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—to B. F. Skinner

gnats are just what you'd expect they're much the same as roaches,
a little too small to deliver the mail or pass for basketball coaches.

Giraffes, like gnats, have limitations
They're too prudish to work in bars
They're never happy with two week vacations
And they don't fit in company cars.

The best kind of animal seems to be man,
Twice as good as a mouse and then some
He's easy to train, he understands language,
And he has an opposable thumb.

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