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Spoony wrote on Sun, 18 November 2007 14:16

Uh, no. As soon as the "warpath" started (the invasion of Poland), we declared war pretty much immediately (on the same day, I think?). Sticking up for our friends and allies, see? Whereas the US hung around on the sidelines for a good two years. Even after Pearl Harbour was bombed, you still didn't declare war on Germany. They declared war on you.

Just a quick quip... yes, Britain and France declared war on Germany after Poland's invasion, but little was done. They don't call that period the 'Phony War' for no reason. It was generally when Atlantic trade was interrupted by the Germans, that the party got started.

Remember too, that Germany's belligerence was often secretly welcomed by America, and England. A powerful Germany, governed by a fierce anti-communist, meant that the country would become a powerful economic power, and trading partner.

And another thing... America declared war on the Axis, because Germany was trying to coerce Mexico to invade the United States, in order to distract America from affairs in Europe. Hitler knew that if America were to enter the war, it would turn the tide. It wasn't just Pearl Harbour that brought the Americans in.

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