

Madge and Badger



In frequency of occurrence, Siamese twins are conjoined at the upper chest (28%), thorax (18.5%), lower chest (10%), and nose (1%). Rare, indeed, is it for twins to be attached at the leg (0.008%). Yet that's what befell Madge and Badger Pringler, who overcame that little impediment to become classical ballet dancers. Not *great* ones, you understand, but certainly good enough to be featured entertainers in the Dinklaker Dance Hall Revue from 1971 to 1984. Numerous surgeons offered to separate the two, but they refused, persistently quoting their late Uncle Aristotle: "The family that sticks together, bricks together!" Neither Madge nor Badger ever explained the meaning of that aphorism, though they steadfastly adhered to it – much as their legs adhered to each other.