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It is hoped that research scholars who have an interest in Southern African Studies, will contribute to this journal and so help it to achieve and maintain an academic and professional standard of which any university can be very proud. Welcome Pula! Long live Pula.

May, 1978

N. G. H. Setidisho
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