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Editor's Note

The I.U. Axolotl Colony is healthy! It has been a good year. In addition to supplying outside laboratories with experimental material, we have been expanding our own interests to include studies on mating behavior (see article by Eisthen) and physiology (see article by Radice). As a consequence, our background knowledge of several aspects of axolotl husbandry has increased substantially in the past few years. Interested research scientists should, therefore, feel encouraged to communicate with the I.U. Axolotl Colony (see note on "Communications"—p. 3) to discuss a variety of aspects of axolotl biology.

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