

The Role of the Media & The Dissemination of Information

The War of 1812

- Treaty of Ghent signed December 24, 1814
- Battle of New Orleans fought January 8, 1815.
- February 18, 1815 – news of peace treaty arrives in North America

- Remember the Maine!
- “The charge itself was great fun...oh, but we had a bully fight”
- A ‘splendid little war’

The Spanish-American War (1898)

\$50,000 REWARD.—WHO DESTROYED THE MAINE?—\$50,000 REWARD.

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Assistant Secretary Roosevelt
 Convinced the Explosion of
 the War Ship Was Not
 an Accident.

The Journal Offers \$50,000 Reward for the
 Conviction of the Criminals Who Sent
 258 American Sailors to Their Death.
 Naval Officers Unanimous That
 the Ship Was Destroyed
 on Purpose.

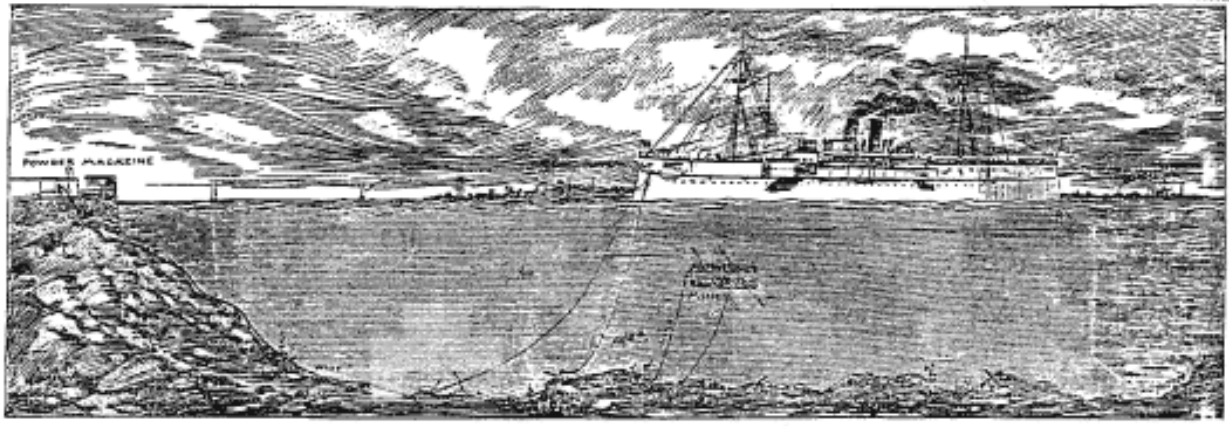
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NAVAL OFFICERS THINK THE MAINE WAS DESTROYED BY A SPANISH MINE.

George Taylor Brown, the Journal's special correspondent at Havana, calls this to be the serene opinion of many Spaniards in the Cuban capital that the Maine was destroyed and 258 of her men killed by means of a submarine mine, or fixed torpedo. This is the opinion of several American naval authorities. The Spaniards, it is believed, managed to have the Maine anchored over one of the harbor mines. They connected the mine with a powder magazine, and it is thought the explosion was caused by sending an electric current through the wire. If this can be proved, the formal name of the Spaniards will be shown by the fact that they wanted to spring the mine and allow all the men laid around for the mine. The Spaniards were in the picture above when the mine near Havana fired.

Hidden Mine or a Sunken Torpedo Believed to Have Been the Weapon Used Against the American Man-of-War—Officers and Men Tell Thrilling Stories of Being Blown Into the Air Amid a Mass of Shattered Steel and Exploding Shells—Survivors Brought to Key West Scout the Idea of Accident—Spanish Officials Protest Too Much—Our Cabinet Orders a Searching Inquiry—Journal Sends Divers to Havana to Report Upon the Condition of the Wreck.

READ "THE TRIUMPH OF LOVE," BEGINNING TO-DAY.

THE WEATHER—Snow tonight clearing Tuesday morning; colder Tuesday night; rain westerly winds becoming light westerly.

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PEACE TREATY IS RATIFIED, AWFUL SLAUGHTER

SPORT EXTRA NUMBER NINE. THIRTY-THIRD NEW ORLEANS RACING

THE NEW ORLEANS RACING TRACK. RESULTS AT THE DARNIE TRACK. FORTY BASEBALL CANDIDATES AT YALE.

GRIP AND PNEUMONIA AFFECTS HORSES. BARNETT'S BOUT UNUSUAL EXHIBIT.



Our Troops at Manila Killed the Filipinos by the Thousands--40 Americans Killed.

NEW ATTACK ON MANILA TO-DAY. Admiral Dewey Cables the News That the City Itself Has Been Attacked.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—A cablegram was received at the Navy Department from Admiral Dewey at 9:30 o'clock this morning, of which the following is a translation: MANILA, FEB. 6. "SECRETARY OF NAVY, WASHINGTON: "INSURGENTS HAVE ATTACKED MANILA. BOSTON LEAVES TO-DAY FOR ILOILO TO RELIEVE BALTIMORE, WHICH WILL RETURN TO MANILA. TWO MEN WOUNDED ON BOARD MONADNOCK, ONE SERIOUSLY. DEWEY."

It is believed that the cablegram, but Manila over another source also say that he has not published, and officials understand from it that the insurgents have now attacked Manila in force and are pursuing an aggressive policy, having brought up their forces from Iloilo.

TREATY VOTE IS 57 TO 23. Three Votes to Spare When the Final Test Was Reached.

AMENDMENTS BY HOAR BEATEN. The vote on the treaty was 57 to 23. The amendments by Hoar were defeated.

FILIPINO LOSS IS 4,000 MEN. About 40 Americans Dead, 'Beaten Insurgents Torn to Pieces by Dewey's Guns.

MANILA, FEB. 6, 7:30 A. M.—THE SCENE PRESENTED BY THE LAVAFLDS OF THE CITY OF MANILA AS THE SUN WENT DOWN ON SUNDAY EVENING WAS ONE OF TERRIBLE HORROR. IN THE DISTANCE, WHICH BEGAN AT 8:30 O'CLOCK AFTER THE BOMBING AND CURTAIN DREW YESTERDAY IN A REMOVED OR UNEXPECTED MANNER, AS THE CIRCUMSTANCES MADE NECESSARY, THE FILIPINOS WERE UTTERLY ROUTED WITH FEARFUL SLAUGHTER.

- The media lost the war for America.
- First televised war (living room war)
- https://facultystaff.richmond.edu/~ebolt/history398/Cronkite_1968.html

Vietnam

- Let the change begin!
- <http://www.cnn.com/2009/WORLD/asiapcf/06/02/cnn.tiananmen.coverage/index.html#cnnSTCVideo>

Tiananmen Square & CNN

- As it happens – the birth of speculative news
 - The Persian Gulf War (Desert Storm)
 - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wIC60Kef9Mg>
 - September 11
 - Embedded reporters

Modern news media