INTRODUCTION

In the last issue of English Usage in Southern Africa we mentioned that we intended supplying a further justification for our decisions once we had analysed our readers' responses. Although our journal is forwarded to more than two hundred and fifty readers, at their request, the suggestions we receive are few and far between and usually come from those people who have supported us since first we began work on the project. Constructive criticism is not only welcome but necessary to the comprehensiveness of our success.

In this issue we have included a brief summary of a thesis on the use of English among members of our Indian community. This statement gives an indication of the range of English usage in this country, and proves that a great deal of research still needs to be undertaken in the field of English in Southern Africa. We are grateful to the author Dr D. Bughwan, and to the University of South Africa for making the summary available to us.

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