VIDEO	AUDIO
FADE INTO: MS CAM 2	ORCHESTRAL MUSIC FADE INTO BG
CAM 2- HOST SITTING AT DESK	HOST: This just in! The sky collapsing broadcast aired on October 30th, 1938, was NOT covering true events. I repeat it was. NOT. real.
	(DEEP BREATH)Now let's review what went down.
CAM 3- TAKE MCU OF HOST	HOST:(TURN TO CAM 3)It was the day before Halloween.
FADE TO: PIC OF TOWN	HOST: (TURN BACK TO CAM 2) Americans tuned into Mercury Theatre on the Air, and what started off as any other radio show, quickly threw the entire nation into panic.
CAM 2 SAME MS- TAKE HOST	HOST: Aliens were invading New Jersey.
*TAKE PIC OF WELLES	HOST: Describing these events in vivid detail was none other than Orson Welles*. We know him today as an infamous writer, director, and actor with accolades such as Citizen Kane. But at the time of this broadcast, he was just a theatre kid, age twenty-one.
CAM 2- TAKE HOST	HOST: The deception was not meant by Welles and the team. They never expected anyone to believe it was real. It was just an adaptation of a book.
TAKE PIC OF COMIC	HOST: In fact, there were several announcements and warnings in the beginning, but listeners who tuned in later were not privy to that essential information.
CAM 2- TAKE HOST TAKE NPR PIC*	HOST: Today the story has changed a little, with the level of panic being highly debatable. Companies as big as N-P-R* and P-B-S say it DID lead to "mass hysteria" that the incident is so well-known for. But many others claim it was not nearly as extreme as this.
CAM 2- TAKE HOST	HOST: Only about twelve million listeners tuned into this broadcast. And The number of those who actually believed it was real, is even lower.
CAM 3- TAKE HOST	HOST: It may or may not be accurate that this local broadcast went largely unnoticed in the thirty's, but what remains true is how this changed Welles' life forever, and left quite the stain on radio's reputation.