

April 25, 1918.

Hon. George Otis Smith, Director,
U. S. Geological Survey,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter of April 23, and am obliged to you for furnishing the data relative to the asbestos deposit in the Grand Canyon of Arizona. In this connection I beg to direct your attention to Section 6 of S. 390, a bill to establish the Grand Canyon National Park, which has been favorably reported to the Senate. I shall be greatly obliged if you will advise me as to whether, in your opinion, the mining of the asbestos deposits in the Grand Canyon will be inconsistent with the primary purpose of the proposed national park.

Any information that you can give me relative to the methods of mining for asbestos will be appreciated.

Yours very respectfully,

M. C. Arizona.