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# Christopher Fry (1907-2005)

(English dramatist, b. Bristol, d. Chichester; Quaker; friend of Robert Gittings and T. S. Eliot)

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