

Poem by Calvin Coolidge Roberts

On December 7, 1941,
The Japs¹ damaged our ships and coastal guns.
The United States was in the midst of diplomatic relations,
And the Japs made their devastating attack on the great nation.
Our boys struck back at the Japs,
In return to push them off the map.
The United States is fighting for democracy,
And to keep out the enemy who condemns us with methods of autocracy.

¹ Editor's note: This term reflects the sentiments of the time period it was used.