US Imperialism: To Be or Not To Be?

With the conclusion of the recent Spanish-American War the question facing America is what is to be our role on the world stage. We have already taken possession of Hawaii and are now debating the fate of ex-Spanish colonies like Porto Rico, Guam, and the Philippines. If it weren't for the Teller Amendment we probably would be in possession of Cuba now. We have also taken a strong interest in Panama, China, and several islands in the Pacific Ocean. Debate is raging over what policy we should follow. Should we become an imperialist power like many of the European nations?

Many argue that our country was founded on the principles of democracy and that it is against those principles to govern without the consent of the governed. Maybe though this is an opportunity to spread the blessings of our government and society to the less civilized peoples of the world. This could be the continuation of the policy of Manifest Destiny that was pursued on this continent before the Civil War. On the other hand, do we want to put our culture at risk by absorbing strange peoples and cultures? We have enough problems already with Indians, Negroes, and recent immigrants trying to assimilate into our country. Furthermore why should we spend all of our time and money trying to civilize people outside our borders. We could spend that time and money dealing with problems here in our own country. Make ourselves the "city on the hill" that our forefathers dreamed of. Make ourselves perfect as a model society for others to emulate. One last argument that the anti-imperialists bring up is the fear of possible involvement with foreign powers. George Washington warned us of the hazards of this long ago.

The imperialists argue though that Washington lived in a different age. It is time now for the United States to take its place of status among the great powers of the world. Social Darwinism does not just apply to individuals, but also to countries. If we do not exert ourselves and expand then we will fall prey to those powers that do.

Economically we may need to expand. As the recent Panic of 1893 showed, we have saturated our current markets with goods. We are producing more goods than what the American people can afford to buy. We need more markets. We are also going to need more raw materials as our industries expand.

What will the 20th century hold for the United States?

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School Board Approves Annual Budget

At its meeting last week the School Board approved the budget for the upcoming school year. Even though the school will not open its doors to students until November 1st it was necessary to approve the budget so that preparations could be made in advance. The largest items in the budget included allocations for the purchase of firewood, new reading books, and new up-to-date maps. The Board also decided to raise the pay for our teacher from $400 to $410. If you have any specific questions about the budget you are asked to contact our School Board members TJ Bates, Les Grimm, George Gramlach, Lydia Gray, and Henry Klostermann.

Ohio Village Welcomes Traveling Library

The role of education is sacrosanct. By providing educational opportunities to the women of Ohio Village. It commendable to pursue a mission of obtaining a public library for Ohio Village. While the building of a public library in the Village is a noble and worthy goal there is a way of more quickly obtaining quality reading materials for Ohio Village residents. The State Library of Ohio, a venerable institution located in Columbus administers a traveling library program. Upon request by a school board, community organization or women’s club the State Library of Ohio will send a box of twenty-five to thirty books. What better way to get quality reading materials in the hands of Ohio Village residents? Fiction titles such as Howard Pyle’s The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood and Louise May Alcott’s Aunt Jo’s Scrap Bag would bring residents enjoyment while titles such as William Warde Fowler’s A Year with the Birds and L.N. Badenoch’s Romance of the Inset World would bring them edification. If one of the Village’s notable organizations would request State Librarian Charles B. Galbraith for a traveling library collection not only would reading materials be made available to Village residents, but their use and popularity would serve as evidence that a public library is truly needed in Ohio Village. Which organization will be the first to write Mr. Galbraith?

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Hard Money Verses Soft
For the past decade and a half one of the most controversial issues facing the country has been the nature of the currency used in the United States. Since the Civil War most of our paper currency has been backed by gold. This has formed a sound basis for the economic growth of our nation. For a while we were tormented by the continued use of the Greenbacks which were a relic left over from the Great War. These bills had no backing and many times weren’t worth the paper they were printed on. Their circulation persisted though because of the many debtors who insisted on cheap money to relieve their burden. Wisely the government discontinued this worthless currency several years ago. The debtors then turned to silver as a way to relieve the burden that they had brought upon themselves. Their quest is to flood the economy with cheap money. This leads to inflation and the value of money is not as great. As wages and prices go up, the buying power of money goes down. For debtors though, this means that the value of their debts have decreased and will be easier to pay off. For thus who have not put ourselves in debt, this means only that we will see prices rising and our buying power decreasing. For those who owe you money it also means that they are paying you back with money that is worth less that when you loaned it. In the name of fairness to investors and to the responsible members of the public less emphasis should be placed on silver coinage and more on sound currency backed by gold. At least maintaining the old 16 to 1 ratio of silver to gold, as established by the Bland-Allison Act several years ago, would be a good compromise.

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Under the head of Want Ads, we will hereafter publish advertisements, not exceeding five lines, for 25 cents for two insertions.

To submit an advertisement for this column, please call or write to the Telegraphic Advertiser office, #2 Second Street, Ohio Village, during normal business hours.

Attention—Handyman available for hire. Assorted handwork done including woodwork, mechanical repairs, especially painting. Contact Mr. Henry Patterson directly or leave word at the office of the Telegraphic Advertiser.


Wanted—A purchaser for a fine Good Cooking Stove—almost new—large enough for any ordinary sized family—has been used only a short time, and is one of the best stoves for baking purposes now made. Inquire at 142 N. High Street.

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Wanted—Feathers of all varieties, cleaned and ready for use. Will pay good fair price. See Henry Klostermann in the newspaper office.

**HOME FROM THE WAR**

The Eighth Ohio Arrived Amid Great Enthusiasm.

**OUT OF CLEVELAND**

They Hurried to Their Respective Places of Abode.

**TOUCHING MEETINGS**

Between the Boys In Blue and Their Families.

Parades Were Organized, Bells Tolled and Cannons Boomed in Honor of Their Return.

The Eighth Ohio volunteer regiment (President’s Own) arrived in Cleveland over the Lake Shore road early today from Montauk Point. A corps of physicians was on hand at the station when the train arrived. In all 12 companies arrived. They were the A of Bucyrus, B of Akron, C of Polk, D of Wooster, E of East Liverpool, F, L, and I of Canton, H of Shreve, K of Alliance, M of Mansfield, and G of Wadsworth.

After being served with a good breakfast the men scattered, taking trains on various roads from this city direct to their homes.

**Rooms with Baths Available**

**Murphy’s Lodging House**

Rooms for rent at 75 cents per day for men and women of good character. Reserve a time for showing anytime during daylight hours. No board available. Baths are available on the first Saturday of each month, cost is 15 cents and must be reserved twenty-four hours in advance.

Local News Items

If one is in need of the services of Marshal Morgan, the word about town is that he can often be found in the Pharmacy.

Games of Slapjack and Shut-the-Box are being played at Mrs. Taylor’s house in the PM. A reliable source has reported that money is changing hands.

Elevated voices were heard in the area of the croquet court last Friday evening. It seems Mrs. Murphy is a wee bit more competitive than Mr. Grimm anticipated. Mr. Grimm was seen later in the tavern staring down a beer.

The Miller family, one of the most prominent in our township, held a reunion at the old Miller homestead in Clinton Township last Sunday. Fifty-five of the family were present. A royal time was had and fond memories revived. This family is well identified with the sturdy progress of our township and stands high among our citizens.

The Grimm brothers attended a 6 o’clock dinner at Worthington Tuesday given by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wright in honor of a number of guests from Circleville. Mr. Wright presented his usual after dinner speech on “McKinley prosperity, or how the Wall Street shark can manipulate the money market so as to make a gold dollar worth two silver dollars”. We are not sure how this was received in the piping times of peace and prosperity (?). We should ask one of the Grimm brothers.

G.W. Reynolds of Marion was down on business Wednesday. Judge Weitzel was a business visitor in the Village on Monday.

Mr. Michael Freidrichs was a Capital City visitor Saturday.

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Ohio News Items
Gathered by telegraph from all parts of the state.

Cincinnati—Small pox has been discovered at Loveland in Clermont County, on the Little Miami Railroad. The doctors thought it was chicken pox. The traveler is in quarantine and authorities hope they have stopped a serious outbreak.

Marion—The breaking into two of a westbound freight train on the Big Four Road Monday morning caused the blockage of both the Big Four and Erie tracks at the eastern end of the city. Twenty-two cars were badly wrecked and four tramps were buried in the debris. One of them, James Flynn, having recently worked in Columbus, will die.

National League Baseball Scores

Monday
Cincinnati Reds 4 Washington Senators 2
Brooklyn Bridegrooms 5 St. Louis Browns 2
Louisville Colonels 10 Pittsburgh Pirates 0
Chicago Orphans 8 Baltimore Orioles 6
Boston Beanaters 1 Philadelphia Phillies 0
Cleveland Spiders 7 New York Giants 5

Tuesday
Cincinnati Reds 5 Washington Senators 2
Brooklyn Bridegrooms 5 St. Louis Browns 4
Louisville Colonels 10 Pittsburgh Pirates 8
Chicago Orphans 8 Baltimore Orioles 7
Boston Beanaters 6 Philadelphia Phillies 1
Cleveland Spiders 5 New York Giants 1

Humor

Fond mother: Well, my pet. Did the great dramatic manager say you would quickly become a star if you should adopt the stage as your profession?
Ambitious daughter: Well not exactly, but I think he intends to engage me in some kind of new domestic drama. He told me to go home and learn to cook.

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Wife (sitting by a stream fishing while her husband, an absent minded professor, is absorbed in a book): I believe, Thomas dear, that something is biting now.

He: Well scratch yourself then, dear Sophia.

Mary and Jane stand on either side of a river. Mary shouts over to Jane, “How do I get to the other side?” Jane shouts back, “You’re on the other side.”

“Somebody has taken my revolver out of my desk,” said the religious editor, looking around the room.

“You didn’t know it was loaded did you?” asked the reporter.

“No I didn’t think so.”

“In that case it probably went off on its own accord. They always do, you know, when you don’t think they are loaded.”