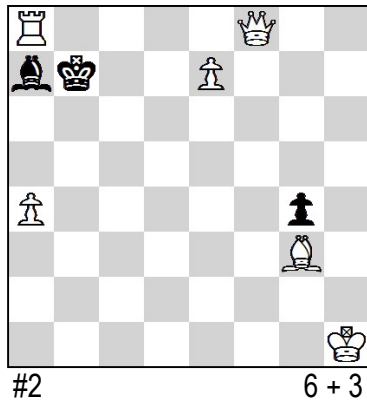


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1.



Yu. Zelensky
64 — Shakhmatnoe obozrenie

1. ♖f6? ♜b6!

1. ♖f1! [5]

1... ♜b6 ~ 2. ♖a6†

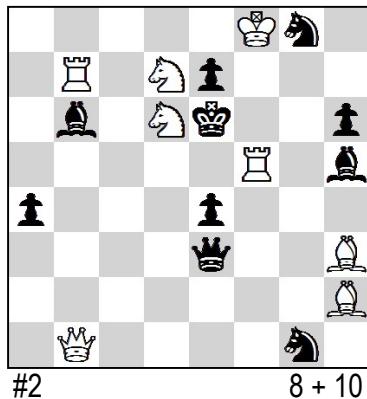
1... ♜b6 2. ♖g2†

1... ♖xa8 2. ♖g2†

1... ♖c6, ♖b6 2. ♖b5†

YACPD:389258

2.



Franz Pachl
5th Prize Sächsische Zeitung 1982-1983

1. ♘xe4? > 2. ♜e5† but 1... ♖f2! [2. ♖xe4†??]

1. ♘b5? > 2. ♜e5† but 1... ♖f3! [2. ♖xb6†??]

1. ♘c4? > 2. ♜e5† but 1... ♖f4! [2. ♖a2†??]

1. ♘e8? > 2. ♜e5† but 1... ♜xe8!

1. ♘f7? > 2. ♜e5† but 1... ♜xf7!

1. ♘c8! [5] > 2. ♜e5†

1... ♖f2 2. ♖xe4†

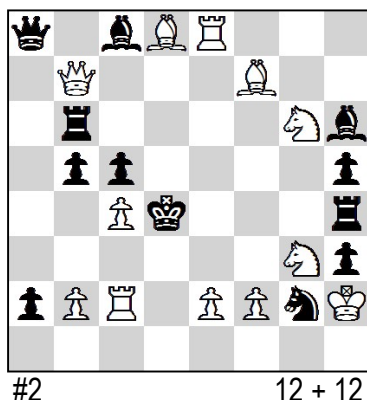
1... ♖f3 2. ♖xb6†

1... ♖f4 2. ♖a2†

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White combinations
with 3 thematic tries

3.



Hendrik Prins
1st Prize Probleemblad 1981

1. ♘f4? > 2. ♜e4† / ♜d2† 1... ♜e6 2. ♜f6† but 1... ♜e6!

1. f4? > 2. ♜e4† / ♜d2† 1... ♜e6 2. ♘f5† but 1... ♜e6!

1. ♜e6? > 2. ♜f6† / ♘f5† 1... ♜f4 2. ♜e4† but 1... ♜f4!

1. ♜e6? > 2. ♜f6† / ♘f5† 1... ♜f4 2. ♜d2† but 1... ♜f4!

1. cxb5! [5] > 2. ♜c4†

1... ♜e6 2. ♘f5†

1... ♜e6 2. ♜f6†

1... ♘e3 2. ♜d2†

1... ♖a4 2. ♖d5†

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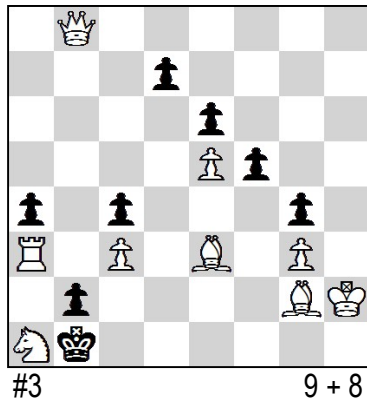
Novotny, White Grimshaw
and White Novotny
in the virtual play;

Grimshaw in the solution

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4.

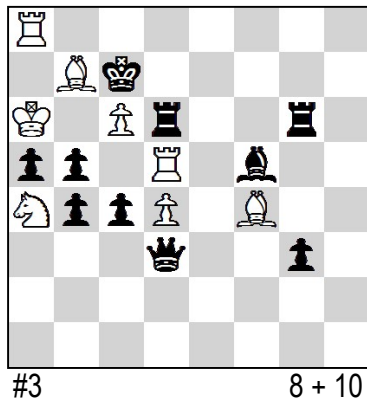


Johann H. Koers
Schach-Delikatessen 1961

1. ♖c6! > 2. ♖xa4 [2.5] > 3. ♖c2†
1... dxc6 2. ♚b7! [2.5] f4 3. ♚h7†
c5 3. ♚h1†

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5.

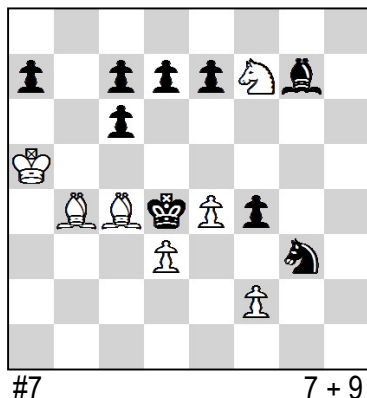


Cor Goldschmeding
1st Honorable Mention
145th Theme Tourney Probleemblad

1. ♘c5! > 2. ♘e6+ [1] 2... ♗xe6 3. ♗xd6†
2... ♖xe6 3. ♖c8†
1... ♚e2 2. ♚a7! [1] > 3. ♘a6† 2... ♗c8 3. ♖xc8†
[2. ♚xb5? c3+! / 2. ♚xa5? ♚a2+!]
1... ♚e3 2. ♚xb5! [1] > 3. ♘a6† 2... ♗c8 3. ♖xc8†
[2. ♚xa5? ♚a3+! / 2. ♚a7? ♚xd4!]
1... ♚e4 2. ♚xa5! [1] > 3. ♘a6† 2... ♗c8 3. ♖xc8†
[2. ♚a7? ♚xd4! / 2. ♚xb5? ♚xd5!]
1... ♗d7 2. ♗xd7 [1] > 3. ♖c8† 2... ♖g8 3. ♗xd6†

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6.



Petro A. Novitsky
2nd Prize Troll 1999-2000

1. ♘g5! [> 2. ♘f3†] ♚e5
2. ♗c3+ ♚d6
3. e5+! ♗xe5
4. ♘f7+ ♚c5
5. ♗b4+ ♚d4
6. ♘g5! [5] > 7. ♘f3†

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