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To the Editor of The Nation.

Sir: In a recent number of The Nation, Dr. Henry H. Knowles states in relation to science that "the progress of science has been so rapid of late that most students of science have to trust to textbooks to keep up with the world." This statement is not well founded. The progress of science has been so overwhelming that it is impossible for a single person to keep up with all of it. The only way to keep up is to specialize in a particular field and to become expert in that one area.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Editor,

[Response from the Editor]

Sir: I appreciate your concern for the advancement of science. However, it is impossible for a single person to keep up with all the latest developments in all fields. The only way to keep up is to specialize in a particular field and become expert in that one area. This does not mean that one should stop learning about other fields, but rather that one should focus on a specific area of interest.

Sincerely,

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