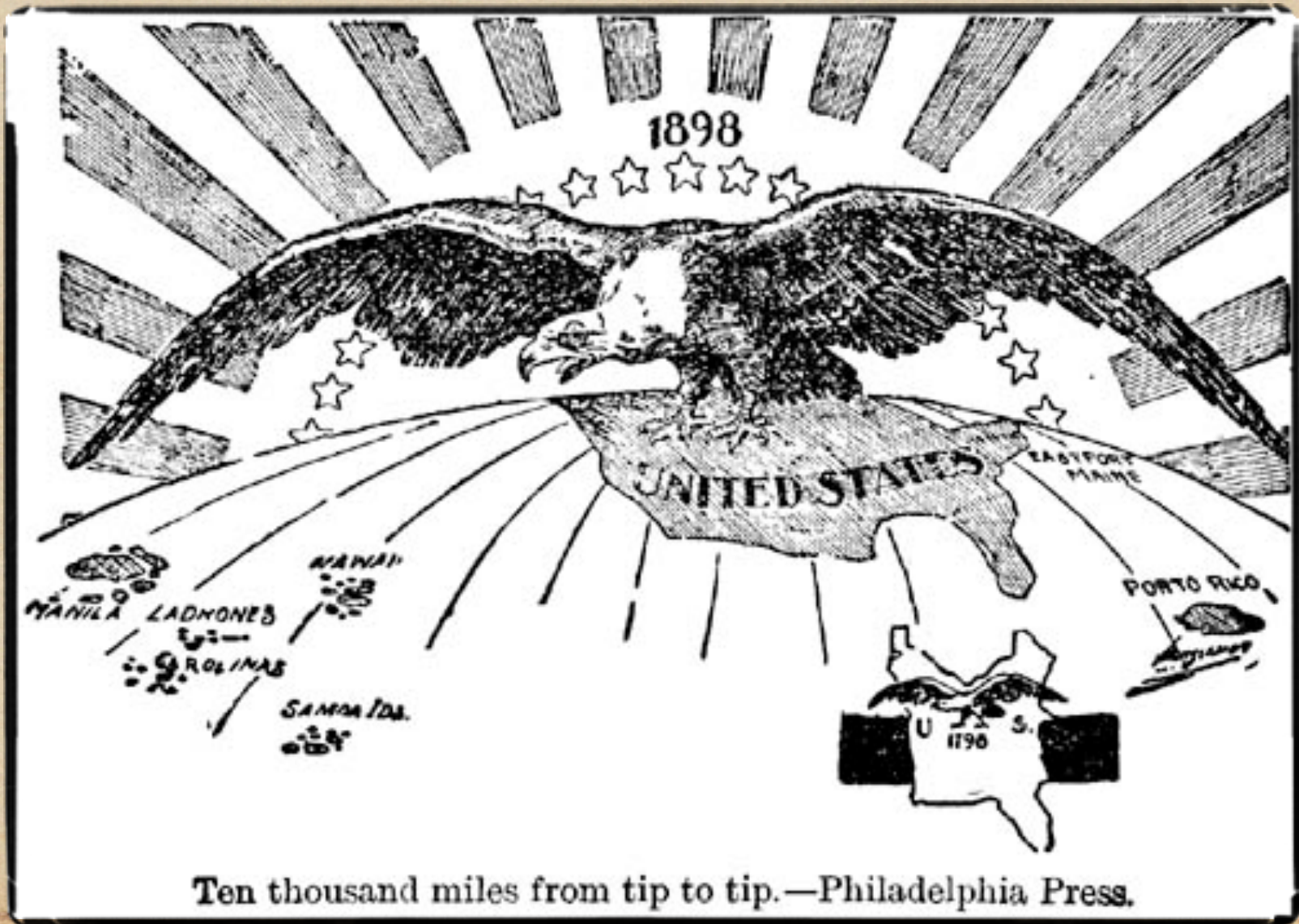


INTERPRET: POLITICAL CARTOON



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UNITED STATES

HISTORY

with Mr. Willis

UNIT 3 - DAY 4

**IMPERIALISM IN
LATIN AMERICA**

AMERICA WINS THE WAR WITH SPAIN

**AMERICAN BECOMES THE DOMINANT
FORCE IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE**



**CUBA, PUERTO RICO, GUAM, & CUBA
GIVE US WORLDWIDE INFLUENCE**



**US MUST INCORPORATE THESE
TERRITORIES**



AND SO...

NEXT, LET'S LOOK AT...

PUERTO RICO



RULING PUERTO RICO

After the war w/ Spain, US Congress was **split** on the fate on Puerto Rico
ULTIMATELY, IT WAS PLACED UNDER **MILITARY**
RULE UNTIL A DECISION COULD BE MADE

1900 - Congress passes the **Foraker**
Act

ENDED MILITARY RULE, SET UP A **CIVIL** GOV.

POTUS APPOINTS GOVERNOR & UPPER HOUSE

PUERTO RICANS ELECT LOWER HOUSE

1917 - Congress grants full **US**
citizenship to Puerto Ricans

BILL OF RIGHTS APPLIES, THEY COULD ELECT
THEIR OWN CONGRESS (**STILL APPLIES TODAY**)



WHY IS THAT IMPORTANT?

- 1) america satisfied the Puerto Rican people as to avert rebellion
- 2) ensured American military presence in Caribbean in long-term

NEXT UP...

CUBA



BALANCING CUBA



When war w/ Spain broke out, the US recognized **Cuba's independence**
TELLER AMENDMENT PLEDGED THAT US
WOULDN'T INTERVENE AND SEIZE CUBAN LAND

1900 - US **insists** that Cuba **add the Platt Amendment** to their constitution
CUBA COULDN'T GO INTO **DEBT**, MAKE **TREATIES**
THAT LIMITS CUBA'S **SELF-GOVERNANCE**
US CAN LEASE OR BUY CUBAN LAND FOR
MILITARY BASES & **FREELY INTERVENE IN CUBA**

US **threatened** to keep US military in Cuba if the Platt Amend. wasn't added
CUBA BECOMES A US **PROTECTORATE**
(country whose affairs are partially controlled by a stronger power)

WHY IS THAT IMPORTANT?

- 1) **AMERICA'S AUTHORITY IN CUBA LASTED ANOTHER 50 YEARS**
- 2) **EVEN TODAY US MILITARY BASES IN CUBA MAINTAIN AMERICAN CONTROL OF THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE**

