

167)... two similar oil paintings from 1949 by local artist Roger GERSON (*1913, +1966) representing **panoramic views of Diekirch** are shown one at the Town Hall of Diekirch, the other at the Mount Vernon/Iowa Visitor's Center in the US. After World War II some US-cities adopted heavily damaged localities from Bulge-battlefields and helped them survive and raise from the ground reconstructing houses and facilities. Mount Vernon citizens chose to support the town of Diekirch with its 7 War orphans, namely René (*May 26, 1939) and Pierre (*Jan. 6, 1942) NOESEN, sons of Antoine NOESEN, killed on Feb. 25, 1944 at the Hinzert-camp; Pierre (*Aug. 21, 1941) and Henri (*Mar. 31, 1940) MATGEN, sons of de Valentin MATGEN, who died on Sept. 27, 1944; Colette (*July 26, 1935) and Jacqueline (*June 3, 1938) WEYLAND, daughters of Jean-Pierre WEYLAND, deceased on Dec. 3, 1945 and finally Nicole LEMMER (*May 12, 1940), daughter of Jean LEMMER, also killed on Feb. 25, 1944 at Hinzert-camp. 42 bales of clothing, shoes, sheets, soap, food and books weighing 1.261 lb, a Kodascope-projector and funds of about 500 \$ were distributed in 1950 in Diekirch-town. To show his gratitude to the citizens of Mount Vernon, the mayor of Diekirch Alphonse GREISCH (* 1988, +1969) sent through his daughter Josyane (*1925, +2017), bacteriology student at the University of Champagne-Urbana/Illinois some 209 miles from Mount Vernon, this GERSON-painting currently on display at the Mount Vernon Visitor's Center. (bp, me, cw, fg, cb, jb, jib, mb, 2020-12-12_bp)

J. HERR: *Distribution of gifts from Mount Vernon/Iowa (USA) at primary school premises in Diekirch, 1950. In: Diekirch, Hier et Aujourd'hui, Histoire illustrée et population, 1980, page 243*

P. BONERT, M. EVANS: *Mount Vernon/Iowa (USA) Hawkeye-Record & Lisbon Herald, Originals from 1948 to 1960 (pdf; 24 pages; 7,1 MB) (link updated 2020-04-27_bp)*

P. BONERT, M. EVANS: *Mount Vernon/Iowa (USA) Hawkeye-Record & Lisbon Herald, Transcripts & comments, 1948 - 1960 (pdf, 15 pages, 287 KB) (link updated 2020-04-27_bp)*

J. HANSEN: *(Topic on painter Roger GERSON) Immuable Oesling. In: d'Letzebuenger Land du 24.08.2009 (png, 349 KB) (link updated 2020-09-13)*

P. BONERT: *3 Views of Diekirch from the Herrenberg, 1949, N° 1/3 (Diekirch City Collection), N° 2/3 (Private collection) et N° 3/3 (Mount Vernon/Iowa USA Collection). (jpg, 287 KB) (link updated 2020-04-27_bp)*

P. BONERT: *Situation of Mount Vernon/Iowa (Diekirch-picture by Roger GERSON, Diekirch), Dyersville/Iowa (Hometown of Jim BONERT), Dubuque/Iowa (Nicholas GONNER-funeral monument by Michel DEUTSCH, Diekirch) and Champagne-Urbana/Illinois (University attended by Josyane GREISCH, Diekirch) (link updated 2020-11-23_bp)*

Diekirch City, MH[s]D: Views of Diekirch from the Herrenberg, 1949, N° 1/3 et N° 2/3. In: Exposition Roger GERSON, 1913-1966, 2013, ISBN: 978-99959-676-6-6, p. 58-59 (pdf, 4,1 MB)(link updated 2020-09-19_bp)

Mount Vernon Lisbon > Community Development Group (link updated 2020-11-16_bp)

Ciné-Kodak > Home Movie Equipment, 1940 (pdf; 8,8 MB)(link updated 2020-04-30)

Cinémathèque of Brittany (France) > Kodascope eight 46 projector (pdf, 2 pages, 461 KB) (link updated 2020-11-16_bp)

Obituary Josyane GREISCH in Luxemburger Wort (link updated 2020-04-30_bp)

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Distribution of gifts from Mount Vernon/Iowa (USA) at the primary school premises of Diekirch town in 1950. From the left to the right: Nicolas BARTHEL (*1883; +1960), alderman; Sisy WEYLAND-SCHLIER, widow of Jean-Pierre Antoine WEYLAND (*1897, +1945); Alphonse GREISCH (*1884, +1969), mayor; Jenny PRINTZ-SCHLIER, sister of Sisy WEYLAND-SCHLIER and spouse of Charles PRINTZ, owner of bookshop-papetry PRINTZ; Andrée GREISCH, daughter of Alphonse GREISCH, sister of Josyane GREISCH and spouse of member of Luxembourg parliament and government Jean WOLTER (*1926, +1980); Félicie LANNERS (*1909,+1992), housework-teacher; Sister Consolatrix (BOCK); Mathilde FALTZ (*1917, +2013), teacher; Victor ELZ (*1905, +1975); Sister Martina (KRACK). [Photography: NN_1950; Legend: Jos HERR in Diekirch, Hier et Aujourd'hui, 1980, p. 243]



Panoramic views of the city of Diekirch near the Sauer-River (bottom), oil paintings by Roger GERSON from 1949, shown at the town hall in Diekirch (top left) and at Visitor's Center à Mount Vernon/Iowa Visitor's Center in the USA (top right), 55 miles from Dubuque where Diekirch sculptor Michel DEUTSCH made the funeral monument for the famous Luxembourg emigrant Nicholas GONNER. [Photographies: Diekirch Town Hall: bp_2014; Mount Vernon Visitor's Center: Jerry L. MENNENGA_2019; Diekirch Panorama in Diekirch: bp_2016; Diekirch Panorama in Mount Vernon: Mary EVANS_2020, member of the Mount Vernon Historic Preservation Commission; GONNER-funeral monument: Jim BONERT_2019]