Philippine War Political Cartoons

Choose one cartoon to analyze from each of the 6 sets.

Clues for Cartoon Analysis

Source:

Pro-Imperialism Magazines: Judge and Puck

Anti-Imperialism Magazines: Life and The World

Context: Use your handouts and timeline

Additional clues for Set B:

William McKinley was President at the start of the Philippine War. He supported expansion and thought it was his duty to civilize the Filipinos.

Additional clues for Set C:

Columbia is a symbol of American liberty.

Additional clues for Set D: Uncle Sam is a symbol of the United States.

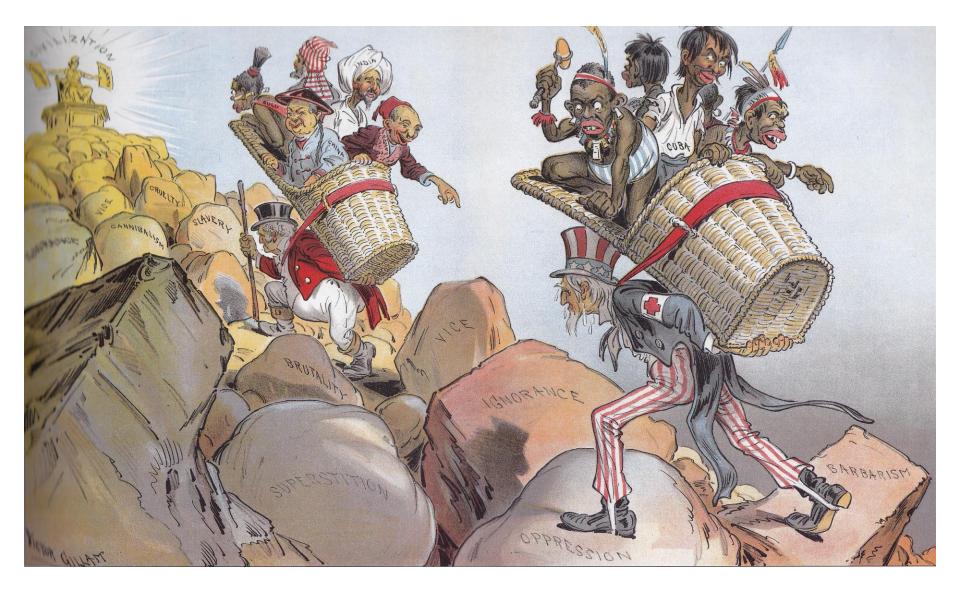
Additional clues for Set E:

In the 1880s and 1890s, hundreds of African Americans were lynched in the United States.

Additional clues for Set F:

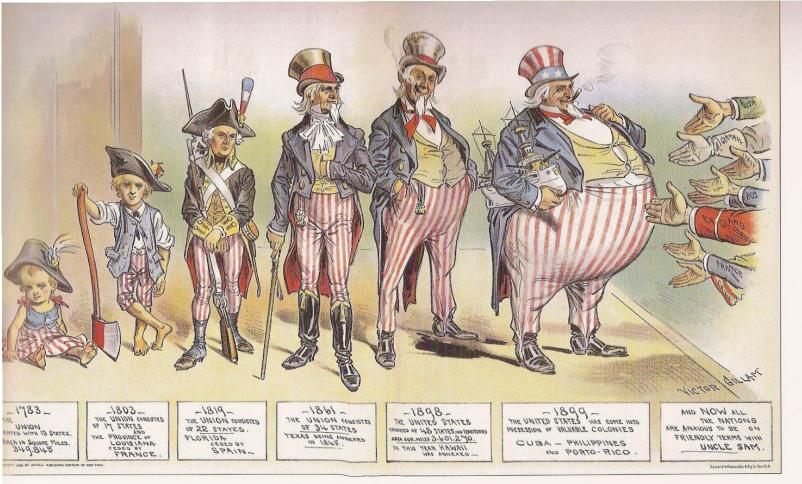
You will need to look at a map of the world to see how close the Philippines are to China.

EXAMPLE: Judge, 1899



SET A : Cartoon 1

Judge, 1899



"A LESSON FOR ANTI-EXPANSIONISTS." "Showing how Uncle Sam has been an expansionist first, last, and all the time." Judge, Arkell Publishing Company, New York, 1899 [artist: Victor Gillam]

SET A : Cartoon 2

Life, 1900

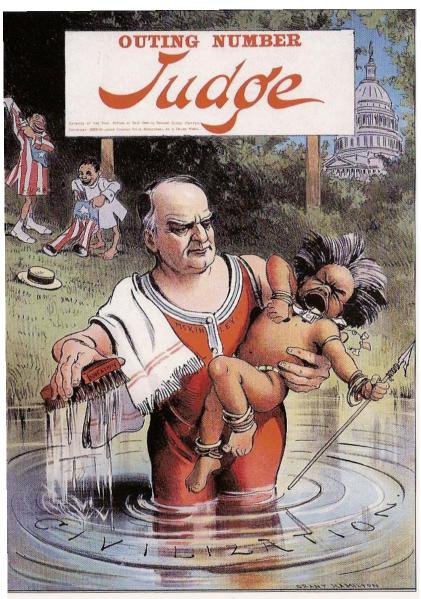


"FUN FOR THE BOYS," ¹

Life, Life Publishing Company, New York, August 23, 1900 [artist: William Bengough]

SET B : Cartoon 1

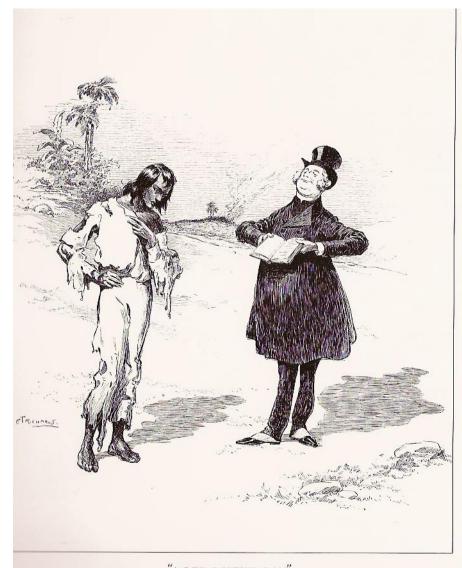
Judge, 1899



"THE FILIPINO'S FIRST BATH." "McKinley—'Oh, you dirty boy!'" Judge, Judge Company, New York, June 10, 1899 [artist: Grant Hamilton]

SET B : Cartoon 2

Life, 1900



"A RED-LETTER DAY." THE STRANGER: How long have you been civilized? THE NATIVE: Ever since my home was burned to the ground and my wife and children shot."

Life, Life Publishing Company, New York, October 18, 1900 [artist: Frederick Thompson Richards]

SET C : Cartoon 1

Puck, 1901



"COLUMBIA'S EASTER BONNET." Puck, Keppler & Schwarzmann, New York, April 6, 1901 [artist: Samuel Ehrhart]

SET C : Cartoon 2

Life, 1898

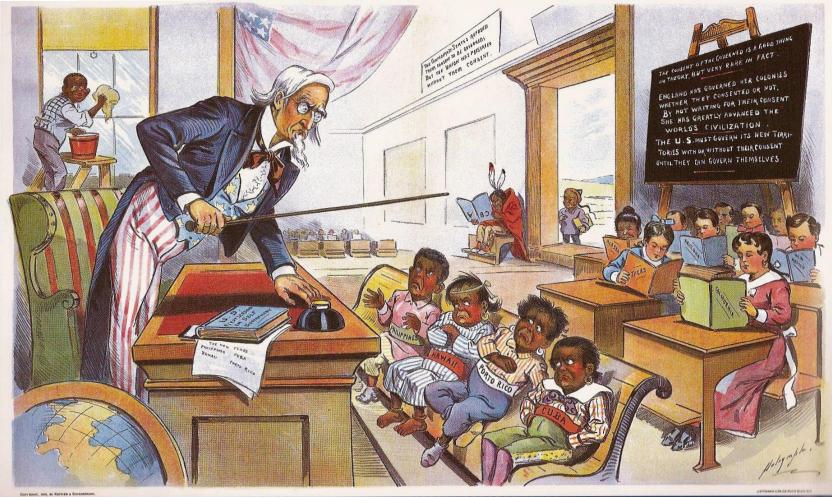


"COLUMBIA IS BY NO MEANS ENTHUSIASTIC BY THIS TRANSACTION."

Life, Life Publishing Company, New York, December 8, 1898 [artist: Francis Gilbert Attwood]

SET D : Cartoon 1

Puck, 1899

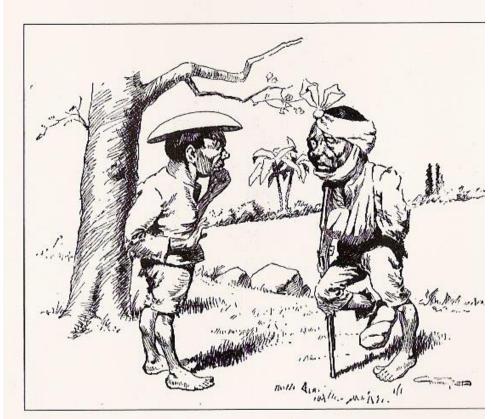


"SCHOOL BEGINS."

"Uncle Sam (to his new class in Civilization)—Now, children, you've got to learn these lessons whether you want to or not! But just take a look at the class ahead of you, and remember that, in a little while, you will feel glad to be here as they are!"

SET D : Cartoon 2

Life, 1899

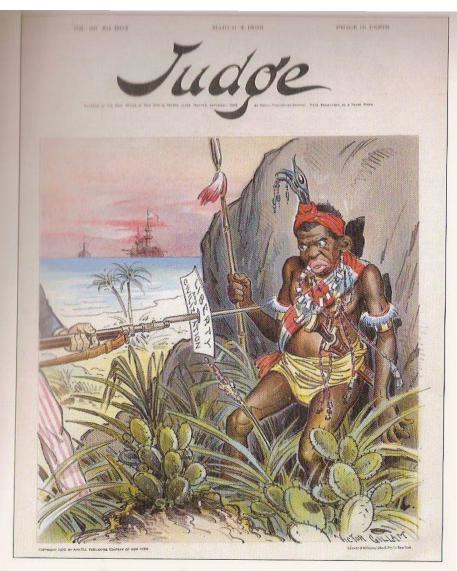


"FIRST FILIPINO: What's THE matter? SECOND FILIPINO: Been takin' another of those blamed lessons in the progress of civilization."

Life, Life Publishing Company, New York, April 20, 1899 [artist: name illegible]

SET E :Cartoon 1

Judge, 1899



"HE WOULDN'T TAKE IT ANY OTHER WAY." Judge, Arkell Publishing Company, New York, March 4, 1899 [artist: Victor Gillam]

SET E : Cartoon 2

The World, 1898

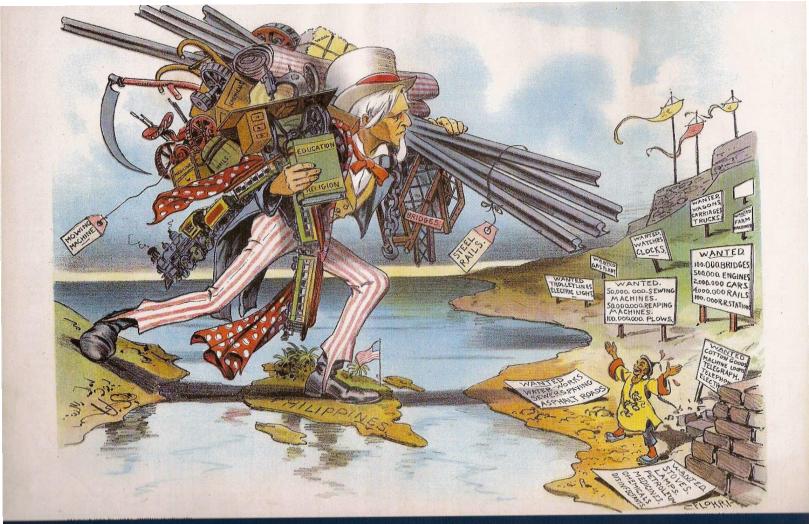


"CIVILIZATION BEGINS AT HOME."

The World (New York), also published in The Literary Digest, Vol. XXVII, No. 22, November 26, 1898 [artist: Charles Green Bush]



Judge, 1900



"AND, AFTER ALL, THE PHILIPPINES ARE ONLY THE STEPPING-STONE TO CHINA."

SET F : Cartoon 2

Life, 1899

