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GROWTH OF KNOWLEDGE, COMPLEXITY OF SOCIETY DEMAND NEW WAYS  
AND NEW EXTENTS OF LEARNING: GRC PRESIDENT SPEAKS AT MIDWESTERN COMMENCEMENT

WICHITA FALLS --

Our rate of change, continuing to accelerate in population growth and expansion of knowledge, forces innovation in the ways men learn and the extent to which they learn, Gifford K. Johnson said here today. (Saturday)

He made the Commencement address at Midwestern University's convocation.

Mr. Johnson is president of the Graduate Research Center of the Southwest at Dallas.

Changes of technology, he said, including ease of communications and rapid travel, have brought strong desires to peoples the world over for immediate material and social improvement. It takes highly-trained, wise people to cope with the tide-like forces of change, he said.

To become indoctrinated in any set of fixed beliefs, he said, by any kind of education, insures early obsolescence. "Instead, there should be the development of skills, attitudes, and habits of mind," he said, "and the kinds of knowledge and understanding that will be instruments of continuous change and growth. Our pressing need is to educate, to become educated, and to continue education in order to meet change head-on."

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