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HOW TO GET RID OF RATS
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"How to Get Rid of Rats," a one-reel motion picture on rat control, is among the recent releases of the Office of Motion Pictures of the United States Department of Agriculture.

This picture outlines briefly the methods recommended by the Biological Survey for the extermination of rats, including some recent developments that are proving of great value in the control of this pest. For example, red squill is advocated for use about poultry houses and in other places where farm animals might be endangered by the use of more virulent poisons. The procedure followed in fumigating rodent burrows with calcium cyanide is illustrated in detail, as well as some of the older methods of control, such as trapping, and hunting with dogs and ferrets.

Emphasis is laid upon methods of rat-proofing and of the need of eliminating hiding places and sources of food supply, as steps looking toward permanent relief from this pest.

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