



That the American people dismissed the ongoing drama as inside baseball didn't lessen the media's disproportionate attention to it. For most of the country, the names being thrown around – Bannon, Preibus, Conway, Spicer, Kushner, et. al – didn't mean a great deal.

It was seen as all inside the Beltway gossip and brought to mind the acerbic comment by nationally syndicated columnist George Will: "It is impossible to over-emphasize the unimportance of these people."

Through it all, Trump never changed his style (although he changed his mind with great frequency), and charged relentlessly ahead insisting that all was well and functioning smoothly.

Setbacks and defeats were treated as minor annoyances, easily overcome by alternately optimistic or caustic tweets in the pre-dawn hours – just in time to hit the morning talk shows and dominate the narrative for the remainder of the day. And, his propensity for uttering untruths, half-truths and exaggerations continued unabated.

Trump will play the first 100 days game and his administration will issue an extensive list of actions and accomplishments, including meetings with dozens of foreign government leaders and assuming a more aggressive leadership role in world affairs.

It will make the case that re-positioning the United States as a global power with a willingness to use that power is an achievement that cannot be measured in traditional terms of legislation proposed and legislation enacted.

Trump's repeated assertions that the days of the United States being treated as an international doormat are over will be touted as a singular accomplishment that goes beö.

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