## **Research Report and Annotated Bibliography**

## **Assignment Guidelines**

- 1. Write an introduction to the Research Report.
  - a. The introduction may describe your process, highlight particularly important findings, admit to any absences or silences.
  - b. The introduction should highlight any connections you can make between the sites you have studied and the theme you have chosen
  - c. The introduction may also identify any additional, related themes that you discovered in your research
- 2. Write a contextualizing section in which you examine the history of Oella through the lens of the theme you have chosen and explore the broader historical context, relevant scholarship, and local history
- 3. Write individual histories for the specific sites you have chosen/identified
  - a. Each individual history should be a more-or-less "complete" history of a single site
  - b. Each should read like a stand-alone paper
  - c. Each should connect with the theme you chose
  - d. Each should be crafted as a compelling story or series of stories, ideally focused on human activity and people rather than organizations or institutions or large forces
- 4. Write a conclusion
  - a. The conclusion may identify stories for each site that seem most compelling for the app.
  - b. The conclusion can also make suggestions for additional stories worth further research
  - c. The conclusion can also identify stories you were unable to tell because you could not find appropriate resources
- 5. Include an annotated bibliography
  - a. Your clients should be able to re-trace your steps or follow up on your leads
  - b. Tell them what you found and where
  - c. Direct them to resources you found but did not use, and explain why
  - d. Differentiate between primary and secondary sources