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#### Proposal Link:

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## Source 1:

- McKee, G., 2017. Stadiums and Arenas. *Encyclopedia of greater philadelphia*. Available at: <u>https://philadelphiaencyclopedia.org/archive/stadiums-and-arenas/</u> [Accessed January 26, 2022].
- This website was an excellent starting point for my project, as it included immense information about my topic and also provided more readings that I can do in the future to improve my research. It had dated history for pretty much every stadium and team that had played in the city of Philadelphia dating back to the late 1890s which is exactly what I needed. This encyclopedia was extremely helpful in the preliminary notes I am taking and will be crucial to the essays I will write in the future. It also included great pictures that I may be able to use for the photo comparables later in the project.

#### Source 2:

- Romero, M., 2016. 6 old stadiums in Philadelphia you probably didn't know about. *Curbed Philly*. Available at: <u>https://philly.curbed.com/2016/2/3/10942430/old-stadiums-philadelphia-shibe-park-baker</u> <u>-bowl-frankford-stadium</u> [Accessed January 26, 2022].
- This source was able to clearly outline the history of some of the lesser known stadiums of the city and will be vital when I make the list of which stadiums to study. I appreciate the information, the pictures, and the dates this article employed as well as listing some of the players that are shown that "ran" the particular stadium. This is something I wanted to incorporate into my project, showing stats of some of the guys that led the Philly teams in the respective stadium. Articles like this are exactly what I want to have in this bibliography and are exactly how I can build this project.

## Source 3:

- Szilagyi, M. et al., 2015. Unearthing a lost temple. *Hidden City Philadelphia*. Available at: <a href="https://hiddencityphila.org/2015/12/unearthing-a-lost-temple/">https://hiddencityphila.org/2015/12/unearthing-a-lost-temple/</a> [Accessed January 26, 2022].
- This article detailed some of the college stadiums in the city, specifically targeting the stadiums and history of Temple athletic fields. It went into intense detail and had information dating back decades. If I decide to go into the full realm of college and amateur athletics in this city, articles like these are how I will do that. That type of information will lead the project and being able to have accurate first hand accounts will

help. One limitation of this source was the lack of player information from this time period in these stadiums.

#### Source: 4

- Anon, 2017. Then and now: A historic look at Philadelphia's ballparks. *PhillyVoice*. Available at: <u>https://www.phillyvoice.com/then-and-now-a-historic-look-at-philadelphias-ballparks/</u> [Accessed January 26, 2022].
- This source had an excellent picture on the cover and that set the tone for an outstanding and informative article. I really appreciate the information about what these areas are serving now and how and why the nearby neighborhoods around the old stadiums deteriorated. This article went into some of the race elements that I was hoping to explore. White flight in industrial North Philly contributed to the deterioration of these areas and ultimately the movement of all the stadiums to South Philly and more recently the modern sports complex. One limitation of this source was the lack of information about the gray area during the wars about what happened to the stadiums.

#### Source 5:

- Flaherty, D., 2019. The Grand Slam of 1980 Philadelphia Sports. *thesportsnotebook.com*. Available at: <u>https://thesportsnotebook.com/the-philadelphia-story-the-1980-phillies-flyers-sixers-eagles/</u> <u>es/</u> [Accessed January 26, 2022].
- I liked this article/source due to the fact that it explored a specific era of Philly sports. The 1980s were the golden age of many of the sports teams but that was not necessarily true for the stadiums. While the teams may have succeeded, Veterans Stadiums or "The Vet" was one of the worst stadiums in professional sports. The turf was awful and had a legendarily bad reputation. The 700 level became infamous for the menacing and angry fans that often sat there. This gave Philly its reputation as having passionate and violent fans.

## Source 6:

- Various Authors, 2018. Philly Sports History. phillysportshistory.com. Available at <a href="https://phillysportshistory.com/">https://phillysportshistory.com/</a> [Accessed January 28, 2022]
- This website was an excellent information hub of Philadelphia sports history. I was able to take notes and gather crucial information that will be vital to my project. It covered all of the major sports and went as far back as the 19th century. Sources like this are exactly what I need to make this project soar. However one limitation this source had was that it was the lack of organization, with the sheer amount of information available it was hard to keep track of what I needed.

## Source 7:

- Association Press. 2020. The Best Five Years in Philadelphia Sports History. Nbcscports.com. Available at <u>https://www.nbcsports.com/philadelphia/home-page/five-best-years-philadelphia-sports-h</u> istory [Accessed January 28, 2022]
- This article gave me a rundown of the success stories of sports in this city. Some of the information here will help me choose some of the stadiums/stories to highlight. This will be super important when it comes to writing the essays and gives me good content for the reflection paper. However some of the limitations of this source were that it only covered one side of the spectrum (pun very much intended), as a list of good years it is very positive. I will need to find a source that goes over the bad side and the not so good years of Philadelphia sports.

## Source 8:

- Rick Westcott. 2001. A Century of Philadelphia Sports. Book. Available at <u>https://tupress.temple.edu/book/3077</u>. [Accessed January 28, 2022]
- This is actually a book that I plan to purchase in the future. It is a detailed account of Philly sports in the 20th century and could have some great primary source info that I could use in my project, the early period of pro sports between the World Wars is a relatively unknown time and supposedly this book covers that in depth. Being able to use this book to write my paper would be super helpful and would add some credibility to it as well. This source lacks any information from the last 20 years but I wasn't really planning on covering much of that anyway.

# Source 9:

- Damichael Cole. 2021. The 1905 Philadelphia Giants. Inquirer.com. Available at <u>https://www.inquirer.com/phillies/black-history-month-1905-philadelphia-giants-baseball-</u> <u>20210218.html</u>. [Accessed January 28, 2022]
- I really wanted to go into some little known Philly sports history, such as the Negro League teams of the early to mid 20th century. These teams most barnstormed and played at stadiums and fields all around the east coast and they had a few specific locations around the city of Philadelphia. This source was a great place to find historical information about these teams and their successes and ultimate demise. It lacked some info about the origination of the teams but much of that I already knew.

# Source 10:

- Naomii Brack. 2020. Philadelphia Giants and Philadelphia Stars. Blackpast.org. Available at <u>https://www.blackpast.org/african-american-history/philadelphia-giants-1902-1911/</u>. Accessed [January 28, 2022]
- Another historical source about the Negro Leagues and their history in Philly. This article actually went into detail about what stadiums these teams played in which will be very important info for my project and the writing of the essays. It had a couple of primary sources from members of the team and the people who organized it and I was very

excited about what I can take away from this article. It lacked a bit of history past the 1910s but I already have a sizable amount anyway.