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Dear Mrs. Dale:

Your letter of March 4 to the Secretary of War has been referred to me for reply.

The War Department in conjunction with the War Relocation Authority has now established a joint board, the purpose of which is to pass on the loyalty of Japanese American citizens, and as far as is consistent with the military situation allow them to leave the War Relocation Centers.

I assure you that it is not the intention of the War Department to engage in any racial prejudices, and I think there is no doubt that the War Relocation Authority has done a splendid piece of work in assisting the Japanese Americans along the West Coast to find temporary new homes. It may very well be that the military situation will become such that many of these people now in Relocation Centers will be able to return to their homes before the war is over.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED)

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