

RIVERDALE—A 9-year-old boy drowned Wednesday in an abandoned quarry near 138th and Halsted Streets.

Police said Victor L. Dixon of 521 W. 80th St., Chicago, was playing on a make-shift raft with another boy when he jumped into the water five feet from shore.

The rescue squad of the Riverdale Volunteer Fire Department recovered the body 45 minutes after the boy went down. The accident happened at 6:45 p.m.

The Dixon boy and a friend, Eric Williams, 10, of 526 W. 80th St., Chicago, apparently were unaware the water was about 15 feet deep at the spot where they jumped.

Eric swam safely to shore. He told police Dixon could not swim.

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