad include Joe Kilmurray, clouting catcher, and Ted Mikolasy, utility infielder.

Participation in the Northern New Jersey Interscholastic League calls for a fourteen-game schedule in addition to six independent games. At present, the future of the team is still a mystery, but if the fighting football team that Coach Knapp turned out is any indication of what the baseball team is to be, this year's team promises, at least, to be colorful.