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Yoenis Cespedes, Jed Lowrie homer as A's beat Astros

By Carl Steward, Oakland Tribune

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Inside the Oakland A's: Game 142 wrapup: Suzuki could be the key to Straily's big breakthrough

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Straily dominates in A's 2-1 win over Astros

Susan Slusser, San Francisco Chronicle

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A's Balfour getting fewer raves for his saves

Susan Slusser, San Francisco Chronicle

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The Drumbeat: Dan Straily's fine outing helps A's beat Astros 2-1

From Chronicle Staff Writer Susan Slusser at the Coliseum

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The Drumbeat: Planned day off for Coco Crisp; Balfour feels just fine

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Hamilton could help Reds in sprint to finish

John Shea, San Francisco Chronicle

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Harbaugh-Carroll rivalry promises plenty of drama

Scott Ostler, San Francisco Chronicle

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Solo shots by Cespedes, Lowrie are enough to edge Astros

By Jeff Kirshman / MLB.com

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A's closer Balfour flirting with danger of late

A's use DH to get Norris, Suzuki in same lineup

By Jeff Kirshman / MLB.com

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A's look to punctuate dominant year vs. Astros

Clubs wrap up season series that has seen Oakland go 14-4

By Andrew Simon / MLB.com

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A's Straily stellar in 2-1 win

By Associated Press

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Joe Stiglich, csnbayarea.com

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No concerns over struggling Balfour

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A's return to home run hitting backs Dan Straily in win over Houston

Matt Kawahara, Sacramento Bee

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Straily sharp again, Doolittle rages, more homers in A's 2-1 win

Matt Kawahara, Sacramento Bee

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Top AL contenders ready to pull rank

By Michael Silverman, Boston Herald

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Hader masters Snappers in Bandits' Game 1 win

By Marco LaNave / Quad Cities River Bandits

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