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The objects of this Society are, through research, discussion, publication and other appropriate means:

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2. To secure the gradual elimination of unnecessary effort and of unduly burdensome toil in the accomplishment of the work of the world.
3. To promote the scientific study and teaching of the principles governing organized effort, and of the mechanisms of their adaptations and application under varying and changing conditions.
4. To promote general recognition of the fact that the evaluation and application of these principles and mechanisms are the mutual concern of the community, the worker, the manager and the employer.
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Comment

IN THIS issue we continue publication of the papers and discussions of the December Meeting. Mr. Platte presents an interesting case of the manner in which scientific management is being applied in the field of marketing. It represents extension of the effort to stabilize operations through research, standardization and control. The first efforts to secure stability were concerned with production but so long as the flow of orders remains unstable, it is impossible to secure complete stability of the shop. Today efforts are being made by application of the same principles to secure stability in the flow of orders, both as to total volume and the relative proportion of separate items. Stabilization of selling promotes stabilization of production.

THE industrial code was one of the noteworthy products of the December Meeting and has attracted national attention. To be sure there may not be in it an item which has not already been practiced or advocated, but the assembly in one document of the progressive concepts pertaining to employer-employee relations by so representative and responsible a group as the Taylor Society is an event of public significance. It is interesting to recall that twenty years ago many believed that scientific management was harsh and cold, and looked upon labor as just another machine! The scope of scientific management is beginning to be understood and appreciated.

IN THESE days when mass production, technological unemployment and discharge of older workers are so much discussed, it is refreshing to realize that there are enterprises "in which ounceage and not tonnage prevails; where diversification prevails over simplification; where the experience of age proves an acceptable substitute for the speed of youth, and where quality and not mass distinguishes the product." Therefore Mr. Henderson's article will be read with interest. It will also suggest the interesting thought that perhaps such industries are not to disappear with the development of mass production, but that, as the latter is applied more and more to the production of commodities of common use, the purchasing power thereby saved by lower costs will be turned to the purchase of a great variety of items distinguished by quality and style, and the two types of enterprise will flourish side by side.