

BOOKER PRIZE DINNER

23 NOVEMBER 1972

CAFE ROYAL, REGENT STREET, LONDON W1

NOTE ON ARRANGEMENTS

1. Pre-dinner reception starts at 7.00 pm and dinner will be served at 7.30 pm. Dress informal - no receiving line.
2. Dinner will last approximately 1½ hours and at 9.00 pm approx, the toast master will introduce MR RAYNER UNWIN, the President of the Publishers Association who will introduce the Rt Hon ROY JENKINS MP, guest of honour.
3. Mr Jenkins will speak for approximately 15 minutes. Some notes on the Booker Prize itself and its history and an indication of some of the topics which might interest those present has been given to Mr Jenkins to assist him with the preparation of his speech.
4. The toastmaster will then introduce Mr Cyril Connolly, chairman of the judges, who will comment on the books submitted, the short list and will then announce the name of the winning author.
5. Mr ROY JENKINS, MP will then present the winning author, with the statuette and a cheque for £5000.
6. The toastmaster will then announce the winning author, who will make a short speech of thanks.
7. Mr W M Robson, a director of Booker McConnell and representing Mr G S Bishop, Chairman of Booker McConnell, will then be announced. He will:
  - (a) Congratulate the winner
  - (b) Congratulate and thank the judges
  - (c) Deliver other thanks, including to Mr Roy Jenkins, MP.
  - (d) Announce Bookers' sponsorship of the 1973 prize.

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