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You can find just about anything on The Internet. I was looking for the right words to describe a state of mind so I clicked on Google, typed in "anxiety dream", and i n point 39 seconds Google served up over 5 8 million entries. I didn't need to look any further than the first one:

An anxiety dream is an unpleasant dream which is less disturbing than a nightmare. Anxiety dreams are characterized by the feelings of unease, distress, or apprehension in the dreamer upon waking.

That's exactly what I was looking for. Ain't technology grand?

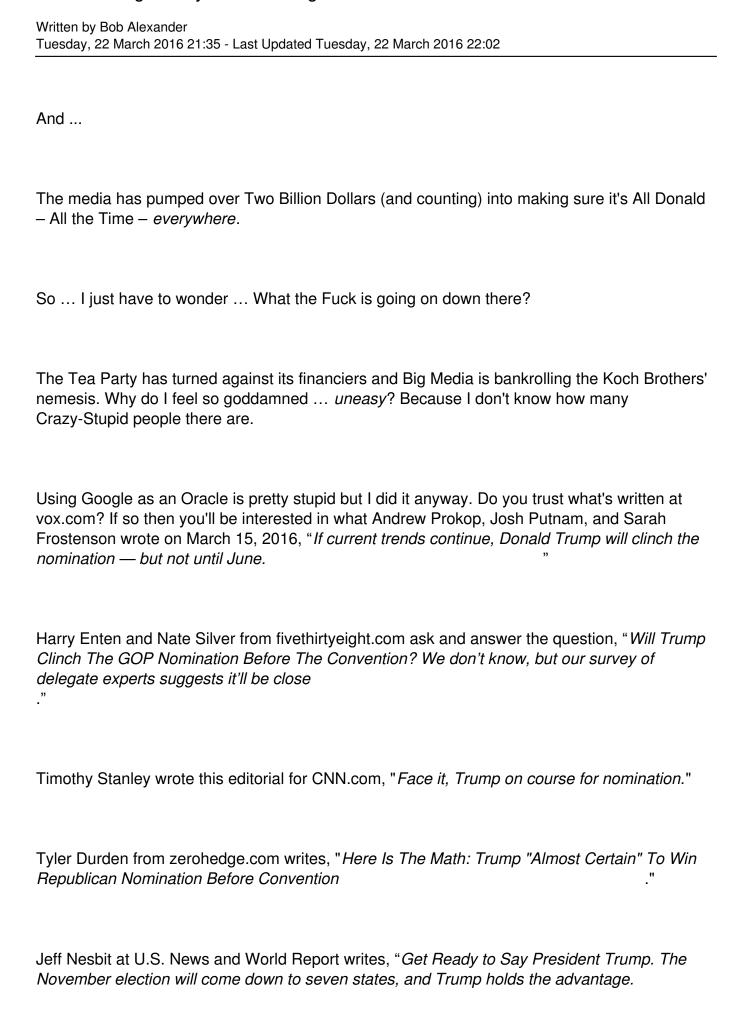
Years ago, if I wanted to get an idea about What's Going On, I could talk to our next door neighbors and the 85 year old World War II vet who lived across the street. Every weekday, just before 3:00 pm, I'd be with all the other moms and dads at the front door of my son's elementary school waiting for our kids to get out. Listening and talking to these folks didn't lead me to think I had my my finger on the pulse-beat of the nation, but at least I had an idea about What's Going On in my little corner of the world. The information I gathered was *firsthand*. I didn't primarily get it from television, newspapers, magazines, or websites. I got it from listening to the people who lived in my city, my neighborhood.

Now we live in Canada. I can tell you all I know about The Great White North but I don't know shit about what's going on in the US. I can call up a couple of people I know, and get their take on Current Events ... but it's *their* impression of What's Going On. I don't have any firsthand knowledge about what appears to be a nation-wide descent into full-blown madness.

I know ... I know ... when it comes to covering the news: If It Bleeds, It Leads and all the networks are cashing in on this particularly bloody political train wreck. It's a very simple

I'm not on Drugs ... Maybe I'm Dreaming Written by Bob Alexander Tuesday, 22 March 2016 21:35 - Last Updated Tuesday, 22 March 2016 22:02 equation: The more people who watch ... the more networks can charge for advertising. As CBS Chairman Les Moonves said, "It may not be good for America, but it's damn good for CBS ... Man, who would have expected the ride we're all having right now? ... The money's rolling in and this is fun. I've never seen anything like this, and this going to be a very good year for us. Sorry. It's a terrible thing to say. But, bring it on, Donald. Keep going When the media pours over *Two Billion Dollars* into covering Donald Trump, you know they're getting a solid-gold-take-it-to-the-bank-Jack return on that investment. Otherwise they wouldn't continue to do it. Click around Google and you'll find ... According to Jonathan Swan, writing for the hill.com, the Koch Brothers hate Donald Trump. "Th ey are always very hesitant to get involved in a primary, but I think if they were going to do it, this would be the time because they just hate the guy ... " said a donor who attended the Koch network's winter retreat. The Koch Brothers hope Trump's campaign tanks so they can avoid spending any of their network's \$889 million 2016 cycle budget against him. The billionaire Koch brothers, Big Tobacco, and wealthy U.S. families and their business interests, spent millions of dollars creating The Tea Party. But ...

Debbie Dooley, "co-founder" of the Tea Party, endorsed Donald Trump in January 2016.



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After clicking around and reading for a couple of hours I realized I Was Completely Wrong when I wrote *The Amazing Criswell Predicts*. I said Trump was just in the race to skim off the campaign slush money and was ultimately going to take a dive. I forgot to factor in a very important component. The curse of the ambitious moron. Ambitious stupidity is the most dangerous type of stupidity because it spreads like wildfire. And Donald Trump is *the*

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Ambitious Moron poster boy. He could actually be delusional enough to think he could be president. And with enough Crazy Stupid People ... he can.

My neighbors know more about American politics than most Americans know about Canadian politics. They've *seen* the U.S. elect George W. Bush ... *twice*. It's not a huge stretch for them to imagine millions of Crazy Stupid Americans electing President Donald Trump. They logically think: if Americans are stupid enough to vote for Bush ... they're certainly capable of voting for Trump. I can't argue against their conclusion because I'm Here ... not There. I don't know how many Crazy-Stupid people there are.

I don't know if Hillary hatred has been factored into the polls. I do know Republicans who would stay home and sit on their hands on Election Day if Bernie was the Democratic candidate. But in the foulest weather imaginable they'd boil out of their houses and line up in droves just to vote against Hillary.

Rational people like Amy Goodman from *Democracy Now, Media Matters*' Angelo Carusone, and a host of sane media people, have all made cogent analyses of the dangers of a Trump candidacy. But those messages are hidden or ignored by the majority of voters. The media continue to fuel the most dangerous candidate in American History (for profit) while simultaneously enforcing a media-wide blackout on Bernie Sanders, the only person capable of defeating Trump.

The anxiety dream turns on a dime into a Very Bad Dream. All the nightmarish components are coalescing. Slowly ... slowly ... we seem inexorably drawn towards *exactly* where we don't want to be. Warnings have

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impact. Every ignominious action that would crash and burn a candidate in prior campaigns

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propels Trump poll numbers higher. Not all natural laws have been abrogated, but up

is certainly starting to feel more like down

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. If you watch television you can see Mussolini and his blackshirts coming into the arena. If you blink ... the picture distorts and rapidly turns into Hitler leading his militia of brownshirts onto the field. But this is America (you think to yourself) ... they are not supposed to be here. Why are they here and how did they get here? And then you see the mobs. Everywhere ... Mussolinii-Hitler-Trump is welcomed by mobs. Just under the surface of America there were always such mobs waiting. They needed permission to crawl out into the daylight to meet their master. Because Master and Minion alike ... they all

thirst for strange blood. The mobs needed permission to drink.

Granted.

"I don't know if I'm dreaming when I sleep or sleeping while I'm awake, but I have reoccurring dreams my mind cannot take "

Stanley Victor Paskavich