American Imperialism
Claiming an Empire
Ten thousand miles from tip to tip.—Philadelphia Press.
From Isolation to Imperialism

“A LESSON FOR ANTI-EXPANSIONISTS.”
“Showing how Uncle Sam has been an expansionist first, last, and all the time.”

Imperialism Under McKinley

A War with Spain

Causes:

- Economic Interests in Cuba
- Yellow Journalism
- Explosion of the U.S.S. Maine

Effects:

- Land Acquisitions – Puerto Rico, Guam and Philippines
- Cuba became a Protectorate
- America proved its global power

“A Splendid Little War”:

- U.S. dominated
- Only lasted a few months
- Teddy Roosevelt and the “Rough Riders”
- The Battle for the Philippines
Imperialism Under McKinley

Eyes On Hawaii

- U.S. interests were in Chinese trade, sugar plantations and a naval base
- U.S. efforts deposed Hawaii’s monarch and created a new government
- U.S. annexed Hawaii in 1898

Queen Liliʻuokalani
Imperialism Under McKinley

China: An Open Door Policy

- European nations had carved China into "spheres of influence" - places of political and economic domination - forbidding free trade
- U.S. wanted a piece of the trade action
- Secretary of State John Hay proposed a policy that would give equal trading rights in China.
- Open Door policy also urged all foreigners to obey Chinese law
- This was move to enhance fair competition
Imperialism Under McKinley
Roosevelt's Big Stick Diplomacy

The Roosevelt Corollary
Roosevelt’s Big Stick Diplomacy

Panama Canal (1903):

- President Roosevelt wanted it built
- Would assist U.S. in trade and with Navy by connecting the Atlantic and Pacific
- U.S. encouraged (backed) Panama’s independence from Colombia in order to get access to the canal zone
- U.S. gained right to build and run canal
Roosevelt's Big Stick Diplomacy

Meeting of the Atlantic and Pacific
"The Kiss of the Oceans"
President Taft urged banks and businesses to invest in Latin America.

He promised U.S. would step in if civil unrest threatened American investments.

This was a more passive imperialism.
The colony of the Govern is a good thing in theory, but very rare in fact.

England has governed her colonies whether they consented or not, by not waiting for their consent. She has greatly advanced the world's civilization.

The U.S. must govern its new territory with or without their consent until they can govern themselves.
DECLINED WITH THANKS.

The Artist.—Here, take a dose of this anti-fat and get thin again?

Uncle Sam.—No, Sunny! I never did tell any of that stuff, and I'm too old to begin!
GROWTH OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE OCCURRED FROM THE LATE 1800'S TO WWI. THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF THE "GLOBAL ECONOMY".

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