

Explosion of the *Maine*

February 15, 1898



Destruction of the U.S. battleship *Maine* in Havana Harbor February 15, 1898

“Awake United States”

This song was rushed into print between the sinking of the Maine on February 15, 1898, and the declaration of war on April 25, 1898.

Eagle soar on high, and sound the battle cry!

And how proudly sailed the warship *Maine*,
a Nation's pride, without a stain!

A wreck she lies, her sailors slain.

By two-faced butchers, paid by Spain!

Eagle soar on high,
And sound the battle cry
Wave the starry flag!
In mud it shall not drag!