

they end up burning people.

Aliens this way

First, it was the Americans (but that was 50 years ago). Then, the Portuguese. And now, even the Danes have succumbed.

When the local radio station in the Portuguese town of Braga broadcast a 50th anniversary recreation of Orson Welles' famous radio version of *War of the Worlds* at the weekend, residents fled their homes in panic. On this occasion, the Martians were said to have landed on Vila Verde, near Braga, rather than at Grovers Mill, New Jersey.

Yesterday, it was Denmark's turn. Listeners jammed the switchboard at Danish Radio after aliens were said to have invaded the country. Danish Radio described the broadcast — which included the voice of one of the station's regular newsreaders — as a "serious error".

To the team of Wells and Welles, congratulations. A coup from beyond the grave.

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