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# WAR OF THE WORLDS



## Radio Listeners in Panic

Many Flee Homes to Escape  
'Gas Raid From Mars'

A wave of mass hysteria seized thousands of radio listeners throughout the nation between 8:15 and 9:30 o'clock last night when a broadcast of a dramatization of H.G. Wells's fantasy, "The War of the Worlds," led thousands to believe that an interplanetary conflict had started. Invading Martians were spreading death and destruction in New Jersey and New York.

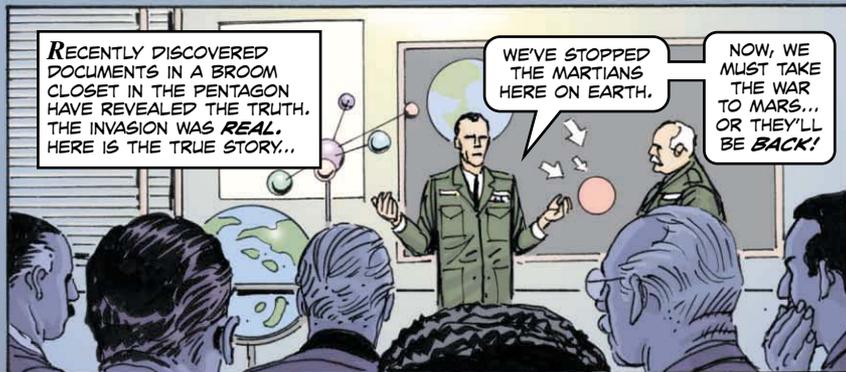
THE RADIO BROADCAST IN 1938 BY ORSON WELLES AND HIS MERCURY THEATER ON THE AIR DRAMATIZING A MARTIAN INVASION AT GROVER'S MILL, NEW JERSEY HAS BEEN A PART OF HISTORY FOR 65 YEARS. THE BELIEF WAS THAT IT WAS NOTHING MORE THAN A COMBINATION OF RADIO DRAMA AND A POPULATION ON THE EDGE. BUT... WAS IT?



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RECENTLY DISCOVERED DOCUMENTS IN A BROOM CLOSET IN THE PENTAGON HAVE REVEALED THE TRUTH. THE INVASION WAS **REAL**. HERE IS THE TRUE STORY...

WE'VE STOPPED THE MARTIANS HERE ON EARTH.

NOW, WE MUST TAKE THE WAR TO MARS... OR THEY'LL BE **BACK!**



WE ALL AGREE ON THAT, GENERAL SMITH... BUT...

...ARE WE PREPARED TO FIGHT IN A MARTIAN ENVIRONMENT?

GOOD QUESTION, GENERAL JONES.

**THAT'S** WHY WE ASKED HERE TODAY THE ONLY MAN WHO HAS ACTUALLY **BEEN** TO MARS.



THIS IS MASTER SERGEANT HALF-MAST. HE IS GOING TO BRIEF US ON THE PLANET MARS...

"...AND HOW WE NEED TO PREPARE OUR SOLDIERS AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE HARDSHIPS AHEAD."



HAVE YOU REALLY BEEN TO MARS, SERGEANT?

YES, SIR. I WAS PART OF A TOP-SECRET SPACE EXPLORATION PROJECT.



I SPENT TWO WEEKS LAST SUMMER ON MARS. I CAME BACK WITH QUITE A TAN.

UNBELIEVABLE.



NOT REALLY, SIR.

I'D FORGOTTEN MY **SUN SCREEN**.

BUT, ANYWAY,... **MOST** OF MARS IS **DESERT**. LOTS OF MOVING SANDS AND ROCKY FLATS. BUT, I WAS SURPRISED TO FIND **WATER** ON MARS.



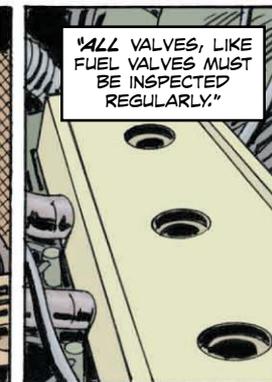
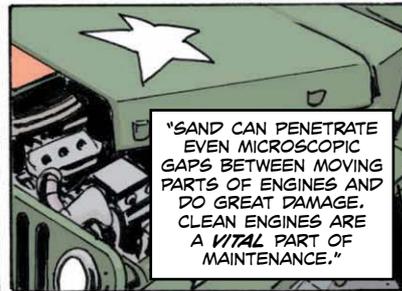
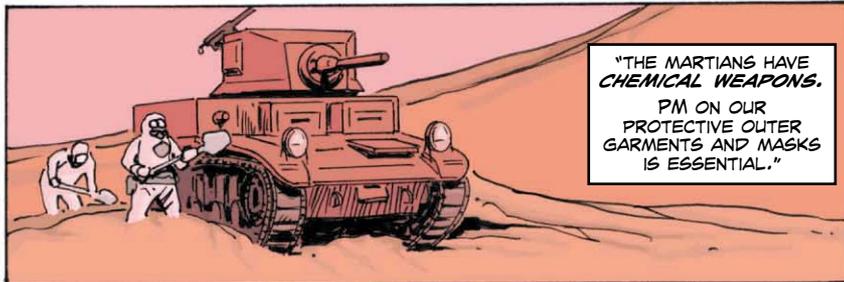
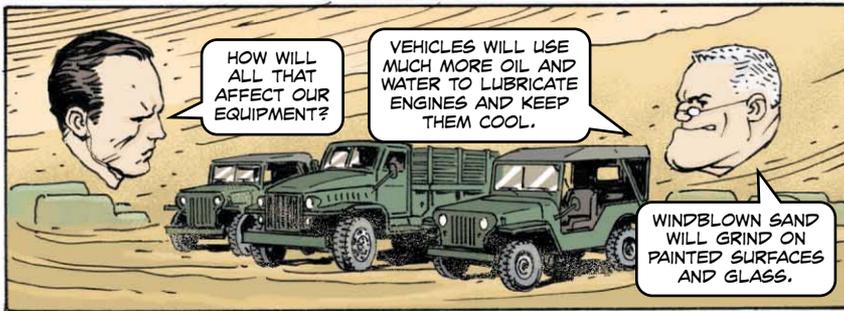
"IT POOLS UP IN MUD AREAS AND SWAMPS. BUT OUR SOLDIERS WILL MOSTLY BE FIGHTING IN DESERTS."



"CONTRARY TO POPULAR BELIEF, MARS IS NOT ALWAYS COLD. THEY'VE BEEN FOOLING OUR CLIMATOLOGISTS FOR **YEARS** WITH A TEMPERATURE MASKING DEVICE. MARS IS **VERY** HOT IN THE SUMMER. OUR SOLDIERS WILL FEEL EXTREME HEAT AND BE BLASTED BY DUST AND SAND."



"ALTHOUGH IT'S WARM IN THE WINTER, NIGHTS, WINTER AND SUMMER, CAN BE **VERY COLD**. WE NEED TO PREPARE FOR **EXTREME** TEMP CHANGES."



HOW WILL OUR WEAPON'S SYSTEMS BE AFFECTED?



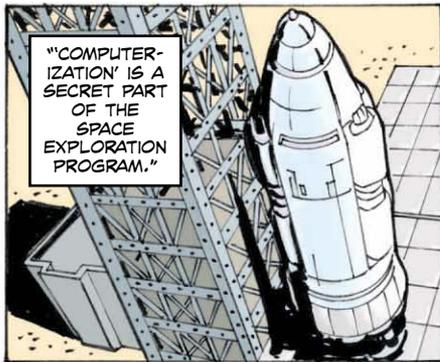
HEAT WILL BE OUR SYSTEMS' MAJOR ENEMY ON MARS.



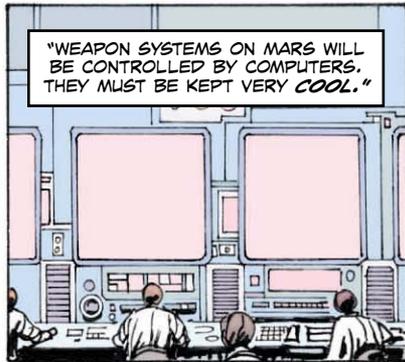
WEAPONS GET **HOT** WHEN THEY'RE FIRED.



...AND WHEN THE TEMPERATURE'S HOT, THE WEAPONS GET **HOTTER**.



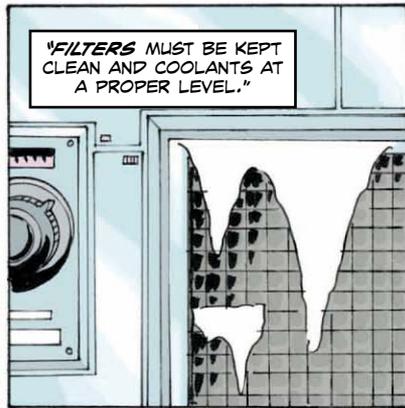
"COMPUTERIZATION' IS A SECRET PART OF THE SPACE EXPLORATION PROGRAM."



"WEAPON SYSTEMS ON MARS WILL BE CONTROLLED BY COMPUTERS. THEY MUST BE KEPT VERY **COOL**."



"THAT MEANS **AIR CONDITIONING** MUST BE KEPT OPERATIONAL."



"**FILTERS** MUST BE KEPT CLEAN AND COOLANTS AT A PROPER LEVEL."



AND DON'T FORGET THESE AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEMS MUST BE READY FOR CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL-BUG-ATTACKS.

**ALL** MARTIANS LOOK LIKE BUGS TO ME!



YES, SIR. BUT **THOSE** BUGS MAY HAVE "BUGS"...

...AND WE'VE GOT TO BE READY FOR 'EM.



"SOLDIERS NEED TIME TO MAINTAIN THEIR PERSONAL WEAPONS. SAND, DUST, AND HEAT CAN RENDER A WEAPON **USELESS**."



FROM WHAT YOU TOLD US, **ALL ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT** IS IN FOR A **TOUGH TIME**.



"YES, SIR. OUR MODERN ARMY OF 1938 **RUNS** ON ELECTRONICS."

"EXCEPT FOR A TENT AND A BACKPACK, A SOLDIER NEEDS ELECTRONICS TO **SURVIVE**."

"WE NOW HAVE COMPUTERS BUT LET ME ADD A FEW OTHER NEW THINGS."

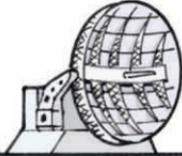


• DIGITAL RADIOS



• NIGHT VISION DEVICES

"ALL THESE ARE SUBJECT TO SAND, HEAT AND MOISTURE DAMAGE. PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE WILL KEEP THEM IN WORKING ORDER."



• RADAR SYSTEMS

• AIMING AND FIRING DEVICES



THANK YOU MASTER SERGEANT HALF-MAST. I THINK WE HAVE A BETTER PICTURE OF WHAT IT'LL TAKE TO WIN A WAR ON MARS.

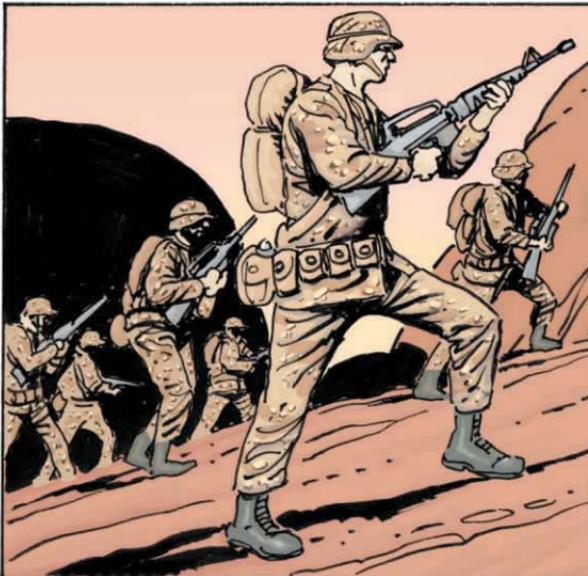


BOTH THE MARTIANS AND THE ENVIRONMENT ARE OUR ENEMY. BUT, PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE WILL ENABLE US TO DEFEAT **BOTH** ENEMIES.



LET'S SHOW THOSE MARTIANS WHAT UNCLE SAM AND HIS SOLDIERS CAN DO.

I'M READY ON YOUR COMMAND, SIR.



**EDITOR'S COMMENT:** WE TOOK THOSE MARTIANS TO SCHOOL AND TAUGHT THEM A HARD LESSON. WE LEARNED A FEW THINGS THAT HELPED US WHEN WE BAILED OUT EUROPE DURING WORLD WAR II.

THE MARTIANS ARE NO LONGER A THREAT, BUT THERE ALWAYS SEEM TO BE "MARTIANS IN EARTH-LING CLOTHING" WHO WANT TO RULE THE WORLD. SOME OF THEM WE MIGHT FIND IN ENVIRONMENTS SIMILAR TO MARS. IF WE DO, WE NEED TO BE READY WITH OUR GREATEST WEAPON: **PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE.**