November Climate Highlight:
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November’s climate highlight compares October’s monthly mean temperatures for Pittsburgh (since 1870) to those of Philadelphia (since 1825).
When the October mean temperatures for Philadelphia (since 1825) and Pittsburgh (since 1870) are compared, there is a fascinating disparity in the two trends. Granted that both sites have a data gap in the 1930’s and 1940’s and the actual observation site has moved around the city, nevertheless, the downward trend at Pittsburgh is obvious as is the upward trend in Philadelphia. It should be noted that despite these local trends, the mean annual temperature of Pennsylvania has steadily risen for the last 25 years.