Use a piece of plate glass mounted in an iron frame, with two 60-watt lamps permanently mounted at equal heights and at equal distances from the glass, one in front of and one behind the glass. The lamp on the opposite side of the glass from the minibox is controled by the toggle switch on the minibox. The other lamp is not connected in any way.

Set the apparatus in the center (lengthwise) of the lecture table, with the lamp that can be lighted toward the students. (See Note.) Call attention to the two lamps. Turn on the switch. The students will see not only the lamp in front of the glass lighted, but also, apparently, the one behind the glass lighted. Unscrew the lamp behind the glass, perhaps acting as if it burns the fingers, finally removing it entirely from its socket. Because of the virtual image of the lighted lamp, the students will still apparently see in place and lighted the lamp that has been removed. (If one prefers, the entire electrical box on which the one lamp is mounted can be removed with the lamp, simply by lifting the box vertically.)

Note: It makes little or no difference whether the room is darkened. Shades can be left up and the lights on if desired.