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The fascist danger is not over: a thread. 1/ What's important is that Trump incited the attack; the administration did not stop him; the chain of command protecting the legislature evaporated; and he is still in office inciting objections to the

2/ The Proud Boys led this, but the militias were largely absent. 45% of Republican voters *support* the attack on Congress. This is what Fox, Parler and the talk radio shows have created: a mass fascist network prepared to overthrow the US Constitution...

3/ There are similar moments in the 1930s... Hitler's Schluss Jetzt slogan in 1932 - "end the republic now" - and Paris 6 Feb 1934, when a fascist mob stormed parliament...



4/ The key is to demand the police do their job while preparing for them to break under pressure and via collusion. That's what let Mussolini's thugs march to power and, in the late stages, allowed the SA to run riot in Germany...

5/ I want all liberal and democratic politicians to say, today, "I am antifascist" - it's a moment to choose: you can't ignore them anymore. We have to fight them as in the 1930s... an alliance of the centre and the left...

6/ The left has stood virtually alone in the USA, alongside black communities and the labor movement, in opposing and naming what this is: fascism. Trump stigmatised Antifa - right out of Mussolini's playbook, as I show in HTSF (forthcoming)...

7/ The Democratic victory on 3 Nov, and also yesterday in Georgia, was an example of the left and centre making tactical alliances to defeat the right/far right - but now it has to go to the streets... as in France 1934-37