Oil slick from break in pipeline



Description
Oil slick caused by crude oil trapped between emergency gate valves, shut when flood damage occurred in "Big Inch" river crossing, seeped to the surface along bank of Arkansas River to mark the point of break in 24 inch War Emergency Pipeline. Raging water gouged back hundred of feet of river bank and caused the "Big Inch" to break far north of the river channel.

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8x10 inches (21x26 cm) Black & White

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