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XTC "Across This Antheap"

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A billion feet sound just like a billion drums A bed is creaking as the messiah comes The cars are crashing and the bacon is hacked The coffin's lowered and the lunches get packed

Still segregating 'cause we insects are too proud Doesn't matter what colour of cat you are there's no dogs allowed And the screaming sky won't let me sleep The stars are laughing at us As we crawl on and on across this antheap

War planes go over but no wages go 'round A sign goes up to say hey we're twin towned The dough is rising but no bread will be baked The fur is genuine but the orgasm's faked

We're spending millions to learn to speak porpoise When human loneliness is still a deafening noise And the screaming sky won't let me sleep The stars are laughing at us As we crawl on and on across this antheap

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And all the world's babies are crying still While all the police cars harmonize with power drills As jets and kettles form a chord with screeching gulls Accompanied by truncheons keeping time on human skulls

And the screaming sky won't let me sleep The stars are laughing at us As we crawl on and on past lovers who'll leap On and on past widows who'll weep On and on no more than skin deep On and on across this antheap

On and on, on and on On and on

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