

PICK OF THE PAPERBACKS

Books that are gifts for all seasons are especially good for this, the gift-giving season. And paperbacks, less costly and nowadays as handsome as hardcovers, encourage the donor to be lavish. Just for the festival there are titles like *The Penguin Book of Christmas Carols*, edited by Elizabeth Poston (\$1.45), fifty songs with music for those who have the right spirit but not the words. Victorian holiday cheer is recalled in William Makepeace Thackeray's quaint *The Rose and the Ring* (Avon, 50é), wryly illustrated with the author's own line drawings. Also for children is John Harwood's A *Christmas Manger* (Puffin, 95é), a punch-out nativity scene bright enough to gladden any modern hearth. Our own favorite, *Garlands for Christmas* (Macmillan, 95é), is a fresh and nostalgic bouquet, gathered by Chad Walsh, of such poems as Robert Herrick's delicate "Go prettie child, and beare this Flower/Unto thy little Saviour" and Yeats's portentous "And what rough beast, its hour come round at last,/Slouches towards Bethlehem to be born."

Listed below, screened from the year's offerings, are our best bets for the Christmas stocking. –Rollene W. SAAL.

Fiction

BLACK HUMOR. Edited by Bruce Jay Friedman. Bantam. 75¢. Ah, the dark side of the moon, by such modern comedians as Edward Albee, Terry Southern, J. P. Donleavy. Spooky.

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