

7<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies Class

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## **WAR WITH SPAIN**

### **~ *Yellow Journalism***

- Sensationalized, exaggerated news stories to sell papers.
- No one wanted to hear boring, dull stories so newspapers exaggerated to attract readers.

### **~ *War with Spain***

- U.S.S. Maine stationed in Havana Harbor to protect American interests.
- On February 15, 1898- Maine explodes
- Newspapers pushed the idea that the Maine was attacked.
- President McKinley seeks a resolution for money to go to war. Also, wants Cuba declared independent and for Spain to leave

### **~ *Teller Amendment***

- U.S. has no interest in taking control of Cuba.
- Spain doesn't buy this and declares war on the United States.

### **~ *War with Spain***

- First Battle-Manila Bay, Philippines.
  - U.S. Navy gains quick and decisive victory in the Philippines.....Spain leaves.