Maine: Backers of GE labeling unthinkingly buy conspiracy-based arguments

The following is an edited excerpt.

That the Maine Legislature has determined that the bottle of canola oil I buy at Hannaford might soon be labeled a "genetically modified organism" concerns me not at all. Same with the crackers containing soy lecithin, the ketchup sweetened with high-fructose corn syrup and the shortening made of soybean oil.

I don't care one way or the other whether foods produced using recombinant DNA technologies are labeled. Part of me secretly wishes it to happen, though, because — I have to admit — I like watching clown parades.

What we have in the anti-GMO movement is a dour, fear-entranced Prohibition movement dressed up in the noble finery of "Right To Know."

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