**Study Set: Slide Set 7: A Splendid Little War**

**Spanish American War:**

* Spanish declared war on April 21 1898 to Aug 13.
* Only 385 killed in combat and 1662 sustainable wounds, 2k died of disease.
* In addition to territories acquired from spain, US annexed Hawaii in 1989.
* Treaty was signed on De 10 1898 and was approved by majority vote Feb 6 1899.
* US involved in cuba ended in 1901 and officially became independent with obligations related to the Platt Amendment which gave the US the right to intervene in Cuban affairs and to control Cuban foreign policy and thus reduced he island into a US protectorate.
* Acquisition of the Philippines simply led to another war on Feb 4 1899 where Aguinaldo wanted fll independence rather than a change in colonial masters. Led to the Philippine Insurrection or the Philippine-American War. (Slides 66-69)

**Manila Bay:**

* The first blow against Spain was in Mailla, 6 days after the outbreak of war.
* Night of April 30, Deweys squadron entered which surprised the Spaniards for being able to navigate in the dark. Dewey Opened fire at 5:41am. Montojo accepted and ordered the ships to ram if possible. More than 200 including Montojo were casualties.
* Montojos fleet was destroyed with 371 casualties compared to only 9 US wounded.
* Completeness of this, caused McKinley to send troops necessary to capture Manila from the Spaniards. Dewey was then promoted to rear admiral.
* Full Battle Slides 2-12

**George Dewey:**

* Commodore who as telegraphed by Roosevelt on Feb 25 1989 ordering him to concentrate ships of the Asiatic Station at Hong Kong.
* Roosevelts choice to command the Asiatic squadron.
* Led and won the battle at Manila Bay.

**Roughriders:**

* First Volunteer calvary regiment that was raised by Theordore Roosevelt but commanded by Joseph Wheeler. Who after being seen as unfit to command, Roosevelt lobbied for Leonard Wood to be appointed commander.

**William R. Shafter:**

* The general of the Fifth Army Corps
* Known as a stupid decision to command an expeditionary force in the tropics from June 22-24. No qualifications except his lack of post war political ambition when he won medal of honor during the civil war.

**Emilio Aguinaldo:**

* Rebel leader who reached an agreement with Spanish Governor Fernando Primo de Reviera on Dev 14 1987 in which Spanish colonial government would pay Aguinaldo 400k in Maila in three installments if Aguinaldo would go into exile.