

Supporting material 2

About the radio drama “War of the Worlds”

Radio drama staged on the basis of Herbert Wells's novel *The War of the Worlds* was broadcast on the radio in the form of a report in a news bulleting: the one-hour program began with an announcement of the radio drama which was followed by weather forecast, then a program of music which was interrupted by a breaking news – the above mentioned story with a “live report” from a real correspondent and sounds typical of a real event (shouts, sounds of car, etc.).

This episode was staged on the CBS radio on 30 October 1938. The author was journalist Orson Welles, later to become a renowned filmmaker (*Citizen Kane*), who became famous for causing panic in the US.