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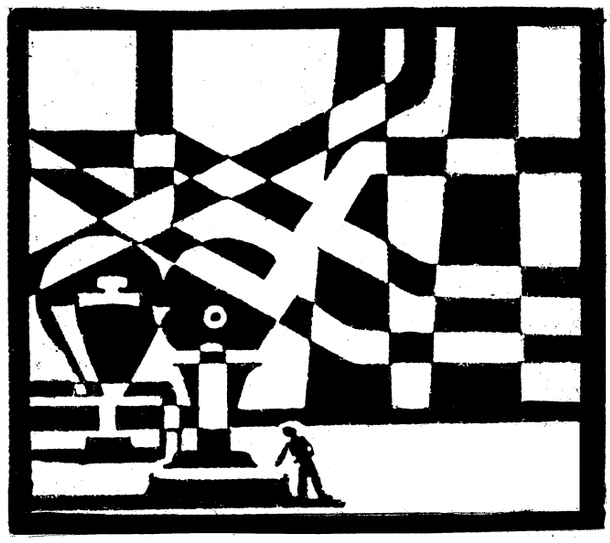
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Thursdays

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Sept. 17 **PALESTINE AND ISRAEL: THE WATER ISSUE**
Peter Sly, natural resources attorney, who recently travelled to the West Bank, will describe the struggle over water supply, treatment, and control in this arid region

Oct. 1 **CORPORATE ELITES AND THEIR SMALL-MINDED POLITICAL SERVANTS ARE CREATING THE INCREDIBLY SHRINKING AMERICA**
Jim Hightower, national radio commentator, fiery and funny public speaker and writer, and author of *Swim Against the Current: Even a Dead Fish Can Go With the Flow* and other popular books. At 7:30 p.m., October 8, in 100 Donald P. Corbett Building, UMaine, Jim Hightower will deliver the Howard B. Schonberger Peace and Social Justice Lecture on "21st Century Populist Movements Are Flourishing at America's Grassroots."

Oct. 8 **FORGIVENESS**
Dave and Gloria Mercer, members of the Bruderhof Community movement, will speak on how the act of forgiving is probably the single most powerful action anyone of us will ever have, with enormous consequences for our families, careers, schools, nations, and the environment. **Note**: This program is in the Totman Room of the Memorial Union.

Oct. 15 **MAHATMA GANDHI'S VIEW OF HIS FAVORITE *BHAGAVAD GITA*: ABSURD? PROFOUND? SUPPORT FOR CAPITALISM OR SOCIALISM?**
Doug Allen, Philosophy

Oct. 22 **THE FIGHT FOR WOMEN'S EQUALITY IN THE CONTEXT OF EL SALVADOR**
Fatima Pacas, graduate of the University of El Salvador and IPM (International Partners in Mission) Regional Coordinator of Latin America and the Caribbean.
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Nov. 12 **CITIZEN RESPONSES TO CLIMATE CHANGE**
Valerie Carter, Bureau of Labor Education, Moderator; **Lyndy Rohman**, Citizens Climate Lobby (CCL), Bangor Chapter; **Tim Godaire**, CCL and Graduate Student in UMaine Climate Change Institute; **Glen Koehler**, Citizens Climate Lobby (CCL), Bangor Chapter; **Hendrik Gideonse**, 350 Bangor/350 Maine.

Nov. 19 **LIBERAL EGALITARIAN VERSUS MARXIST CONCEPTS OF EXPLOITATION**
Michael Howard, Philosophy

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