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AT:	<u>21:22</u>	Did you ever come into the city at all, in Chicago? When you were living and growing up in Palatine?
KO:	<u>21:28</u>	We still had some family members that lived, extended family members that still live in the city, so we would come in for that. You know, my grandparents still lived here, some aunts and uncles, some cousins did. And so we would do that. But in, in many ways though, I think we, moving away. I think that changed that dynamic quite a bit because then you, you did lose a little bit of that, um, heritage, that connection, culture a little bit. Um, 'cause I know some people that, that stayed in the city, some were Sansei, that I think were much more connected to their heritage than, than we were.
AT:	<u>22:10</u>	Um, and so the times that you would come into the city, um, were you aware or did you recognize like a Japanese- something of a Japanese American community here? Or is businesses or restaur- you know?
KO:	<u>22:29</u>	A little bit. I mean it was mostly the North Side here, Lincoln Park area, I think, um, Lakeview. I think we saw some- where there were some Japanese businesses still around. Um, but you know, we saw that decline over time. It just, it just decreased and I think people end up scattering and that, that cohesive community that sort of used to be there, you know, just kind of started to, dissolving quite a bit. So I mean, to the point right now where, I don't know, you know it it's, you know, how strong or how big a community that that truly is today.

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