

War Secret: Rats That Were Bombs

LONDON. — William Walton, 58, recently disclosed a secret of the war. Every Monday during the war he visited the British war office carrying a box, a secret weapon. He is a rat catcher and in the box were two dozen rats.

“The rats were sent to Oxford University,” said Walton. “They were killed, skinned, and filled with high explosive.”

They then became part of a commando's equipment. The rats were left near vital installations in enemy territory. Any one touching them set off the detonator.