CBS Should Be Thanked For
‘Exposing’ Us, says
Reader

Editor, The Post:
Having recovered from the rib-
cracking laughter into which I
was convulsed by the amazing
stupidity, superstition and child-
ish credulity displayed by Ameri-
cans in their reaction to the
dramatization of H. G. Wells’
‘The War of the Worlds,’ I
wish to warn the American
people against the danger of their
own gullibility.

The danger of this gullibility
lies in the fact that it can eas-
ily be exploited by those wishing
to generate a fear-complex cal-
culated to involve this country in
foreign wars. It has been shown that
they can easily be converted in-
to frightened rabbits, the Ameri-
can people can become an easy
prey to those propagandists who
desire to have this country serve
as a cat’s paw to pull their Eu-
ropean or Asiatic chestnuts out
of the fire.

Such propagandists have al-
ready for a long time been zeal-
ously plying their trade and the
American reaction to this radio
episode should encourage them
in their effort. I suggest that
certain European countries, es-
pecially England, send over their
noted authors and lecturers and
put them to work on the infan-
tile credulity of the American
people. It may pay them in the
long run.

Instead of condemning the Co-
lumbia Broadcasting System the
American people should be gra-
teful to it for having exposed
them in their true light as gullible, easily-frightened people.

Awareness of one’s own weak-
ness is a prescription for its cure.

WILLIAM BANISTER

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Thinks America Should
Be On Its Guard

Editor, The Post:
The recent startling disclo-
sures of Nazi spying in this
country should make every real
American realize that even a
span of ocean—5,500 miles does
not make us immune from thiev-
ing elements abroad.

Hitler acquired, “at the point
of his gun,” valuable territory
both industrially and otherwise
in Czechoslovakia for his “price
of peace.” Mussolini “approved”
Hitler’s tactics for the sake of
peace, too, as he calls it, al-
though both of these dictators
have shirked America as being a
gangster nation.

Fortunately, our authorities are
bringing Nazi spies to trial, for
should an army or naval de-
defense secret fall into the hands
of gangsters abroad our loss in
the future might be greater than
that of Czechoslovakia. Let
America be on its guard!

L. A. WARING

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Slogans Which Should
Guide All Americans

Editor, The Post:
Being an American, born here
of English and Scotch parents,
I have no reason for being either
pro-Nazi or pro-Fascist, neither
of which I am. However, from
facts which I have read in the
newspapers I am at a loss to
understand why meetings in the
East and North of either of the
above mentioned groups are at-
tacked, while meetings and or-
ganizations of Communists es-
cape the accusations made by
those who claim to be such ar-
dent exponents of democracy.

Some time ago I read about a
Communist camp which flour-
ished somewhere along the Hud-
sen River in New York. It was
used as a sort of recreation cen-
ter for Communists. Certainly
such camps as this should be in-
cluded in any campaign to rid
America of un-American activi-
ties.

Refugees from Russia as well
as those from Italy and Ger-
many should be the first to be
aroused by any groups of propa-
ganda, or destructive attacks on
our system of government, or
our social or economic system.

Appreciation, devotion and af-
fection for America, its trad-
tions, its economic system, its
freedom, its opportunities, its to-
lerance, should be the slogans to
guide those who have adopted
America as their home.

JOHN T. THAYER

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From Fairhope Comes
The Single-Tax Idea

Editor, The Post:
Allow me to mention a very
pressing need by editors having
the welfare of citizens truly at
heart.

More depends on truth and
facts in the teaching of eco-
nomics by such papers as yours
than possibly from any other