

A McDonalds hamburger, fries, and large Coke: 45 cents.

At Burger Chef; cheeseburger, fries, and a large Coke; 50 cents. (The Big Chef would not appear until 1966.)

A Big Chief, onion rings, and a Chocolate Coke at the TeePee drive-in; \$1.20. (Frisch's Big Boy platter and a drink were \$1.35.)

A gallon of Cities Service Ethyl was 26 cents.

A pack of Lucky Strikes cost 20 cents. (25 cents out of a cigarette machine.)

Movies at a downtown theater (Circle, Lyric, Lowes, Indiana, or Keith) 50 cents (before 6 PM)

City bus fare was 20 cents. (2 cents more for a transfer.)

Monthly phone bill: \$4.95 (average). "Information" was free.

P.O.P. (Pay One Price) all day rides at Riverside Amusement Park; \$1.00.

A day of swimming at Longacre Pool; 35 cents. (But you could go to the Garfield Park pool for 15 cents.)

Pay (Indiana Bell) telephones were black and "boxey" in brown booths (ashtray equipped) with cushioned seats and sliding glass doors. A call would cost you 10 cents, but a call to the operator or Information would send your dime clanging back into the coin return.

Copy of The Indianapolis Times newspaper; 7 cents.

Half gallon of milk; 25 cents.

Bouncin' Bill Baker was spinning the platters on WIBC. The "Emperor" and Jackson "Q" Sundae and Jay Reynolds were two of the WIFE Good Guys.

Selwin was hosting the Saturday afternoon Tarzan movies on WISH-TV Ch. 8.

Sammy Terry was giving us all "pleasant nightmares" on WTTV, Channel 4. Wilhelmina followed Sammy with an even worse movie!

Happy Herb brought us Popeye cartoons from the "poop deck" studio prop at Channel 4. (Cowboy Bob was still in college; Janie was a Ch. 4 "intern".)

David Letterman was a student at Broad Ripple High School.

Jane Pauley was a student at Warren Central.

Harlow Hickenlooper and Curley Meyers kept us laughing with the 3 Stooges on Saturday mornings (Ch. 6, at 9:00)

Dick Summers hosted the Teen Dance Party on Ch. 8.

You could do the twist at Fox's Skating Rink, or at The Whiteland Barn.

Herman Hoglebogle was fixing problems for readers of The Indianapolis News.

The Hinkle Fieldhouse, the State Fair Coliseum, and Clowes Hall were the biggest, the best, and considered "state of the art".

Debbie Drake was leading the morning exercises on Ch. 8. Jack Lalane was doing the same on Ch.6.

Frances Farmer hosted the Channel 6 late afternoon movie on WFBM TV (6).

Ruth Lyons 50 / 50 Club took up 2 hours from 12 N - 2 PM on WLW-I Ch.13.

There were no Country music radio stations in town.

There were many German language radio programs but no Spanish language stations.

FM was strictly for classical or "show tunes".
WGEE, 1590 AM played music for "Colored" listeners.

You could live in Marion County but not be a resident of the city of Indianapolis. 38th Street was the line between the "haves" (North) and the "have nots" (South).

Greenwood was considered to be a "hick" town.

Castleton was a gas station.

Fishers was a train depot.

Carmel was a truckstop on Rt. 31.

Avon was a red flashing stop signal along Rt. 36.

Eagle Creek was just THAT!

The "max" was dinner at the King Cole Restaurant, and a show at the Embers on the North Meridian "strip" of up-scale night life.

"Dream proms" were held at the Indiana Roof, and dinner at the Key West Shrimp House or at Brody's". (21st & Arlington).

Women were "taking it off" at the Fox Theater.

Greyhound and Trailways buses came and went from the Traction Terminal (old Interurban) shed on W. Market St. You could catch a train to Chicago about once every hour at Union Station. (\$12.00 round trip!)

You could fly out on a TWA "jet" airliner at "Weir Cook Municipal Airport".

You got your prescriptions filled at Hooks, Haags, or Rexall drug stores.

You got groceries at Kroger, Standard, Galyan's or Marsh supermarkets. (or at Porky Lane.)

Interstate 465 was a short 4 lane "highway" that served only to connect you to the "big" State and National Routes.

No cable; No Internet; No wireless; No self-serv; No drive-thrus; No ATM's.