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## Editor's Note

After several years of association with the I.U. Axolotl Colony Mr. Larry Lawrence will be departing later this spring. He recently was awarded an M.B.A. degree from the I.U. Business School. He plans to move to the Washington, D.C. area soon, and begin working for a firm which specializes in designing computer based-data analysis systems.

Mr. Lawrence has served the I.U. Axolotl Colony well, and in several capacities. For several years he held the position of "colony manager". During those years he oversaw the substantial expansion of the colony. From a few hundred animals housed in relatively small rooms, the colony expanded during his tenure (and with his guidance) to occupy several rooms in the Jordan Hall of Biology animal quarters. The number of animals approximately tripled. The scope of the colony's operation has also increased substantially during his employment. Several new mutant genes have been recognized, and the spectrum of services provided by the colony has expanded. Most recently, Mr. Lawrence has functioned in an administrative capacity. He has organized the financial affairs of the colony, instrumented several procedural changes, and directed the search for the personnel (eg. Fran Bacher-Briggs, Nathan Montoya, Anne Vestuto, etc.) who now manage the I.U. Axolotl Colony.

It is with a spirit of appreciation and personal affection, and sense of accomplishment that the present colony staff bid him farewell--we wish him good fortune in his future endeavors!

As one of his last accomplishments he has prepared the present issue of the Newsletter. It represents the first significant attempt to assemble information from diverse laboratories on "Disease Control". We thank Mr. Lawrence for collating the contributions for this issue. We also extend our appreciation to the contributors to this issue. Future issues of the Newsletter will expand on some of the themes discussed in this issue.

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