Dear Ider M.:

What a fine article that was in the Atlantic Monthly! Sallie and I read it with great joy.

It may interest you to know that Kansas was the first state in the Union to fill up her entire quota of naval en-
listments and that Kansas
now ranks fifth in the states
of the Union in the percent-
age of her enlistments since
war was declared. New York
is 24th, Pennsylvania 18th,
and Massachusetts 33rd, with
Vermont 48th and most of the
New England and Seaboard states
well down in the 40's. The
West and the Middle West are in
the first group of states in percentage of enlistments.

We do not talk much out here. We are not given to noise about our patriotism but we do show up with the goods when it is necessary.

I am sending you here-with an editorial from tonight's Gazette about our beloved President, which I hope you will read
carefully, consider prayerfully and return with the corners of the leaves not turned down.

Truly and sincerely,

[Signature]

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In one Kansas county of less than 1,500 inhabitants were volunteer 65-8 enlisted since the declaration of war. They came from the states of Missouri and Delaware.