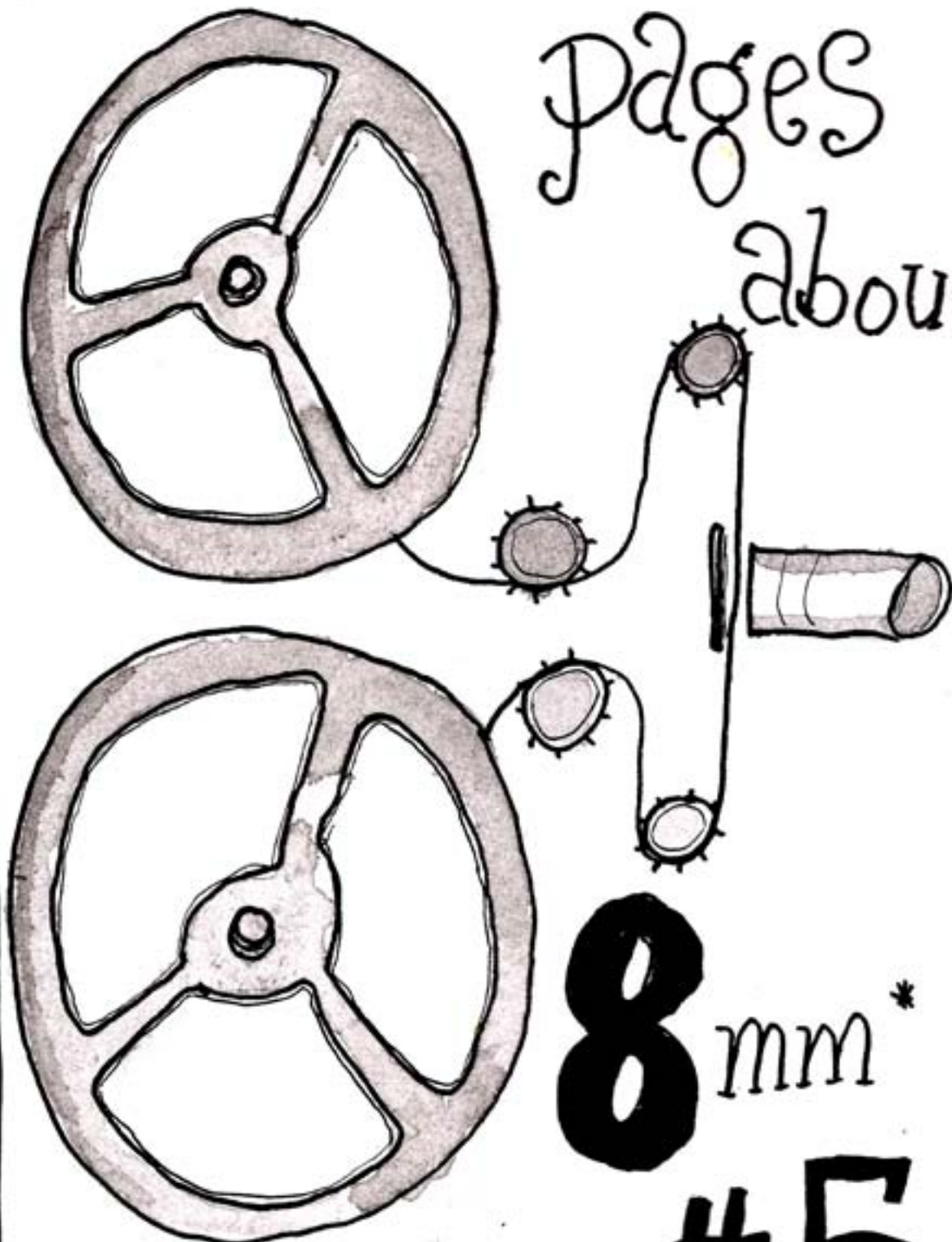


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\* Collecting  
silent movies

**8** mm\*

**#5**



Before video tape,

Before DVD 



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if you wanted to see a movie, you went to a theatre



or waited until it showed on TV (with commercials)



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Another option:  
buy an 8mm print and watch it at home on



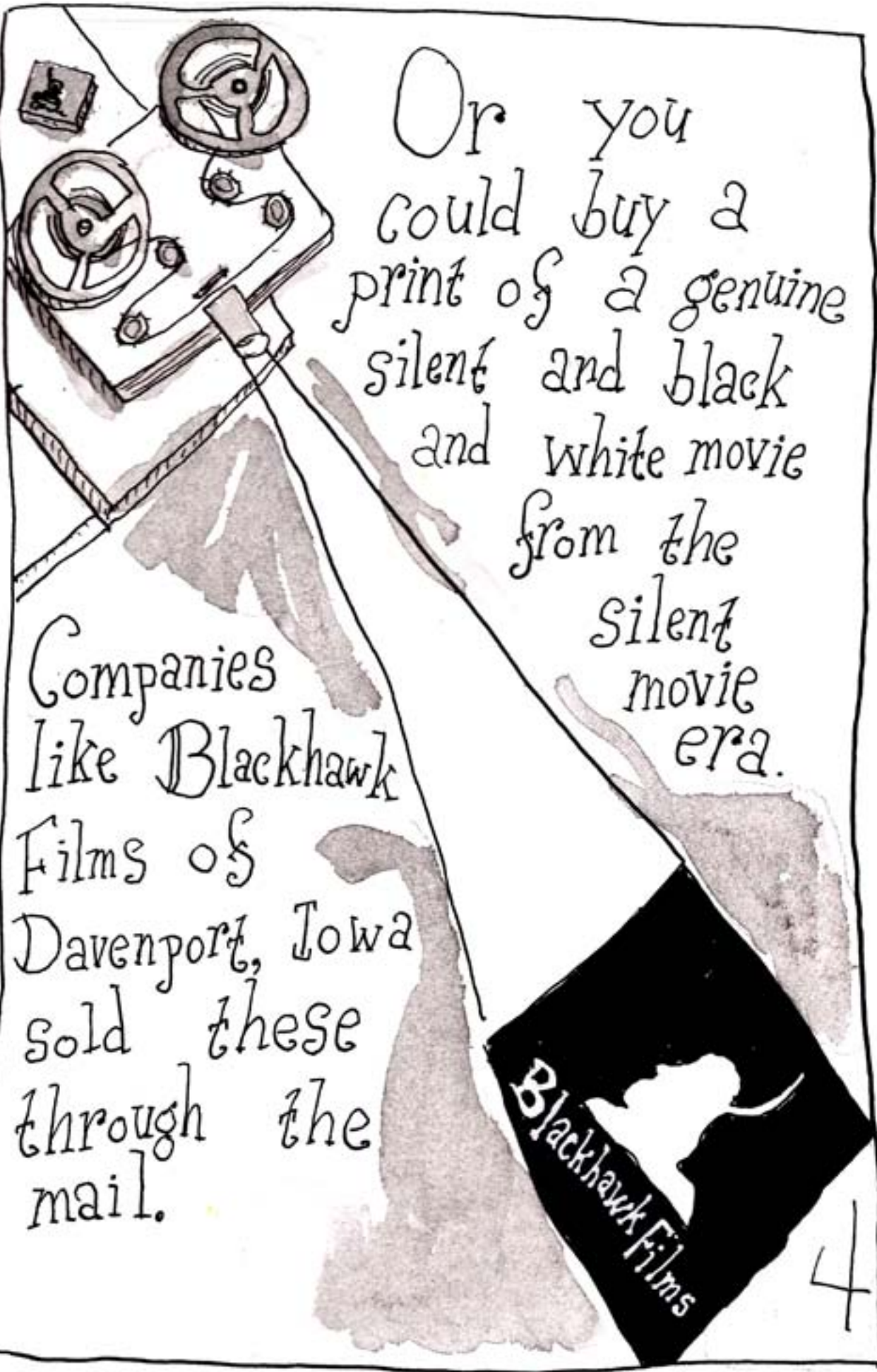
your movie projector.  
Stores used to carry 8mm highlight



reels of popular feature films in black and white and silent.



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Or you could buy a print of a genuine silent and black and white movie from the silent movie era.

Companies like Blackhawk Films of Davenport, Iowa sold these through the mail.



During my teen years I would regularly send off a money order and order form in the mail. The two weeks before I got that package from Blackhawk Films was almost unbearable



I'd rip open that brown package and get that reel on the projector as fast as I could.

The film still smelled of developer



And there it was: a silent masterpiece like Buster Keaton's "Cops"

alive in shadow on the wall of my bedroom

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