

**Study of Shale Deposits In
State to Be Made.**

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The United States Bureau of Mines will make a study to determine the economic possibilities of west central Arkansas's many tons of graphite-bearing shale deposits, Dr. George C. Branner, state geologist, said yesterday.

The bureau will consider a proposal to concentrate graphite from the shale. Several deposits are "unusually high" in graphite, Dr. Branner said. It is used as a lubricant and in electrical instruments.