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Irish folks, this problem isn't just "over there" - w/ the 45% of Republican voters who were OK with this, a president and elected reps who called for it, police who facilitated it and media who are busy spinning it.

The far right is here too.

There are lots votes in Ireland for anti-Traveller candidates, airtime and column inches for far-right and fundamentalist pundits (and Steve Bannon), Guards who treat black and left protestors v differently to the far right. And Trump fans.

Many of the worst Republicans (and many of the cops) in the States are Irish. And US right-wing money pours into our own Youtube etc. grifters and anti-abortion fundis.

And Co. Clare holds a particular place in Trump's heart (and US military transport).

We are this.

Most importantly: here as there, anti-racists and anti-fascists have spent years telling you: these ppl are dangerous.

They have convictions for violence, they work w/ loyalists, UK and Euro fascists, they assault ppl and call for violence.

But you don't listen.

"Both sides" are a problem seemingly. Protesting fascists is as bad as being a fascist. The marketplace of ideas will solve all this. The Guards are impartial and there are bound to be reasons for ... whatever.

Anything rather than listen to ppl who actually know about it.

It's true Ireland isn't the States. Nowhere is.

It's also true the far right and racists have won power in Poland, Hungary, India, Brazil, the US...

79% of Irish voters voted to strip ppl born here of their citizenship.

Irish MEPs voted to let ppl drown in the Mediterranean.

Co Councils consistently fail to live up to their legal obligations on Traveller housing.

And George Nkencho is dead.

Can you notice any of this?

And perhaps, y'know, pay less attention to Sensible Pundits working for media that platform the far right, racist candidates and religious fundamentalists as a matter of course...

... and more attention to ppl who actually know about challenging racism and resisting fascism?

Trump, Orban, Modi, Bolsonaro, Duda, Erdogan ...

These are the times in which you discover what you would *actually* have done in the 1930s and 1940s.

It is whatever you are doing and saying today.

What are you doing today?

If this is all new to you, maybe start by listening to some of the ppl who have been consistently talking about this for years, like

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@masi_asylum
@itmtrav
@FingalTogether
@IzzyKamikaze
@drlucymichael
@ramsireland
@galwayantiRN
@WSMIreland

@Love1solidarity
@Speak4JusticeIE
@CahersiveenDP
@LeahNiD
@TheBeaconIrl
@IrlagainstFash
@BelfastEnd
@pmaceinri
@ChallahArendt
@RonitLentin

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