Annnotated Bibliography Assignment

Directions: Write an annotated bibliography entry for each of your first two sources for your NHD project. Your page should look like this:

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Annotated Bibliography

Primary Sources (you will have several by the end of the project)

Citation of Source

Description of source. The NHD Contest Rule Book states that the annotations "must explain how the source was used and how it helped you understand your topic." See below for more information.

Secondary Sources (you will have several by the end of the project)

Citation

Description (2-4 sentences)

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To see the complete NHD rules for an Annotated Bibliography, go to: https://nhd.org/annotated-bibliography

Excerpt from the NHD site:

THREE COMPONENTS OF A GOOD ANNOTATION

1. It identifies what type of source this is (song, poem, book, website, journal article, diary entry, newspaper article, you get the drift....)

2. How was the source used?

3. How did the source help you understand your topic and create your project?

So for my book, my annotation would look something like this:


This biography of Theodore Roosevelt helped me understand the way in which Philippe Bunau Varilla was able to get President Roosevelt to recognize the revolutionary government of Panama. It also gave me details regarding the specific treaties signed between the two nations that gave the U.S. control of the canal zone.

Annotations and citations should be single-spaced, and all lines after the first line are tabbed in one-half (1/2) inch. An annotation normally should be about 2-4 sentences long. Really long annotations generally do not impress people. Get to the point! Please understand that it is NOT the purpose of an annotation to summarize the book but to assess its value to your research. The NHD Contest Rule Book states that the annotations “must explain how the source was used and how it helped you understand your topic.” Do not recount what the source said in detail.