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Summary Information

Repository:	Avery Architectural and Fine Arts Library
Creator:	Stern, Ruth Inez, 1900-1993
Title:	Letters on Japan and Aisaku Hayashi
ID:	12916821
Date [inclusive]:	1930
Physical Description:	2 items
Language of the Material:	English .

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Biographical sketch

Aisaku Hayashi was general manager of the Imperial Hotel (Tokyo, Japan). Hayashi was introduced to Frank Lloyd Wright in 1911 by art collector Frederick W. Gookin. This meeting eventually led to Wright receiving the 1916 commission to design the Imperial Hotel. By 1930, Hayashi was director of the Koshien Hotel in Nishinomiya, Japan.

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Summary

This small collection contains two letters: one from Ruth Stern to her family in which she discusses various experiences as an American new to Japan and introduces Aisaku Hayashi. The letter is written on Imperial Hotel stationery and is dated August 25, 1930. In her correspondence to her family, she encloses the second letter in the collection, a short letter from Aisaku Hayashi to Stern dated August 22, 1930. In the letter, Hayashi discusses his view on Japanese people and details an anecdote about his time as manager of the Imperial Hotel.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Restrictions on Access

This collection is available for use by appointment in the Department of Drawings & Archives, Avery Architectural and Fine Arts Library, Columbia University. For further information, please email avery-drawings@library.columbia.edu.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

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- Hotels -- Japan -- Tokyo
- Hotels -- Japan -- History -- 20th century
- Travelers -- Japan -- History -- 20th century
- Visitors, Foreign -- Japan -- History -- 20th century
- Japan -- Social life and customs
- Japan -- Description and travel
- United States -- Foreign public opinion, Japanese
- Wright, Frank Lloyd, 1867-1959
- Teikoku Hoteru. Imperial Hotel

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