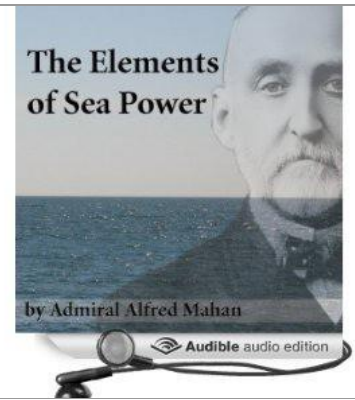


Alfred Thayer Mahan

AKA "The Admiral"; believed that America should be a world power and that in order for it to be it needed a strong navy AND access to a canal through Central America



Big Stick Policy

AKA "The Roosevelt Corollary" to the Monroe Doctrine; stated that the U.S. would provide the muscle (military) to collect other nations' debts in the Western Hemisphere



De Lôme Letter

a letter written by a Spanish ambassador that was insulting to President McKinley and outraged the American people

Dollar Diplomacy

practice of gaining control of Latin American banks and industries through American investment

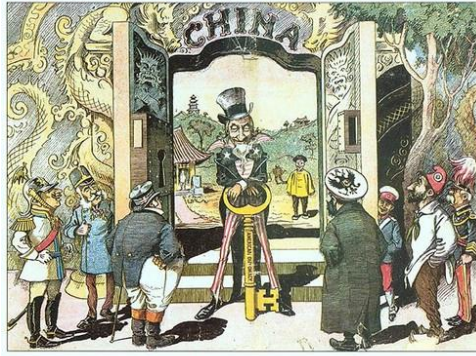


Imperialism (AKA Expansionism)

the practice of taking over (annexing) foreign lands to create an overseas empire - sometimes for raw materials (industry), sometimes to prove how great a nation is (nationalism), sometimes for strategic reasons (military bases), sometimes to make life "better" for "inferior" people (racism)



John Hay



AKA "The Secretary"; U.S. Secretary of State who announced the Open Door Policy with China

Joseph Pulitzer & William Randolph Hearst



AKA "The Moguls"; owners of large, influential newspapers that engaged in yellow journalism

Open Door Policy



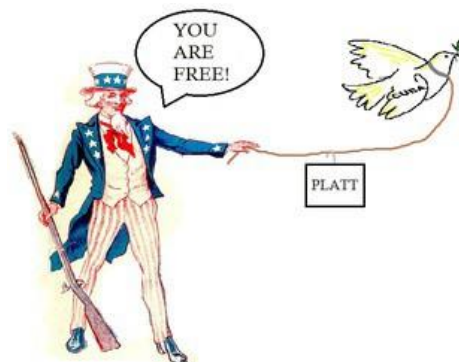
the U.S. didn't want to expand into China but DID want to trade there, so it said that all nations should have open access to trade

Panama Canal

The U.S. got control over a strip of land in Panama and built this important canal to move trading and military ships through, at the cost of 1000s of lives and \$400 million



Platt Amendment



an amendment that was added to the Cuban constitution that gave the U.S. the right to intervene in Cuban affairs any time it saw fit to

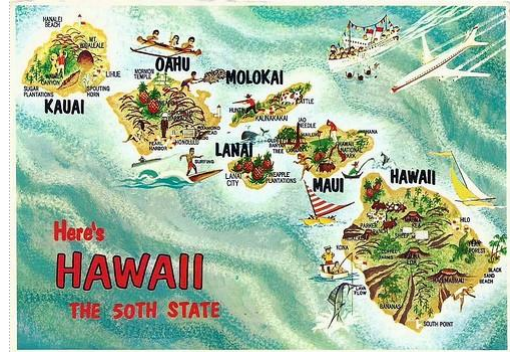
Queen Liliuokalani

AKA "The Last Queen"; ruler of Hawaii who was overthrown by American businessmen and landowners



Sanford B. Dole

AKA "Pineapple Dumbledore"; led the government in Hawaii until the U.S. annexed it officially (took it over)



Spanish-American War

this war was considered a turning point in history because it showed the emergence of the U.S. as a modern world power; U.S. got control of Philippines, Puerto Rico, and Guam



Theodore Roosevelt

AKA "Big Teddy"; hero of the Spanish-American War; went on to become president and believed that America should have a strong place in the world, especially the Western Hemisphere



U.S.S. Maine

U.S. naval ship that exploded in Havana, Cuba. Yellow journalism caused Americans to blame the Spanish and this led to war



Yellow Journalism



newspaper reporting that was sensationalized and biased.
It was meant to create drama and to hook readers rather
than to report truth