

# American Imperialism, cont.

The US & East Asia

# Filipinos Rebel

- Insurrection

- Emilio Aguinaldo and the Filipinos rebelled against the US once they realized they had a new master



# Filipinos Rebel, cont.

- Guerilla warfare

- The outgunned Filipinos relied on small bands of fighters to attack behind American lines (hit-and-run)



# Filipinos Rebel, cont.

- Déjà vu...
  - American soldiers gathered Filipinos into concentration camps
  - *“I wish you to kill and burn. The more you kill and burn the better you will please me”*
    - US General Jacob Smith to his soldiers



## Filipinos Rebel, cont.

- *“Let us all be frank. WE DO NOT WANT THE FILIPINOS. WE DO WANT THE PHILIPPINES. All of our troubles in this annexation matter have been caused by the presence in the Philippines of the Filipinos...The more of them killed, the better. It seems harsh. But they must yield before the superior race”*  
– San Francisco Argonaut, 1902

# Filipinos Rebel, cont.

- Americans finally captured Aguinaldo and the insurrection ended
  - 5,000 Americans died
  - US spent \$400 million
  - 200,000 Filipinos died

U.S. crushed the revolt & imposed its will:

- English the official language
- Public works introduced
- Sedition Acts & persecution silenced opposition





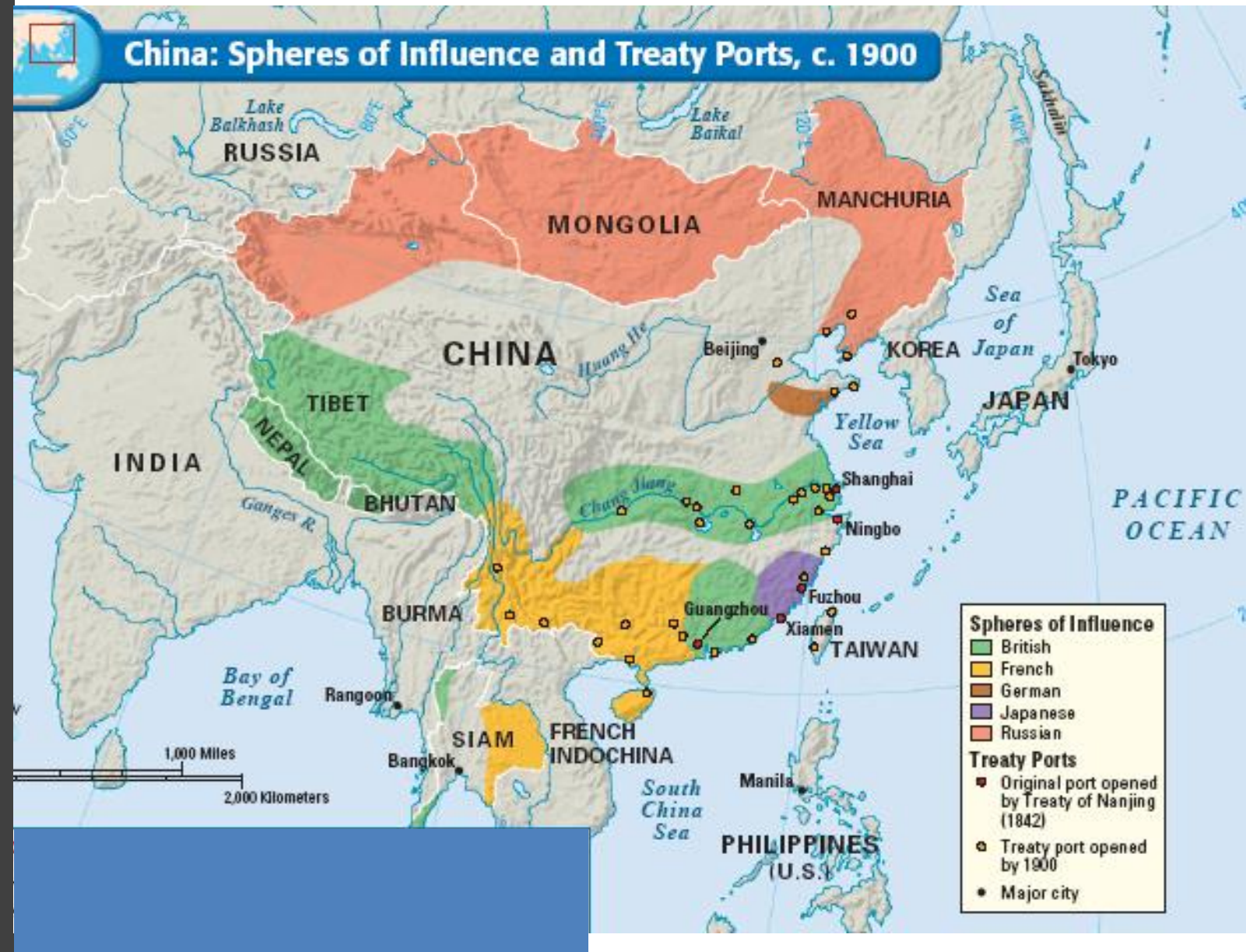
William Howard Taft

- Self-rule
  - American governor of Philippines allowed Filipinos limited autonomy
- Jones Act
  - Pledge by US Congress to give the Philippines its independence...30 years later

# US & China

- Spheres of influence

- Britain, France, Germany, Japan, & Russia carved China into zones under their control
- The US didn't have a zone, it was frozen out of Chinese trade







**In this political cartoon, China is being divided up by the following:**

- **Great Britain**
- **Germany**
- **Russia**
- **France**
- **Japan**



## US & China, cont.

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- **Boxer Rebellion**

- 20,000 Chinese peasants trained in the martial arts who led a successful rebellion against the “*foreign devils*” that were interfering in their country

# US & China, cont.

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- John Hay

- US Secretary of State issued a warning to these nations that the US expected “*equality of treatment for commerce*” in China
- Opened the door for the US to intervene in China’s affairs



# US & China, cont.

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- **Open Door Policy**

- America's policy that the US didn't want Chinese colonies, just free trade
- Commerce open to merchants of all nations – protecting U.S. trading rights
- China's independence & territory was preserved, but foreign "influence" remained.
- US even spent \$ to fund scholarships for Chinese students studying in America



# The Open Door Policy



# US & Japan

- **Russo-Japanese War**

- Japan invaded Manchuria (part of China) to protest Russian troops in China
- President Roosevelt intervened and forced the two sides to settle
  - Nobel Peace Prize



## US & Japan, cont.

- **San Francisco School Board**
  - Banned Japanese, Chinese, & Korean students from attending public schools w/white students
- **Gentlemen's Agreement**
  - School board ended its segregation policy and Japan agreed to limit # of Japanese emigrating to America



# US & Japan, cont.

- Great White Fleet

- TR, concerned about Japan's aggressive expansionism, decided to show the Japanese who was boss
- Sent an armada of 16 white battleships on a "goodwill tour" to Japan



U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET

Against War  
of  
C. V. Coffeyman



# The Great White Fleet: 1907

