

Sanborn Enterprise: Engineer Ed Cline of the Branch passenger train ran over and killed three wolves on his route between Sanborn and McHenry. When he first sighted them on the track ahead of the locomotive he mistook them for dogs. Approaching closer he recognized them as coyotes or prairie wolves and opening up the throttle he ran them down—a she wolf and her two whelps. The mother left the track and tried to induce her cubs to follow but without avail, seeing which she returned and ran ahead of the train with her young wolves until fatally struck, one after another, one being severed in twain. One cannot but admire and pity the mother who made the supreme sacrifice rather than desert her babies in the time of danger, even though she be a wolf, an outlaw with a price upon her head.