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The boys in leather coats come—
chompin' on yellow jackets—sting
ray, mongoose, dynosaur . . .

Splay your skin on flakeboard,
sacrifice blood to idols of play.
Rise up you park bench infidels!
you peanut butter choke artists
and basement tattoo mistresses!

Heed the warning of your demise
come Hell or the pastor's daughter.
Take off your socks and baptize
your toes individually. Mince meat.