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Somebody asked me about this idiotic "PenceCard 2: Electric Boogaloo" article, and people, just stop worrying about this stuff.

The conspiracy wing of the GOP is going to keep pumping out these "Ten Neat Tricks to steal an election [number 8 will shock you!]" articles straight through the inauguration. (Yes - don't expect this to stop after the electoral votes are counted)

None of it is real. None of it has any legal basis. It's fantasy written by fantasists for coping MAGA-ites who find reality just too painful to accept. Ignore it.

This particular flavor of wishcasting was written by Ted Noel. Unless there are two "Ted Noel"s writing nonsense for the American Thinker, Noel is a doctor, not a lawyer or scholar, who nevertheless writes about legal issues (<https://t.co/6Err3q70Wb>)

This actually makes me feel a bit better, because the thought that a *lawyer* could think that Pence had "plenary power" to discard state election certificates for any reason he chose is - even after watching Wood, Powell, Kaardal, and the rest - somehow too hard to contemplate

Look, these people are inventing unicorns to cope. And as each successive "one neat trick" fails - they lose elections, lose court cases, state legislatures don't just toss out election results, Pence doesn't declare certificates invalid on the 4th weds, etc. - it gets weirder

and weirder and weirder. I can't predict where they're going to go next, and neither can you. They're inventing new worlds and new monsters and new frontiers.

Just know that whatever it is, it will only exist inside their heads, and STOP. WORRYING. ABOUT IT.

Feel free to worry about what it means for the country that people believe this lunacy. That's a real problem.

But stop worrying that "but if a pegasus riding a unicorn on stilts appears in Missoula before Biden is inaugurated then the Constitution says the electoral loser gets appointed" is (1) an accurate statement of the law; and (2) a thing that could happen. Just stop.