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"First Memory"
(Mrs. Ford)

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By Jerome Agel

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Ross and Norris D. McWhirter: Our first memory, not unnaturally, is of each other. Since we suppose that it is the same for all identical twins, this is not a fact so startlingly unusual that it could be included in the "Guinness Book of World Records"—which we author, here in England.

One of our mother's preoccupations was in endeavoring to prevent, or at least mitigate, physical injury due to our endeavors to emulate Houdini, as escapologists. We both have memories (though not our first) of the protective netting across the top of our respective cots, and the elaborate harness

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