

as a barrier against the Canadianizing process. The Ukrainian rank and file would give no trouble if it were not for the racial propagandists who aspire to lead them for profit, but the powers of these mischief-makers have been much curtailed since they have been deprived of special educational favors in the Prairie Provinces.

ALIEN ASSURANCE.

A convention of Ukrainians held in Saskatoon a few days ago passed several resolutions which showed a good deal of assurance. The convention expressed its "strong disapproval" of educational amendments "by which the 65,000 Ukrainian people of Saskatchewan are being discriminated against as one particular nationality." It protested "most strongly" against the appointment of Dr. T. M. Anderson as Director of Education for the non-English settlements in Saskatchewan because of "his marked hostility to the Ukrainian citizens of Canada." It demanded the "immediate repeal" of the order in Council prohibiting the publication of Ukrainian books and newspapers without the required English translation in parallel columns. It is true the delegates expressed pleasure at the Allied victory and affirmed their loyalty, but in attacking the educational laws of Saskatchewan they assume that the privilege of using or teaching their own language in the primary schools, which they have had for years to a limited extent, belongs to them as a right. If the demands of the Ukrainians were conceded every other alien group in the country would have the same claim. Alien propaganda across the line prompted Colonel Roosevelt to ask whether the United States was a nation or a polyglot boarding-house. Canadians might ask the same question of their own country if every foreign-born element were allowed to use the schools to propagate its own language and culture.

In every alien section of the population there is a group of agitators who are financially interested in stimulating and perpetuating racial sentiment, and keeping people of their own blood out of the main current of national life. The English tongue is the great amalgamating influence; hence their zeal to maintain their own language