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A's lose again to Rangers, fall out of first place

By Steve Corkran, Oakland Tribune

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By Matthew Artz, Oakland Tribune

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***Rangers complete sweep of A's with 3-0 victory**

***Melvin sticking with closer-by-committee approach**

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Rangers solve Sonny Gray, defeat A's 3-0

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Rangers taking care of business

John Shea, San Francisco Chronicle

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A's lease talks stop, and rancor grows

Will Kane, San Francisco Chronicle

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The Drumbeat:

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***UPDATE with A's reaction to JPA's accusations; Why it's Barton over Moss — and Coliseum authority accusing A's of not paying rent**

By John Shea, San Francisco Chronicle

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Gray's solid effort goes unrewarded as A's blanked

Righty strikes out eight in seven innings as Rangers complete sweep

By Alex Espinoza / Special to MLB.com

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Melvin wins challenge on close play at plate

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A's turn to Kazmir vs. Astros after sweep

Oakland losers of three straight; Oberholtzer starts for Houston

By Alyson Footer / MLB.com

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Rewind: A's wonder where the good times went

By Joe Stiglich, csnbayarea.com

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Michael Choice makes presence felt against former team

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A's, Coliseum Authority trapped in the same car

By Ray Ratto, csnbayarea.com

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Coliseum Authority responds to A's, seeking 'fair deal'

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By Matt Kawahara, Sacramento Bee

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A's shut out by Perez, swept by Rangers

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Melvin: No changes imminent to A's closer situation

By Matt Kawahara, Sacramento Bee

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To raise or to raze? It's a hairy decision

By Matt Kawahara, Sacramento Bee

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By JOSH DUBOW, AP Sports Writer

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After bullpen woes on Monday and Tuesday, it's the offense that sinks A's today

By Sam McPherson, examiner.com

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Ports Rally For Walk-Off 5-4 Win

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Cougars Pound Snappers for Series Lead

Kane County Cougars

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