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their maps they saw that that area was one which had hardly any towns in it. They would stop in it, where if a man landed he would have to go fifty miles to get to water, and how would he know which direction to go to find water? There were great forests in it, there were ^{stretches of} great deserts, there were tremendous ravines where he might have landed on the side and gone head over heels. There were great areas covered with pasture where it would have been almost impossible to have landed safely, and as they looked at it and they saw all of these things and wondered where these men might have landed, they saw something which made them even more fearful of what might have happened, and that was that this stretch of land in which they might have come down/had something running across it in a curving line, across this area fifty miles across, and that was a section of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado River.

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and then looked down from it as you could to the river below, you would find that that was over a mile from that line from the ridge down to the Colorado River below, and so it is that tremendous canyon which winds across ^{through} this area, and they thought, "Suppose those men have landed in that canyon. Would it be possible to find them? Would it be possible that they could have landed down there and have landed safely and not have been killed in the landing?" There was that rapid Colorado River winding down the middle. On the sides of it it is somewhat like a layer cake, if you would cut a V shape into a layer cake. You have different types of strata as you come up which appear on both sides and some of these are very steep, other less steep, so that you have a sheer drop of several hundred feet and then a more gradual drop and then another sheer drop and so on down and as they looked at that on the map they thought, "If they landed there, could we ever find them?" So they set to work with planes. There was no use trying to comb the territory with people, of course. It would take a whole army to do it. They set to work with planes, flying over the area, to endeavor to find those men if at all possible. They couldn't fly down very