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and displays would eliminate the "bone bank" at Mead, Tanner said. The bone bank is part of the vertebrate paleantology collection housed at the University Field Lab at Mead.

Gunderson said when geology classes are moved from Morrill Hall, more space will be open for exhibits. No date has been set for moving the classes.

Gunderson estimated over 250,000 visitors toured the Morrill Hall last year.

Most of the museum's collection is rare, Gunderson said, but added that theft and damage of exhibits is "not as much of a problem as might be expected."

The research and collections of the museum are not open to the public, Tanner said. He explained that many of the specimens are "one of a kind" and said the museum is obligated to protect these for others who want to study them.

Scientists, professors, graduate students and students working on special projects which require use of the collection may obtain permission to use the collection, Tanner said.

Scientists from across the globe have come to the museum to study the collections, Tanner said. He added the museum is fortunate to be located in a state which has several florae and funae of scientific value.

New exhibits are constantly being planned, Gunderson said. He plans to build a health gallery in the museum with displays describing preventive medicine and environmental adaptation, he said.

The gallery will be built from private donations received by the University of Nebraska Foundation, he said. He estimated the cost of the gallery at \$100,000.



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