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Little Boy Killed By Pet Bulldog

Anthony Vento, 3 Years Old, Is Victim of Life-long Comrade.

Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock for Anthony Vento, 3 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Vento, 1735 Delachaise street, who died Monday afternoon from wounds received during the morning when attacked while playing with Jim, his playmate, a bulldog.

The attack took place shortly after 11 o'clock in the rear yard of a grocery store, 3501 Haronne street, operated by Alphonse LaForte, uncle of the child and owner of Jim.

For three years the boy and the dog were inseparable. The dog was acquired when the child was born and from babyhood and puppyhood the grew together ...

Monday morning about 11 o'clock the child, as was habit, wandered over the meet Jim. He made his way through his uncle's store to the entrance and into the yard. Mrs. LaForte, sister of Mrs. Vento, and his son, Joseph LaForte, were waiting on customers. They and the customers smiled as the child trundled by.

About thirty minutes later, Mr. LaForte, white-faced and bare-handed, rushed into the store with the boy in his arms. Blood was gushing from a wound in the boy's neck and forehead where the dog had bitten him. The boy was taken to the Toure Infirmary, where he died at 3 o'clock without regaining consciousness.

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