• Theodore Roosevelt is President

- Acquires Panama Canal
- Roosevelt Corollary Caribbeans out of bounds to everyone except the US
 - * Why? Because the US needs to interfere to keep everyone else out
- Lodge Corollary Not only can people not interfere in Central and South America, nobody can rent any bases there either

• Russo-Japanese war

 Agreements come up between USA and Japan for separate spheres of influence in the far east.

• Taft's Dollar Diplomacy

- Improve financial opportunities for American businesses
- Use private capital to further US interests overseas
- Therefore, the US should create stability and order abroad that would best promote America's commercial interests

• Wilson's Moral Diplomacy

- US should be the conscience of the world
- Spread democracy
- Promote peace
- Condemn colonialism
- In action:
 - * US occupies Tampeco
 - * Resisted by local Mexican authorities
 - * Then we also end up sending ships to Veracruz
 - * Some resistance

• Chase of Pancho Villa

- Decides it's in his interest to get US involved in Mexico
- Kills 18 engineers and raids a town in New Mexico
- We send 5000 troops down to hunt him out
- It's all very embarrassing