

# Wallsend Residents Say They Saw 'Flying Saucer'

Three residents of Wallsend believe that on Monday night between 5.20 p.m. and 5.30 p.m. they became the first people to see a "real flying saucer" over Newcastle.

They are Mr John Winning, a shop assistant at the Cooperative Store, Mrs. J. Johnson (Mr Winning's sister) and Mr Johnson, a carpenter at the Newcastle City Abattoirs. They say that they saw the object, which was, according to Mr. Johnson, "bigger or as big as a full moon," from the veranda of the Johnson's home at 78 Newcastle Rd., Wallsend.

Mr Winning said today that the object which was blue in color and was throwing off a vivid white light had "plunged from the sky approximately somewhere over Charlestown."

"It then seemed to curve around in a wide arc and disappear behind one of the hills between Charlestown and Cardiff," he added. "The object, which we saw for about five or six seconds, was round in appearance with a slightly tapered tail. As it came down

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Mr Johnson said that the circular object was brighter than anything he had ever seen in the sky.

"It was brighter than the brightest star, but its intense whitey blue light was entirely different from the color of the moon," he said.

Mr Johnson added that his wife saw the object first and cried out "What's that."

"John and I looked up and saw this bluey white circular disc which seemed to tilt over and then swerve into an arc at terrific speed to disappear behind a wooded hill about half a mile away," he said.