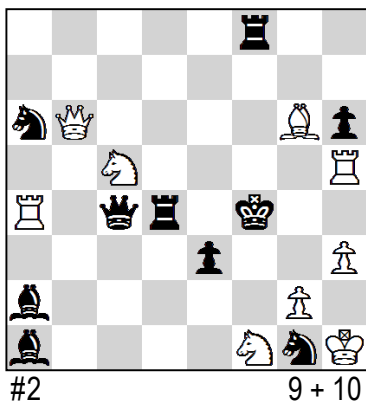


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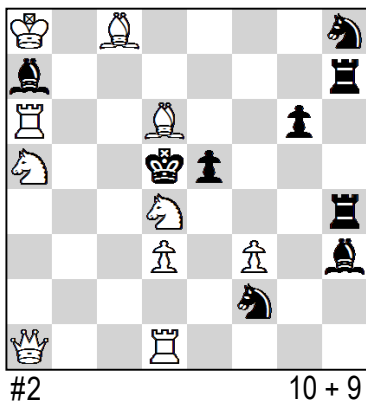
1.



Olexandr I. Zaizhdzhai  
Comm. Mistetski shakhi 2000-05

- |           |   |          |            |     |   |          |
|-----------|---|----------|------------|-----|---|----------|
| 1. ♖c6?   | > | 2. g3‡   | 1. ♕d8!    | [5] | > | 2. ♕h4‡  |
| 1... ♖e2  |   | 2. ♕f3‡  | 1... ♖f3   |     |   | 2. g3‡   |
| 1... ♖xh3 |   | 2. ♕f3‡  | 1... ♖fxd8 |     |   | 2. ♖f5‡  |
| 1... ♖f5  |   | 2. ♖xf5‡ | 1... ♖f5   |     |   | 2. ♖xf5‡ |
| 1... ♖d5  |   | 2. ♖e6‡  | 1... ♖f6   |     |   | 2. ♕xf6‡ |
| 1... ♕xf1 |   | 2. ♕d6‡  | 1... ♖dxd8 |     |   | 2. ♖e6‡  |
| 1... ♕d5  |   | 2. ♖d3‡  | 1... ♕e2   |     |   | 2. ♕d6‡  |
| 1... ♖e4! |   |          | 1... ♕e6   |     |   | 2. ♖d3‡  |

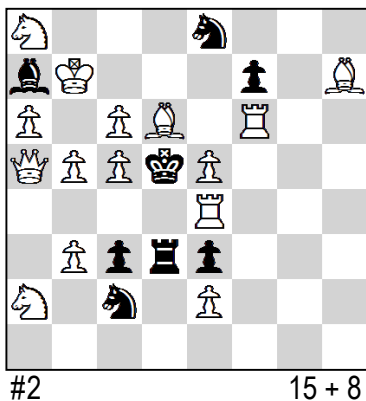
2.



Manuel Baptista  
1st Pr. Problemas 1952

- |                     |         |          |                     |   |          |
|---------------------|---------|----------|---------------------|---|----------|
| 1... ♖g4            | 2. ♕e6‡ |          |                     |   |          |
| 1... ♖f7            | 2. ♕b7‡ |          |                     |   |          |
| 1. ♖b5?             | >       | 2. ♕xe5‡ | 1. ♖dc6?            | > | 2. ♕xe5‡ |
| 1... ♖g4, ♕d4, ♖4h5 |         | 2. ♕a2‡  | 1... ♖g4, ♕d4, ♖4h5 |   | 2. ♖b4‡  |
| 1... ♖f7, ♖7h5      |         | 2. ♖c7‡  | 1... ♖f7, ♖7h5      |   | 2. ♖e7‡  |
| 1... ♖d4            |         | 2. ♖c3‡  | 1... ♖d4!           |   |          |
| 1... ♖e7!           |         |          |                     |   |          |
| 1. ♖f5!             | [5]     | >        | 2. ♕xe5‡            |   |          |
| 1... ♖g4, ♕d4       |         |          | 2. ♕a2‡             |   |          |
| 1... ♖f7, ♖e7       |         |          | 2. ♖(x)e7‡          |   |          |
| 1... ♖d4            |         |          | 2. ♖e3‡             |   |          |
| 1... ♖e4            |         |          | 2. dxe4‡            |   |          |

3.



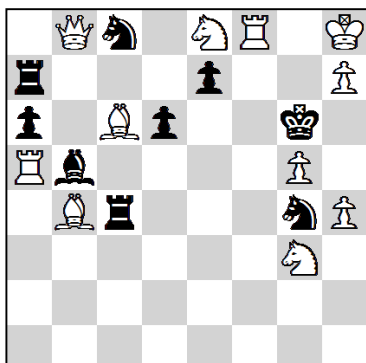
Johan Christoffel Van Gool  
Le Journal de Genève 1977

- |               |     |            |             |
|---------------|-----|------------|-------------|
| 1. ♖a4?       | >   | 2. ♕c4‡    | 1... ♖xd6+! |
| 1. ♕xc3?      | >   | 2. ♕c4‡    | 1... ♖d4!   |
| 1. ♕b4?       | >   | 2. ♕c4‡    | 1... ♖a3!   |
| 1. ♕d8?       | o   |            | 1... ♕xc5!  |
| 1. ♕c7?       | >   | 2. ♕xf7‡   | 1... ♖g7!   |
| 1. ♕b6?       | o   |            | 1... ♕b8!   |
| 1. ♕a3!       | [5] | o          |             |
| 1... ♖e~      |     | 2. ♖c7‡    |             |
| 1... ♖xd6+!   |     | 2. ♖xd6‡   |             |
| 1... ♖~       |     | 2. ♖xc3‡   |             |
| 1... ♖c~      |     | 2. ♖b4‡    |             |
| 1... ♕xc5     |     | 2. ♕xc5‡   |             |
| 1... ♕b6, ♕b8 |     | 2. ♖(x)b6‡ |             |

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4.



#3 11 + 9

Theodor de Jongh

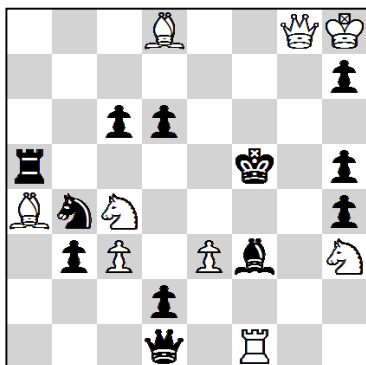
2nd Comm. Tijdschrift van den Nederlandschen Schaakbond 1934

1. ♖f5? > 2. h5♯ 1... ♘f6!

- |           |   |         |   |              |                      |
|-----------|---|---------|---|--------------|----------------------|
| 1. ♘c7!   | > | 2. ♕e8+ | @ | ♕xe8         | 3. h5♯               |
| 1... e5   |   | 2. ♖f5  | @ | >/ ♘f6       | 3. h5♯/ ♖xf6♯        |
| 1... ♘e5  |   | 2. ♕d5  | @ | >/ ♘f7+/e6   | 3. ♖g8♯/ ♕xf7♯/ ♖f6♯ |
| 1... ♘f6  |   | 2. ♖g8+ | @ | ♔f7/ ♘xg8    | 3. g6♯/ hxg8= ♔♯     |
| 1... ♖c5  |   | 2. ♕e4+ | @ | ♖f5          | 3. ♕xf5♯             |
| 1... d5   |   | 2. ♕xe7 | @ | >/ ♘xe7/ ♘f6 | 3. h5♯/ ♔e8♯/ ♖xf6♯  |
| 1... ♖xc6 |   | 2. ♘e6  | @ | >            | 3. ♘f4♯, h5♯         |

@	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pts.	0.5	1	2	3	4	4.5	5

5.



#3 9 + 12

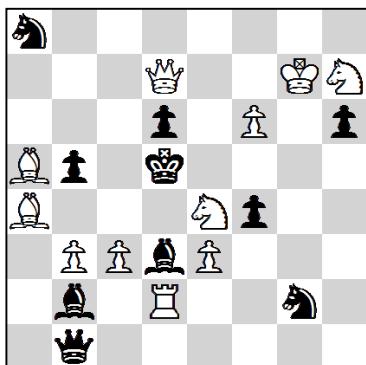
Ferenc Fleck

Magyar Sakkvilág 1937

- |           |   |          |   |          |                |
|-----------|---|----------|---|----------|----------------|
| 1. ♕xb3!  | > | 2. ♘xd6+ | @ | ♔e5      | 3. ♔e6♯        |
| 1... ♘d5  |   | 2. e4+   | @ | ♔xe4     | 3. ♔xh7♯       |
| 1... ♖d5  |   | 2. ♘f2   | @ | >        | 3. ♔f7♯        |
| 1... ♔xb3 |   | 2. ♔f7+  | @ | ♔e4/ ♔g4 | 3. ♘f2♯/ ♔xf3♯ |
| 1... ♔e4  |   | 2. ♘f2+  | @ | ♔f5      | 3. ♔f7♯        |
| 1... d5   |   | 2. ♘f4   | @ | >        | 3. ♔e6♯        |

@	1	2	3	4	5	6
Pts.	0.5	1.5	2.5	3.5	4.5	5

6.



#3 11 + 10

Lars Larsen, dedicated to H. Helledie for his 50th birthday

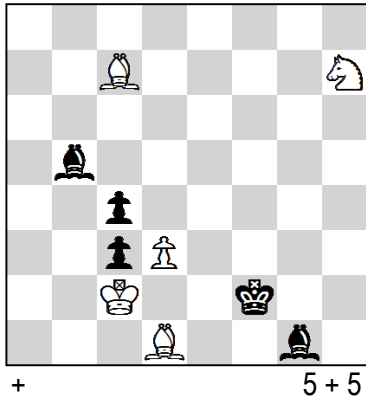
Thema Danicum 2001

- |          |   |          |     |                   |                                  |
|----------|---|----------|-----|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. ♘f2!  | > | 2. ♔xb5+ | [1] | ♕e6               | 3. ♘f8♯                          |
| 1... ♘c7 |   | 2. e4+   | [1] | ♕c5/ ♕e5          | 3. ♔xc7♯/ ♔f5♯                   |
| 1... ♕a3 |   | 2. c4+   | [1] | ♕c5/ ♕e5/bxc4     | 3. ♔xb5♯/ ♕c3♯/ ♔f5♯             |
| 1... ♕c5 |   | 2. ♕xb5  | [1] | >/ ♕d5/ ♕xb5/ ♕e4 | 3. ♔c6♯/ ♔f5♯/ ♔xd6♯/ b4♯        |
| 1... ♕e5 |   | 2. e4    | [1] | >/ ♕xc3/ ♕xe4     | 3. ♔f5♯, ♔e7♯, ♔e8♯/ ♕xc3♯/ ♘g4♯ |

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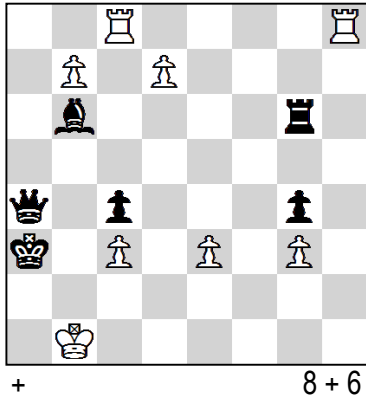
7.



Abram S. Gurvich, Ernest L. Pogogyants  
2nd Pr. Alma-Atinskaya pravda T.T. 1961-62

1. d4      ♖a4+    2. ♔c1    [1]    ♜xd1    3. ♔xd1      ♔e3  
 4. ♔c2!    [1]    ♔e4    5. ♞f6+!    [1]    ♔xd4!    6. ♜b8!    [1]    ♜e3 ( ♞f2)  
 7. ♜a7+      ♔e5    8. ♞g4+    [1]    ±

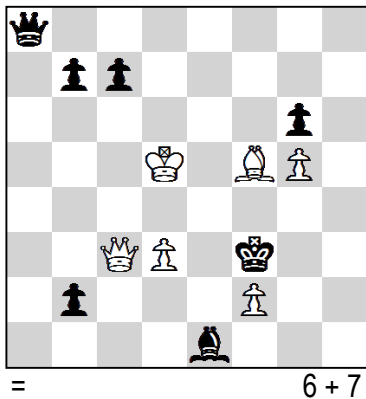
8.



Shakro Tsursumiia, Roman Tsursumiia  
H.M. Tsereteli-150 M.T. 1991-92

1. ♜a8      ♜a5      2. ♜xa5    [1]    ♞xa5    3. ♜a8      ♜a6  
 4. ♜xa6    [1]    ♞xa6    5. b8= ♜    [1]    ♞a4    6. d8= ♜    [1]    ♞c6  
 7. ♜a8+      ♔b3      8. ♜db8+    ♞xc3    9. ♜a3+      ♜d2  
 10. ♜b2+      ♔d1 ( ♔e1)    11. ♜a1    [1]    c3      12. ♔a2‡

9.



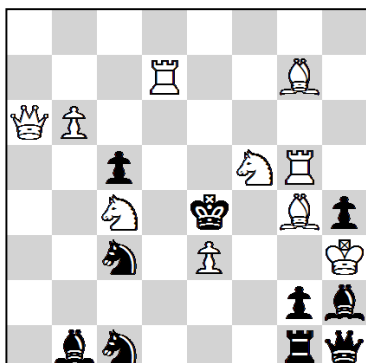
Evgeny N. Somov-Nasimovich  
2nd H.M. Shakhmaty v SSSR 1934

1. ♜e4+      ♔g4!    2. f3+    [1]    ♔h3    3. ♞xb2    [1]    b5+  
 4. ♔c5!    [1]    ♜f2+    5. d4    [0.5]    ♜xd4+    6. ♞xd4      ♞a7+  
 7. ♔d5    [0.5]    c6+    8. ♔e5      ♞g7+    9. ♔f4    [1]    ♞xd4=

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## 10.



S#2

10 + 10

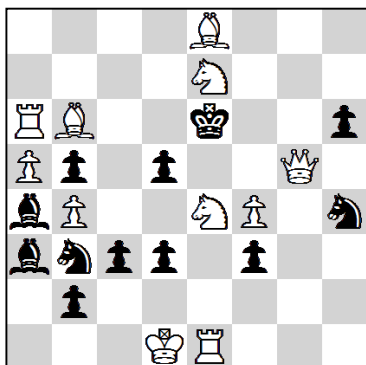
Rainer Paslack

4th Comm. harmonie 11th T.T. 2001

1. ♖ d2? > 2. ♘ cd6+, ♘ fd6+ ♙ xd6‡ 1... ♘ b5!  
 1. ♖ g6? > 2. ♖ e6+ ♙ e5‡ 1... ♘ d3!  
 1. ♙ c8? > 2. ♙ e8+ ♙ e5‡ 1... ♘ d5!  
 1. b7! > 2. ♙ e6+ @ ♙ e5‡  
 1... ♘ d3 2. ♘ fd6+ @ ♙ xd6‡  
 1... ♘ d5 2. ♘ cd6+ @ ♙ xd6‡

@	1	2	3
Pts.	1.5	3.5	5

## 11.



S#3

11 + 12

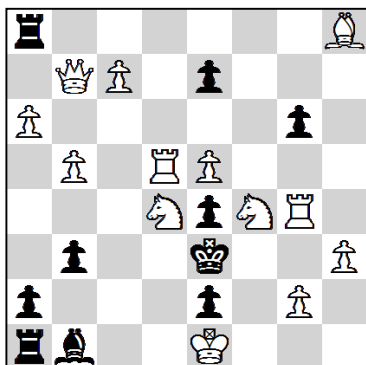
György Bakcsi

2nd H.M. The Problemist 1989

1. ♘ c6? > 2. ♘ d4+ ♘ xd4‡  
 1... ♘ f5 2. ♙ e7+ ♘ xe7 3. ♘ d4+ ♘ xd4‡  
 1... dxe4 2. ♘ d8+ ♙ d6 3. ♙ c5+ ♘ xc5‡  
 1... hxg5!  
 1. ♘ f5! > 2. ♘ d4+ ♘ xd4‡  
 1... ♘ xf5 2. ♙ e3+ ♘ d6 3. ♘ c5+ @ ♘ xc5‡  
 1... dxe4 2. ♘ g7+ ♙ d6 3. ♙ c5+ @ ♘ xc5‡  
 1... hxg5 2. ♘ ed6+ ♙ f6 3. ♙ d4+ @ ♘ xd4‡

@	1	2	3
Pts.	1.5	3.5	5

## 12.



S#4

13 + 10

Johannes Quack

Schach-Aktiv 1999

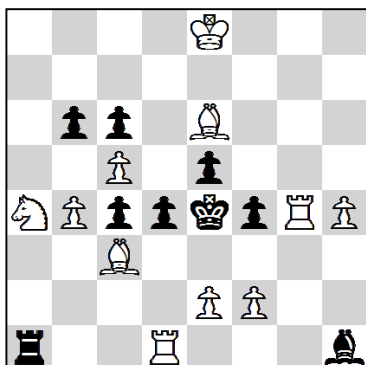
1. ♙ c6? > 2. ♙ c3+ ♙ d3+ 3. ♙ c1+ ♙ xc1‡ 1... b2!  
 1. ♙ d7! > 2. ♙ g3+ ♙ xf4 3. ♙ g4+ ♙ e3 4. ♙ xe4+ @@@@ ♙ xe4‡  
 1... ♙ xh8 2. ♙ c6 > 3. ♙ c3+ ♙ d3+ 4. ♙ c1+ @@ ♙ xc1‡  
 2... b2 3. ♙ d6 > 4. ♙ a3+ @ ♙ d3‡  
 3... exd6 4. ♘ c2+ @ ♙ xc2‡

@	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Pts.	0.5	1	1.5	2.5	3.5	4	4.5	5

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## 13.



#4 11 + 9

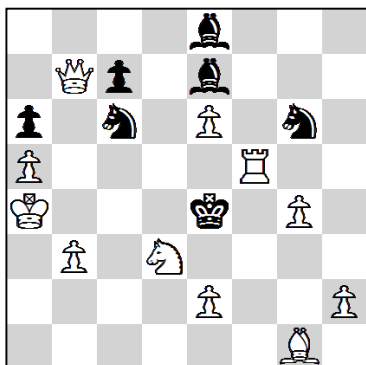
**Evgeny M. Bogdanov**  
Echo 2004

1... ♖xd1 2.cxb6 > 3. ♗c5♯  
2... dxc3 3. ♗c5+ ♔d4 4.e3♯

1. ♕g8! > 2. ♕h7+ ♔d5 3.e4+ @@ ♕xe4, fxe3 e.p./ ♖e6 4. ♕g8♯/ ♖g6♯  
1... ♖xd1 2. ♗xb6 > 3. ♕h7♯ @ ♖d4 4.e3♯  
2... dxc3 3. ♕h7+ @ ♖e4/ ♖f6 4. ♕h7♯/ ♗d7♯  
2... ♖f5 3. ♖g5+ @ ♖f6 4. ♗d7♯  
1... bxc5 2. ♗xc5+ ♖f5 3. ♖g5+ @@ ♖f6 4. ♗d7♯  
1... ♖f5 2. ♖g5+ ♖e4 3. ♖xd4+ @ exd4 4. ♕h7♯  
2... ♖f6 3. ♖xd4 @ >/exd4 4. ♖xf4♯, ♖d6♯/ ♕xd4♯

@	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Pts.	0.5	1	1.5	2.5	3.5	4	4.5	5

## 14.



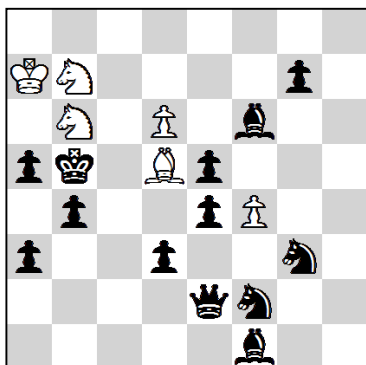
#5 11 + 7

**Peter Hoffmann**  
1st H.M. Schach 2002

1. ♕a7! > 2. ♗f2♯  
1... ♕h4 2.b4 ♕e1 3. ♕g1 > 4. ♗c5♯  
3... ♕xb4 4. ♗c5+ @ ♕xc5 5. ♖b1♯  
3... ♕f2 4. ♕xf2 @ >/ ♗ge5 5. ♗c5♯/ ♖xe5♯

@	1	2
Pts.	4	5

## 15.



#10 6 + 13

**Andrei Ya. Lobusov**  
2nd Pr. Byulleten Tsentralnogo shakhmatnogo kluba SSSR 1972

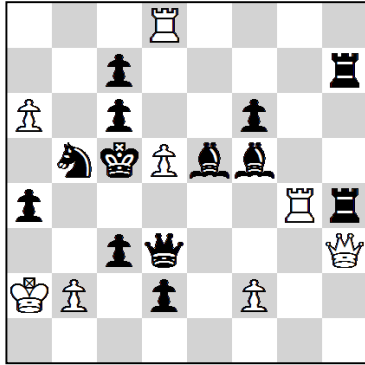
1. ♕c4+!  
1... ♖c6 2. ♕f7 > 3. ♕e8♯  
2... ♖h5 3. ♕d5+ ♖b5 4. ♕b3 > 5. ♕a4♯  
4... ♖d1 5. ♕c4+ ♖c6 6. ♕e6 > 7. ♕d7♯  
6... ♖g4 7.f5 ♖xf5 8. ♕d5+ ♖b5 9. ♕b3 @ > 10. ♕a4♯  
6... ♕h3 7. ♕d5+ ♖b5 8. ♕c4+ ♖c6 9. ♖a6 @ > 10. ♕b5♯, ♕d5♯

@	1	2
Pts.	3.5	5

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## 16.



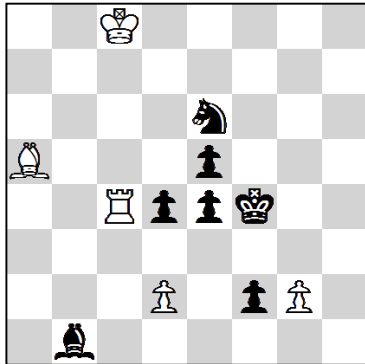
H#2 4 Solutions 8 + 13

Friedrich Chlubna  
4th H.M. Schach 1974

1. ♖d7 ♖c4+ 2. ♔d6 ♚e6‡ @  
 1. ♖d6 ♖e4 2. ♔xd5 ♚xf5‡ @  
 1. ♚d4 ♖b8 2. ♔b4 ♚xc3‡ @  
 1. ♚e4 b3 2. ♔d4 ♚e3‡ @

@	1	2	3	4
Pts.	1	2.5	4	5

## 17.



H#3 5 + 7

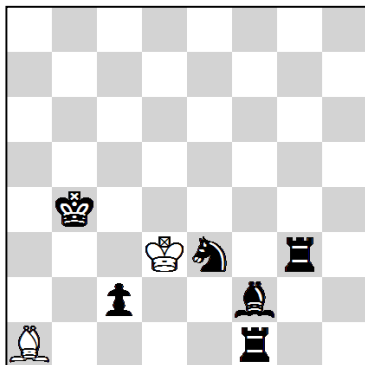
Ivan Denkovski  
Original

- a) 1.e3 ♖d8 2. ♖g6 ♖xd4+ 3. ♔f5 g4‡ @  
 b) 1. ♞e2 d3 2. ♖xd3 ♖c2 3. ♔e3 ♖d2‡ @

@	1	2
Pts.	2.5	5

- a) Diagram  
 b) ♞e6⇒g3

## 18.



H#5.5 2 Solutions 2 + 6

Eckart Kummer, Rolf Wiehagen  
4th H.M. Shakhmatnaya poeziya 2005

- 1... ♖d4 2. ♚a3 ♖xe3 3. c1=♗+ ♚c2 4. ♚a2 ♖c5 5. ♚a1 ♖a3 6. ♗a2 ♖b2‡ @  
 1... ♖h8 2. ♗g7 ♚e4 3. ♚c3 ♖xg7+ 4. ♚d2 ♖h6 5. ♚e1 ♚d3 6. ♗d1 ♖d2‡ @

@	1	2
Pts.	2.5	5