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# UFO SIGHTINGS RECALLED

TWO dozen or so people with open minds on the questions of flying saucers and life on Mars gathered at the Wheatstone Hall, Gloucester, to hear the Aetherius Society put the case for UFOs.

Phrases like 'we are being watched' and voices from the heavens were quoted in abundance, alongside interesting evidence of CIA cover-ups and UFOs spotted over Ross-on-Wye.

The Society battles against natural scepticism, but one of their surveys claimed that 72 per cent of those questioned believed in life on other planets and 16 per cent had actually experienced sightings.

"A lot of people believe in flying saucers but almost

everybody thinks that nobody else does," said Mr. Christopher Perry of the Society's European HQ in London.

Since they opened their UFO Hotline more than 600 sightings have been reported, including one over Ross-on-Wye. Two women said they spotted a rotating white object high in the sky, it was visible for 15 minutes on April 18 this year, said Mr. Perry.

The Society is running a national awareness campaign which sprang from an Alaskan sighting provoking great reaction in the USA late last year.

These extra-terrestrials have apparently been visiting the Earth for centuries and exert a tremendous

influence over life and conditions on the planet, said another speaker, Dr. Edward Prempeh.

The Aetherius Society was set up in the 1950s by George King, a Yoga man, healer and psychic.

He was told by a voice: "You are to become the voice of inter-planetary parliament," and since then he has received more than 600 messages.

Local organiser Mrs. Jean Berry said: "People always want proof, but no-one can prove anything to you, especially if your mind is closed."

The Society has arranged a season of talks, starting in Cheltenham on July 1 and more information is available from Mrs. Berry on Stonehouse 3887.