

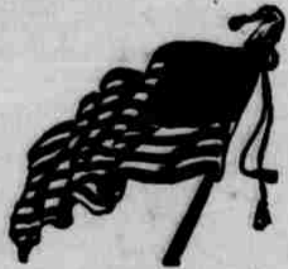
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THE CUBANS AND THE WAR.

Nothing is clearer, says the Inter Ocean, than that the campaign in Cuba must be American from start to finish. The Cuban imagination has been filled with imagery of our own revolutionary war. Many of the Cuban leaders have clung to the idea that liberation was to come to their people, not through the invasion of American armies, but through the coming to the island of some modern Lafayette, who should place his money, his millions of war, his army, and himself, at the service of the struggling republic. The Cuban leaders at home and in this country have believed that, with recognition and assistance, they could achieve their independence and settle affairs to suit themselves. Believing this, or at least hoping that such a plan might be tried, this opposition has been carried to such an extreme that it has embarrassed the United States in carrying out the plans of conquest.

Even now some of the officers of the Cuban army oppose any movement from the United States that will take from the revolutionists the

honor of driving the Spaniards out of the island. This is creditable to them, but it is a mere sentiment. Unfortunately the same sentiment has prevailed in this country, and those favoring it have been slow to realize that the Cuban question is an American question, to be settled by Americans. The conditions are not like those prevailing in our own revolutionary war. We had then well-organized and well-disciplined armies, and a strong government acting through a congress elected by the people. The Cubans, when it comes to the test, have not more than 10,000 men ready to co-operate with the United States army. They have made a heroic resistance to Spanish tyranny, but they have not been able to prevent the most cruel persecution of their own people or the devastation of the most fertile provinces.

The United States goes into Cuba because the masses of the people are at the mercy of the most corrupt and brutal government in the world; because hundreds of thousands are starving; because American interests in Cuba and Cuban waters have been ruined and our commerce with the island destroyed; because our chief executive was insulted by Spain's representative, and, most important of all, because our battleship, visiting Havana on a mission of peace, was destroyed and 266 American sailors murdered.

This is a war between Spain and the United States, not between Spain and Cuba. Any question as to the way we became involved in it is not now a factor. The war is here and it must be fought to the end by Americans and in the interest of the United States. By act of congress this country is pledged to secure the independence of Cuba and to establish a stable government on the island. But we are pledged to do many other things as important, and the war must be conducted with all these things in mind.

We can wait no longer on the Cubans. If they co-operate with our army they will have an opportunity to show their mettle. If they do not, their interests will be looked after just the same. But in no case will the American army be subordinate to the Cuban, and in no case will the campaign be under the direction of the Cuban Junta or the Cuban generals. The American army will enter Cuba to drive the Spaniards out, and it will do it in its own way.

There can be no question in the minds of the Cubans as to the motives of the purposes of the United States. We have taken all the risks, will bear all the burdens of war, and the Cubans will be the principal beneficiaries. Under the circumstances their course is as clear as ours.

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