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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Too Big To Grasp

To the News and Courier:

In connection with your leading editorial on Dec. 29, I quote the following from "The Diary of a Drug Fiend," by Aleister Crowley, published in London in 1922:

"Just as the Roman Empire began to break down when it became universal, when it was so large that no individual mind could grasp the problems which it postulated, so today, the spread of vulgar education and the development of facilities for transport have got ahead of the possibilities of the best minds. The increase of knowledge has forced the thinkers to specialize, with the result that there is nobody capable to deal with civilization as a whole.

"We are playing a game of chess in which nobody can see more than two or three squares at once, and so it has become impossible to form a coherent plan."

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