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these experiences to larger questions of American race relations and views on gender and their intersections, particularly in the country's

highly charged wartime atmosphere. Uncovering a page in American history that has been obscured, Moore adds nuance to our understanding of the situation of Japanese Americans during the war.