

Imperialism: The New Manifest Destiny

Imperialism: Definition:

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US Economic Imperialism “*concern follows trade*”

US Export Trade: 1870: \$450 million
1900 \$1.5 billion

Reasons for US Interest Abroad

1. European Imperialism
2. Darwinism
3. Civil War an old story
4. Turner Thesis: end of the frontier
5. Mahan: *The Influence of Sea power Upon History*
6. Escape from US economic and social problems in the 1890's
Hofstadter: "We respond to frustration with acts of aggression."

Foreign Policy Elite

1. Theodore Roosevelt
 2. Henry Cabot Lodge
 3. John Hay
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Hawaii

US missionaries come to do good- and their children prosper

1890 US tariff: Hawaiian sugar no longer duty free

1891 **Queen Liliuokalani:** wants less American influence in Hawaii

1893 US “revolt” led by US Ambassador Stevens

March, 1893 **President Cleveland** withdrew Hawaiian annexation treaty from the Senate

February 1898 Hawaii annexed by US- in middle of Spanish-American War

Hawaii annexed by a joint resolution of Congress during **President McKinley's** administration

Samoa

1878 first US treaty; reason for US interest in Samoa?

England, Germany and US “share” a protectorate over Samoa

1889 US and Germany jointly control Samoa- until 1917

Today: “American Samoa”