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SHEEP

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I might as well use class to sleep, Be another baa baa white sheep; I crave a class that requires concentration, One that's a challenge, rather than integration Into a society so mechanical That each professor has become tyrannical; Do it their way, memorize the facts, Else you're sure to get off track From the standard, the popular, pathetic, planned path, How many years spent in school? Do the math, We waste our youth "learning" to fit in, We do like the rest, become our neighbor's twin, What happened to independence, free thought? Oh, that's right, there's no value in it; it can't be bought And so we are losing that which is really priceless, Individuality, independence, inspiration don't impress In a world that's materialistic, mechanical, monotonous, So we climb into the cliché yellow school bus From our early years well into our twenties, Spend excessive time in schools and universities, Only to learn our place in the government's grid, Only to learn to do as we are bid. ⁽³⁾

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