US Imperialism (trying to gain a lot of land, as they want to become an empire)

- Traditional US Foreign Policy
  - Isolationist (thus, there is no US foreign policy)
  - George Washington warned us about foreign entanglements with Europe
    - Does not want foreign policy

- Monroe Doctrine in 1823
  - “skeleton” foreign policy
  - First act of foreign policy
  - Extension of isolationism
  - Warned European powers that there will be no more colonies, but will respect existing colonies
  - Roosevelt Corollary in 1904 - police force

- Manifest Destiny - “sea to shining sea”
  - We made it to the Pacific
  - We want more land, though

- Alaska (Russian America in 1860s)
  - Aka “Seaward’s Icebox”
  - Seward needed congressional approval
  - Johnson agreed to buy Alaska for 7 million dollars, because he believed it would help his reputation
  - Found oil and gold in it later, but it seemed like a waste of money at the time
  - Wanted to keep European powers out of our hemisphere

Vocabulary:

Jingoism - fiery patriotism

Anglo-Saxonism

Dollar diplomacy - the aggressive coupling of American political and economic interests abroad