'Aging idiots' gloomy world forecast for grads

The current generation of young university graduates will find their future rather gloomy, a top Canadian university professor said yesterday.

The Montreal-based professor, Dr. Erving Gottman, who was awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree by the University of Manitoba yesterday, said young graduates should expect a gloomy future because of the world's "dysfunctional" social structure.

"Young graduates will find that the world is more stressful and more difficult to navigate," Dr. Gottman said.

"The world today is more complex and more uncertain than ever before," he said. "Young graduates must be prepared to face these challenges and to find ways to overcome them."