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INTRODUCTION

Biographical Note

Tano Jodai was born on July 3rd, 1886 in Daito Machi, Japan. After graduating from high school she went to the Japan Women's College. She took English classes and was encouraged to make international friends. She graduated from college in 1910. Dr. Inazo Nitobe had done a lecture at Wells and suggested that Tano Jodai go to Wells, despite the fact that studying abroad from Japan was a rarity at that time. Tano Jodai waited but was at Wells by September 1913, on a scholarship from Mrs. Carpenter. She specialized in English and graduated from Wells with a Master of Arts degree in June 1917. Thereafter she returned to Japan to teach English. After returning to America in 1924 she studied literature at Graduate School of the University of Michigan, and then at Cambridge University in Connecticut. By 1927 she was back at the Japan Women's University as the chairman of the English department. In 1949 she returned to the states to study university administration at Smith College. She was one of the first of three Japanese women allowed to leave Japan after World War II. By 1950 she had returned and was the Academic Dean of the Japanese Women's College University, and in March 1956 was elected president of Japanese Women's College University. She retired in 1965. Throughout her life she retained a close connection with Wells, even having a 50 year reunion with the class she graduated with. Her death is unknown.

Related Material

Mineo Tadaka Papers

Jodai, Tano, Fold out picture book (in collection box)

Books in the Japanese language formerly owned by Tano Jodai, Wells alumna, volume 9 (in collection box)

Books in the Japanese language formerly owned by Tano Jodai, Wells alumna, volume 10 (in collection box)

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DESCRIPTION OF THE PAPERS

Scope and Content Note

The Tano Jodai Japanese Women's College Collection primarily contains letters between Jane Morgan, Eleanor Martin, and Tano Jodai, relating to the history of Wells College and its interactions with the Japanese Women's College University from the mid 1960s to the early 1970s. The collection also contains numerous newspaper clippings and additional miscellaneous items related to each of the colleges and their histories together.

Organization and Arrangement

The papers are organized into 19 series.

Series Descriptions

Series 1, Correspondence from Jane Ayers and Tano Jodai

Series 2, Correspondence from Eleanor Martin and Jane Ayer-Morgan

Series 3, Correspondence from Eleanor Martin and Tano Jodai

Series 4, Correspondence from Eleanor Martin with Miscellaneous

Series 5, Correspondence from Eleanor Martin with Miscellaneous

Series 6, Correspondence from L.J. Long with Miscellaneous

Series 7, Correspondence from Miscellaneous

Series 8, Alumni Report with Japanese Women's College University

Series 9, Report- Report to Board of Trustees on Japanese Women's College University

Series 10, Report- Christmas Greeting from Tano Jodai

Series 11, Sister College Miscellaneous

Series 12, History- Wells College and Japanese Women's College University

Series 13, History- Miscellaneous

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Series 14, Japan Society and Asia Society

Series 15, Alumni News

Series 16, Newspapers

Series 17, Photographs

Series 18, Miscellaneous

Series 19, Miscellaneous Articles

Series 20, Miscellaneous Lecture and Display

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Series 1:			
1	1	1961-1967	Correspondence from Jane Ayers and Tano Jodai
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1	2	1957-1973	Correspondence from Eleanor Martin and Jane Ayers-Morgan
Series 3:			
1	3	1957-1961	Correspondence from Eleanor Martin and Tano Jodai
Series 4:			
1	4	1957-1961	Correspondence from Eleanor Martin with Miscellaneous
Series 5:			
1	5	1956-1968	Correspondence from Jane Ayers-Morgan with Miscellaneous
Series 6:			
1	6	1956-1968	Correspondence from L.J. Long with Miscellaneous.
Series 7:			
1	7	1958-1982	Correspondence from Miscellaneous
Series 8:			
1	8	n.d.	Alumni Report with Japanese Women's College University
Series 9:			
1	9	1957-1960	Report- Report to Board of Trustees on Japanese Women's College University
Series 10:			
1	10	1958-1967	Report- Christmas Greeting from Tano Jodai
Series 11:			
1	11	n.d.	Sister College Miscellaneous

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Series 13:			
1	13	n.d.	History- Miscellaneous
Series 14:			
1	14	n.d.	Japan Society and Asia Society
Series 15:			
1	15	1956 - 1961	Alumni News
Series 16:			
1	16	1956-1978	Newspapers
Series 17:			
1	17	n.d.	Photographs
Series 18:			
1	18	n.d.	Miscellaneous
Series 19:			
1	19	n.d.	Miscellaneous Articles
Series 20:			
1	20	n.d.	Miscellaneous Lecture and Display