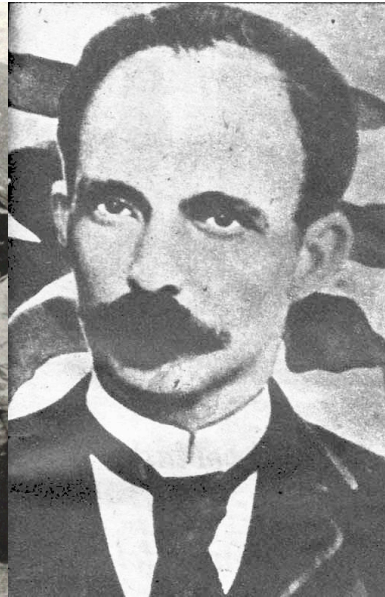


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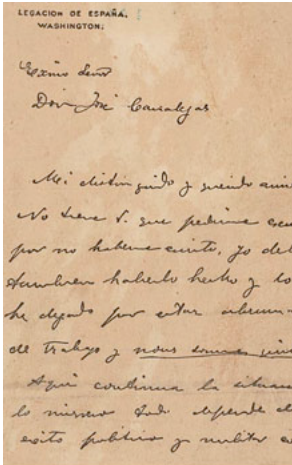
# Long-Term Causes

- 1895 – Cuban Civil War
- US humanitarian goals → reaction against policy of **reconcentration** (barbed wired cities of people with armed guards)
- **Yellow Journalism** (Hearst's Journal, Pulitzer's World/Cuban propaganda)
- Economic Expansion



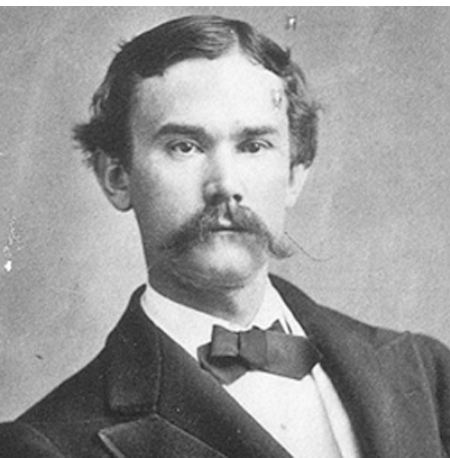
# Remember the Maine!

- 2/9/1898 – **Dupuy de Lome** letter – Spanish minister who wrote describing McKinley as weak
- 2/15 – Battleship **Maine** blown up, 260 sailors die
  - McKinley offers peace in exchange for an end to hostilities & independence for Cuba → Spain returns with an end to hostility, but not independence →
- 4/19 – Congress declares war on Spain; **Teller Amendment** – US promises a free Cuba w/ victory



# USA! USA!

- 10-week war; very popular w/ American public; over before it started
- Comm. **George Dewey** – naval victory in Manila Bay less than a week after war started
- C. US Army was poorly equipped (wool uniforms, lack of supplies) but Spain was even less prepared



“A splendid little war”  
– John Hay



BATTLE OF MANILA



# Caribbean

- US land 18k troops led by Col. Leonard Wood and Lt. Col. **Teddy Roosevelt, Rough Riders**, compared to 200k Spanish troops, but only 13k in Santiago → capture **San Juan Hill**
- US navy blockades, then defeats Adm. **Pascual Cervera** in Santiago Harbor w/ 4 battleships
  - 400 ESP, 1 American killed
- 7/16 – ESP surrender





# Aftermath

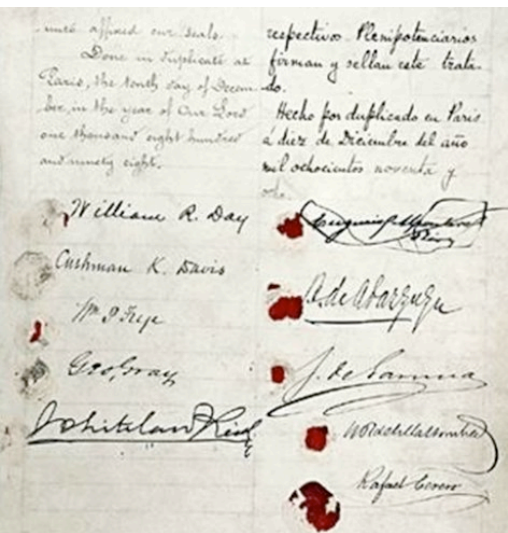
- More Americans died from dysentery and yellow fever than from the war itself (309+Maine to 2803)
- Gen. **Miles** left Cuba to fight in Puerto Rico; more organized, less resistance → within a month won the campaign
- Aug. 14 – Manila (PHI) surrenders under rebel leader **Emilio Aguinaldo**
- Colonies – Lost 332 in war, 3K to disease
- ESP – Details murky, but lost 55-66k (90% to disease)





# Treaty of Paris (12/10/1898)

- US gets PR, CUB, Guam, PHI
- US pays ESP \$20M
- Tricky ratification process (Blum 548-49)
  - Passes 57-27 b/c of Filipino insurrection



OUTLINE MAP SHOWING THE TERRITORY OF GREATER AMERICA.