

# Why? 1865 → 1900s

- Trade / new markets
- Spread Christianity / cultural superiority
- military / protection
- FRONTIER??
- yellow journalism
- drawn into it?

# Ideas

Alfred T. Mahan

"International Darwinism"

NAVY

cause  
of Sp Am  
war



# Early Examples Foreign Affairs (1865-1898)

W.H. SEWARD

1860s

- 1867 - purchase of Alaska
- annexed Midway Island
- 1865 - invoked Monroe Doctrine → told French to leave Mexico!

R. OLNEY

1880s

→ British-Venezuela Border Dispute  
(Used Monroe Doctrine → Keep out you Brits!)

JAMES G.  
BLAINE

1890s

→ 1889 - 1st Pan American Conference  
"Big Sister"

[ HAWAII ]

1893 - Revolt

- Cleveland does not annex
- McKinley annexes 1898