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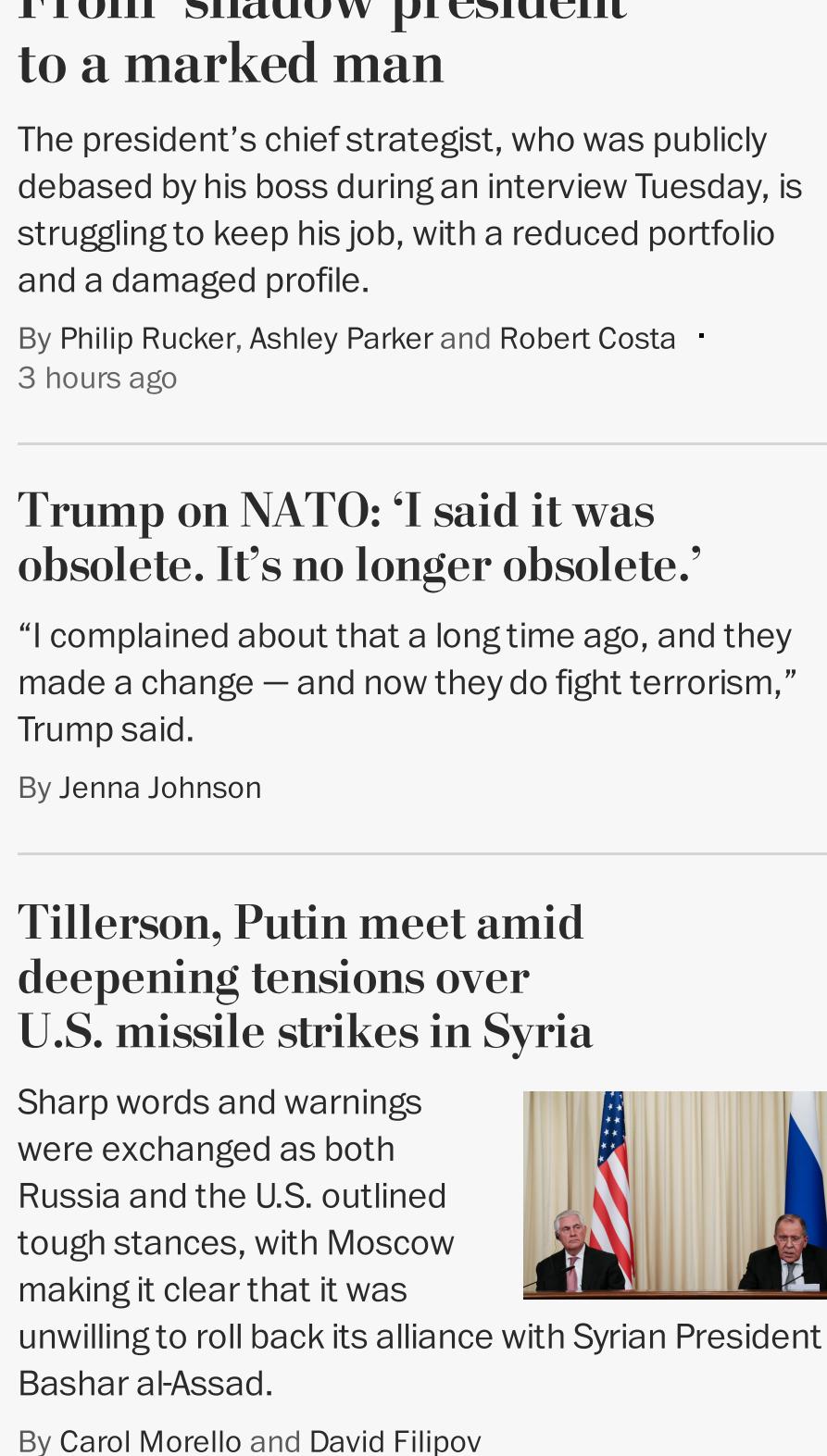
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Trump takes centrist tack on economic policy, abandoning campaign pledges

The president said he wouldn't label China a "currency manipulator" and that he is open to reappointing Janet Yellen as chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, reversals that come amid a period of rapid evolution for Trump on both domestic and foreign policy issues.

By Damian Paletta and Ana Swanson

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Stephen K. Bannon listens as President Trump and NATO's secretary general hold a news conference. (Jabin Botsford/The Post)

Inside Bannon's struggle: From 'shadow president' to a marked man

The president's chief strategist, who was publicly debased by his boss during an interview Tuesday, is struggling to keep his job, with a reduced portfolio and a damaged profile.

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Trump administration moving quickly to build up nationwide deportation force

An internal Department of Homeland Security assessment obtained by The Post shows the agency has already found 33,000 undocumented immigrants in detention centers, opened discussions with dozens of local police forces and identified where construction of Trump's border wall could begin.

By David Nakamura

While the U.S. wasn't looking, Russia and Iran began carving out a bigger role in Afghanistan

Tehran and Moscow have seized on the uncertainty of future U.S. policy to expand ties with the Taliban and weaken the country's Western-backed government, American and Afghan officials say.

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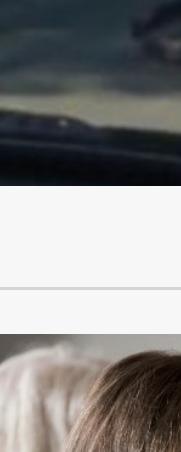
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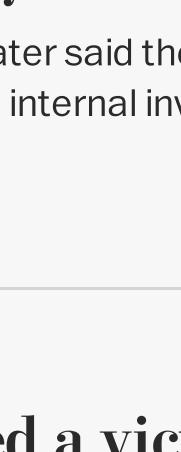
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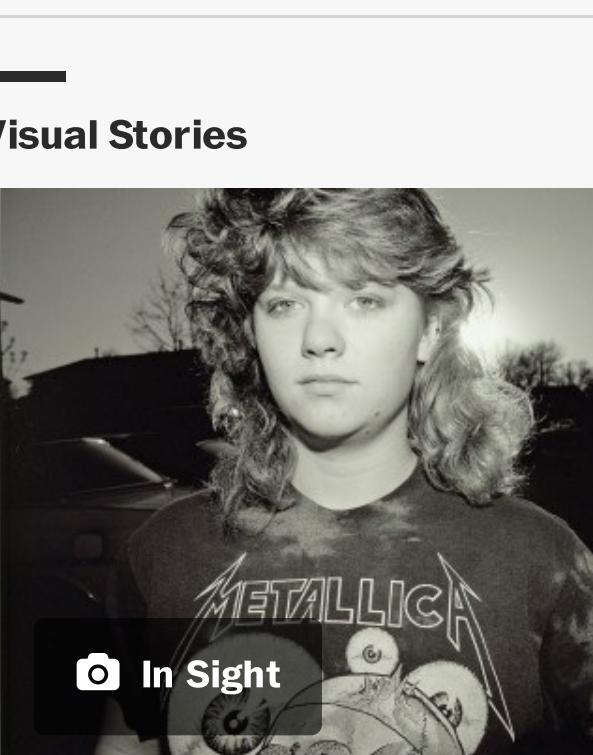
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Trump changes course again, says health-care repeal should happen before tax overhaul

The comments from the president and Office of Management and Budget Director Mick Mulvaney mark a sharp reversal after the administration was dealt a stinging defeat when conservative Republicans refused to vote for a GOP health-care plan.

By Damian Paletta



EPA seeks a 24/7 security detail for new leader Scott Pruitt

The president has proposed slashing the budget of the Environmental Protection Agency, but a detailed plan obtained by The Post includes a request to add positions to add security for Pruitt. Past EPA administrators have had some protection, but none to this extent.

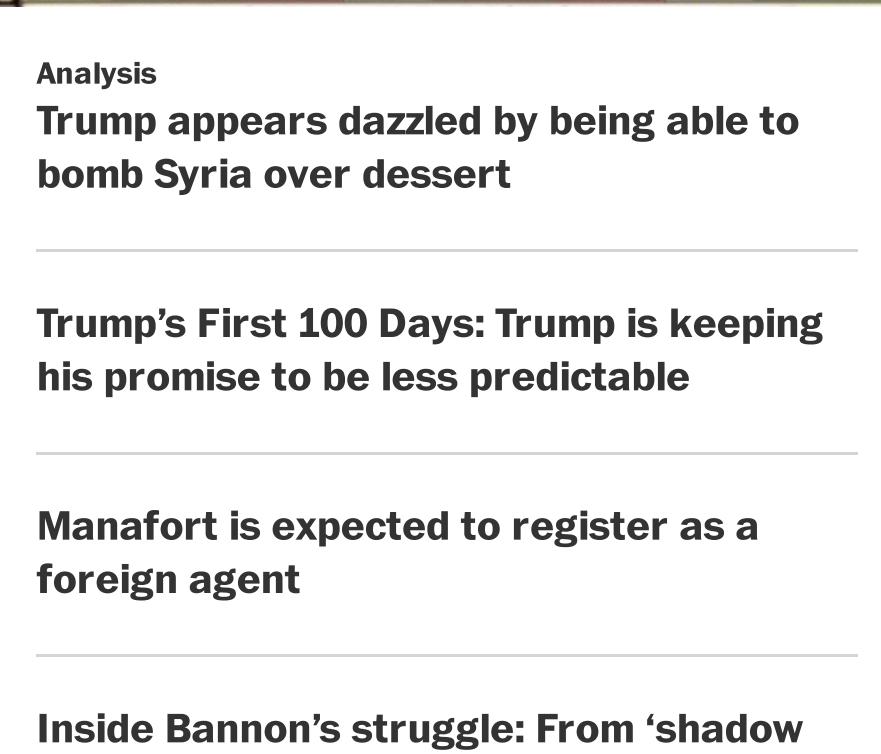
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'You lie!': Constituents use Rep. Joe Wilson's own line against him

The Republican congressman, who shouted the phrase during President Barack Obama's speech to Congress in 2009, was speaking about Obamacare when the crowd started chanting it. Similar scenes have become a new normal at Republican town hall events across the country.

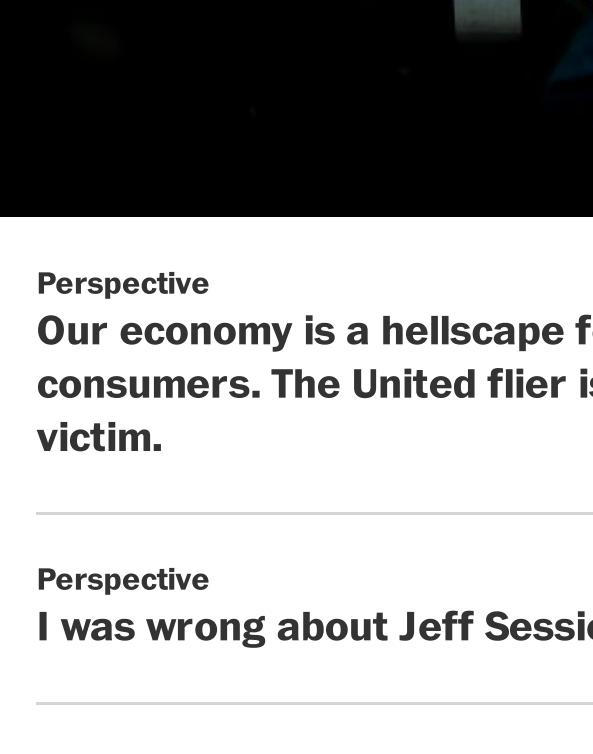
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Inside a nervous newsroom as Turkey's government closes in

Journalism has long been a risky enterprise in Turkey, but since a coup attempt last summer sent the government of President Recep Tayyip Erdogan into a frenzied hunt for its enemies, a crackdown has shattered dozens of outlets and has landed more than 120 journalists in prison, earning the country the distinction last year of being the world's leading jailer of journalists, according to advocacy organizations.

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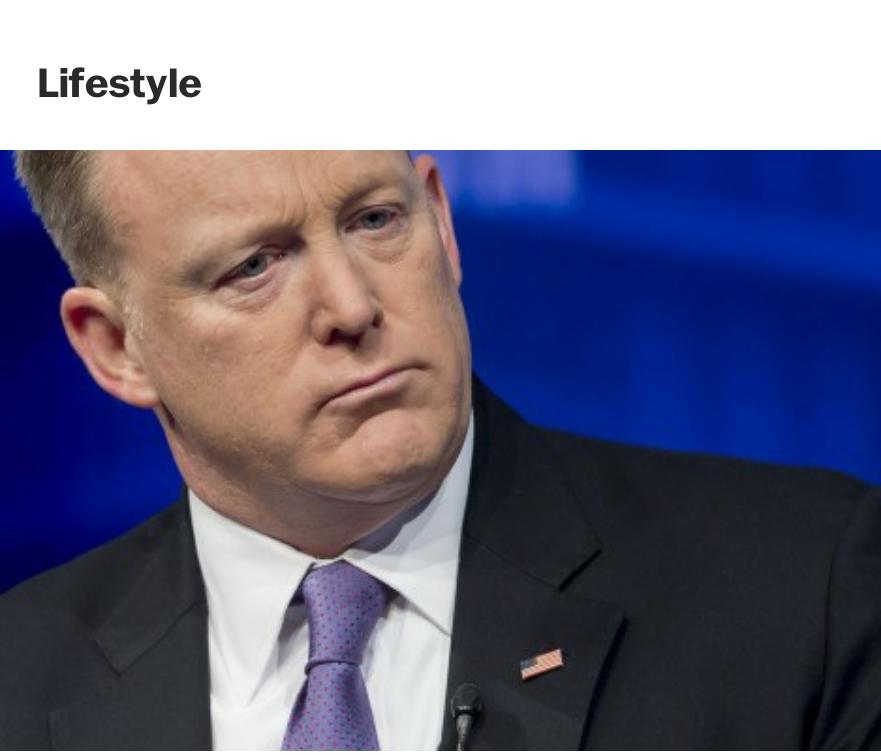


N.C. lawmaker calls Lincoln a 'tyrant,' compares him to Hitler

In defending his proposal to ban same-sex marriage in his state, General Assembly member Larry Pittman wrote on Facebook that the former president was "responsible for the deaths of over 800,000 Americans." The comment arrived a day after another prominent Republican dropped a widely criticized Hitler comparison.

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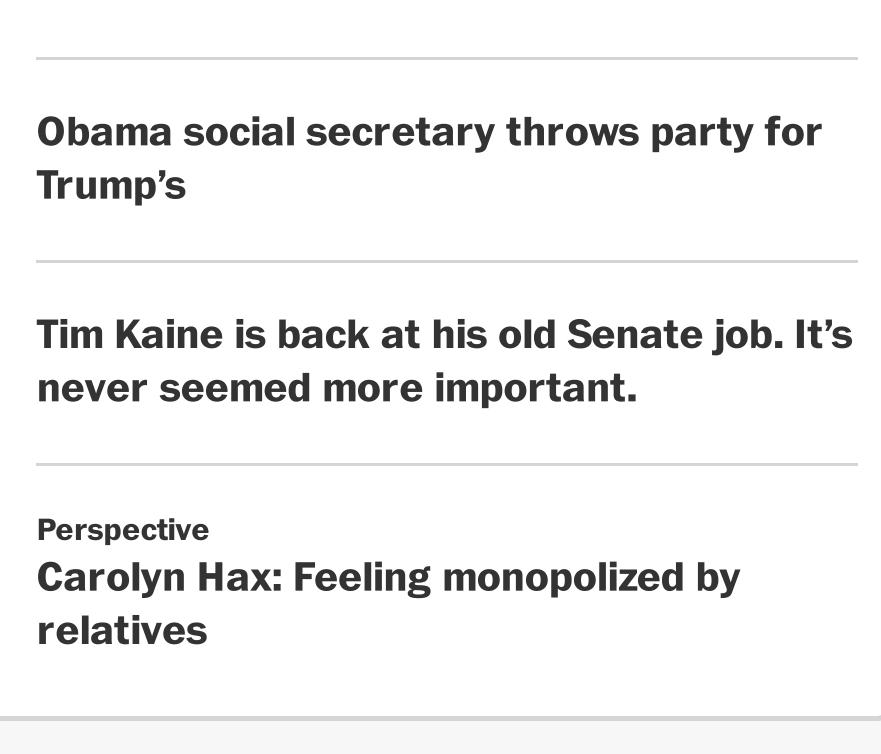
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Burger King thought it had a great idea for an ad. Instead, it ended up with a Whopper of a problem.

The fast-food chain designed a TV commercial to trigger the Google Home device to read out a definition of the signature burger. It backfired in multiple ways.

By Hayley Tsukayama



Video shows an officer slapping, then pummeling a black man accused of jaywalking

Sacramento police later said the jaywalking accusation was unfounded. They've launched an internal investigation and a criminal probe into the officer's behavior.

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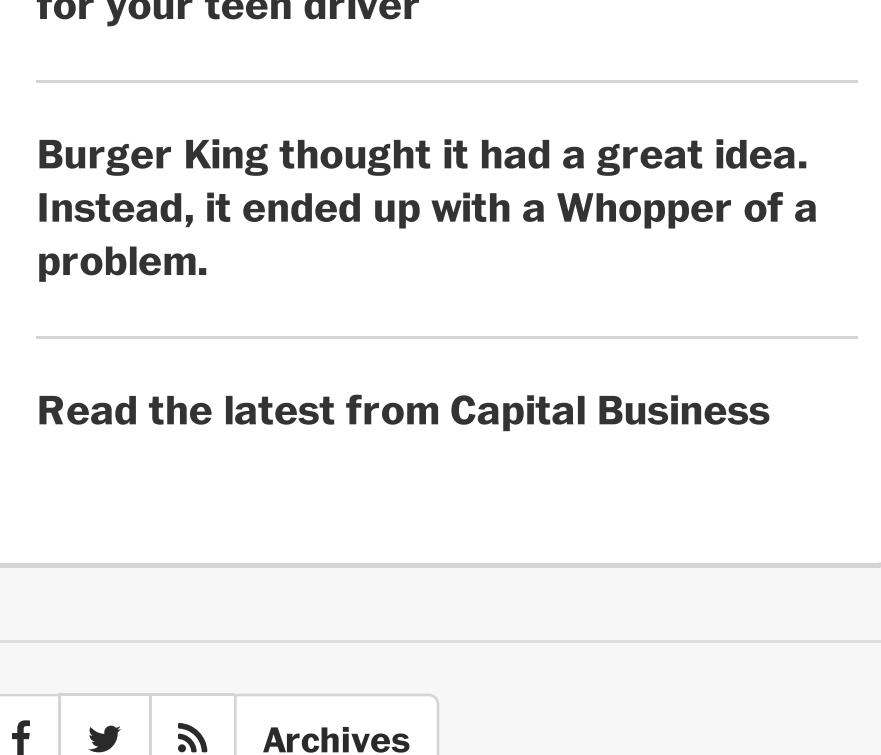


The Fix Analysis: Trump scored a victory over the media, but it came with a huge asterisk

First lady Melania Trump was awarded a reported \$2.9 million in a libel suit — in England.

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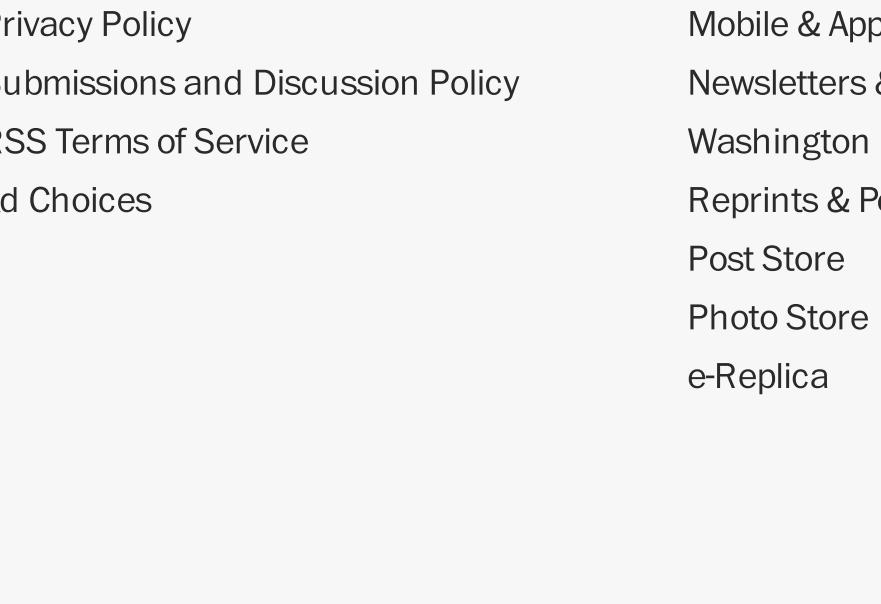


The Fix Analysis: Trump's thoroughly confusing Fox Business interview, annotated

The president offered cryptic comments about FBI Director James Comey, seemed to reverse course on legislative strategy and appeared to brag about striking Syria while eating dessert with Chinese President Xi Jinping.

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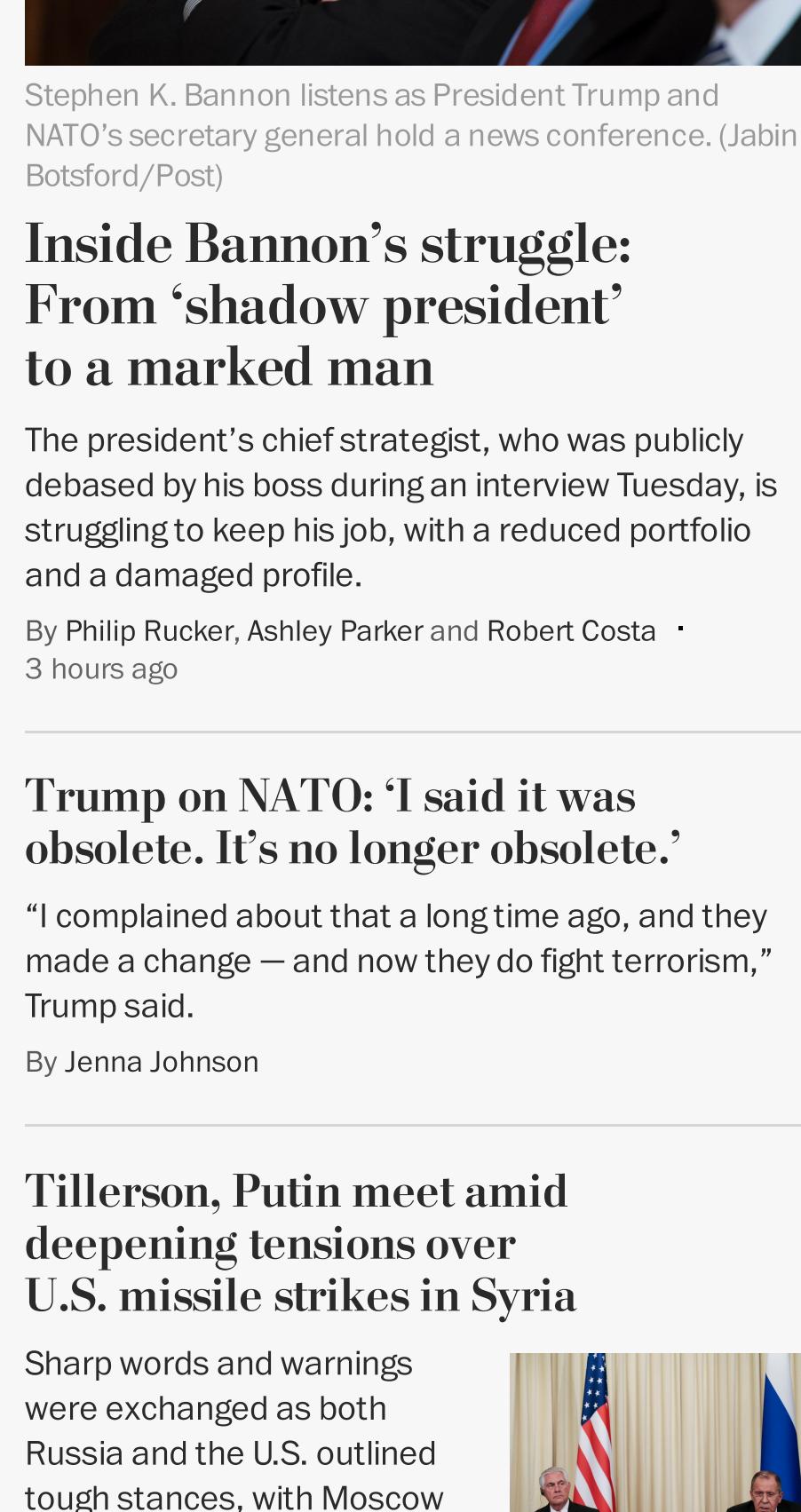
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