

You leave your car up there and the chances of anybody coming by there is one in 100. Leave your car up there and walk down here to Mohave Saddle. Now at that Saddle you see there is a stream coming this way and a stream going that way -- I don't know if you should call it a stream -- it's a place where there might be a stream if you got a cloud burst.

But from Mohave Saddle you go down here about a mile and there is Powell Spring which is a good spring. But on the other hand if you go this way about a quarter of a mile, on the east side there there was a place where water trickled out of the side of the hill and I could get a gal. in 5 min. Occasionally I found cows in there and they are not supposed to be in there but they were in that part. But there are these two springs, so you'd have access to plenty of water. You would not have to carry any till you got to that point.

Now here, the first trip I made from there was to go up onto this Powell Plateau. There you have shade trees and it's high up about as high as the top of the Canyon. So, you see it's not so hot. I saw an old map that showed a trail that came out here to Dutton Point, where you look right down this way. And it showed another trail that came right down here to Wheeler Point and another that came out here to Ives Point. You see they give you ~~off~~ Three different tremendous views into the Canyon! Now those trails have largely disappeared, but that is fairly flat.

(So a person could hike down here without a trail. Is that right?)

You'd have a little problem finding it. Because if you start at any one of these places -- at Dutton Point or Wheeler Point or Ives Point, without any trail, you start back and it's the simplest thing in the world. Simply keep on the high ground and you get back. But when you come to go, you notice how all these little bits of stream go out each way, so that you have to find your way in between them to keep on the high ground. That would take a little bit of exploring which you would doubtless enjoy. But it's just through trees. You don't have much view while you are ~~XXXXXX~~ doing it. But it's not very many miles there, and when you get out to the end, then you've got glorious view in all directions.

You see, you could go from here up to there. You could take two or three days around this Powell Plateau and come back to here, and you would not have to carry water for more than two or three days.

That's one trip you could make from Mohave Saddle here. Another trip from Mohave Saddle would be from Thunder River. That is a very interesting trip. There is an old trail, which has probably largely disappeared now, but would not be too hard to find, because you can't go very high or low. You go down here to Powell Spring and then your trail winds around here and it takes you eventually around here and then drops you down into this Petes Creek. It's not clear down there. The creek comes out of the side of the ground. It comes pouring out. Say 10 ft. across and 3 ft. down. That water just comes pouring out of the side of the hill and then goes out to the river. They call that Thunder River. Few people get to it.