



Baseball



Str-r-rike two!

A slide into second.



Action at home-plate.

CONFRONTED with the task of retaining the Northern New Jersey Inter-scholastic League crown with only three lettermen returning, Coach Charles Knapp received some consolation as he watched his team turn in a fairly creditable job in an early practice game with Fort Lee.

Starting on the mound and exhibiting bright potentialities of becoming one of the top-flight hurlers in the county, was Bill Breckwoldt. Besides having exceptionally fine control for a high school pitcher, Breckwoldt revealed an effective fast ball and a slow, tricky curve that fooled many a batter.

With the league eligibility of Johnny Thompson, all-county short-stop last year, made valid, added potency was assured in the infield and on offense.

The only other regular from last year, Ant Capasso, roamed his center field terrain with characteristic hustle. As lead-off man in the batting order, Ant aptly answered the qualifications. Swift afoot, an expert bunter, crafty in waiting out the pitcher and running the bases, Capasso more than adequately filled the requirements.

A number of sophomores seemed fit and ready to break into the starting line-up. Among them were Soup Stevenson, promising catcher; Paul Hazelton on first base; Midge DeCanio, second baseman; Pete Petrovic on third; and Bob Drack, outfielder.

Slated for the other outfield post was Bob Steinbruck, heavy-hitting senior.

To round out the pitching staff, Coach Knapp has Warren Sheets, Bud Dunlap, and Bob McCaffrey. Of these, Dunlap appeared as the logical second starter to Breckwoldt.

Other candidates for positions on the team included John Meloy and Joe Daly, catchers; Pete Martens and John Bersh, first base; Jimmy Carlin, second; and Al Joy, Bill Guthrie, and Les Larsen, outfielders.