

beatochess no. 13 (October 2025)

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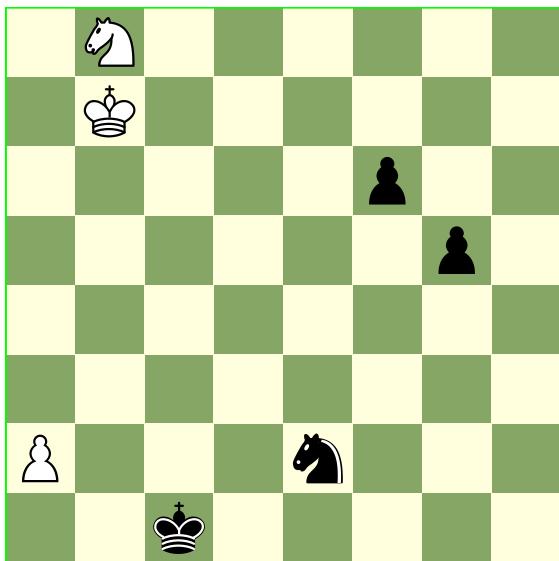
I would like to thank Volker Hergert (VH) for contributing significantly to this issue.

I am close to finalizing my “Isenegger project”, which I started in the 1980s. In this issue you find a few “new” studies”, new in the sense that they are not in Harold’s **HHdbVI** database. I found these studies in my personal communications material which I obtained long ago from Paul Mueller-Breil (editor of *Schweizerische Schachzeitung*) and Joseph Maag (editor of the daily Bernese newspaper *Der Bund*).

New publications

Seven Chess Notes (June 2025)

Hergert V Neuenschwander B
Seven Chess Notes no. 233
(June 2025)
2025



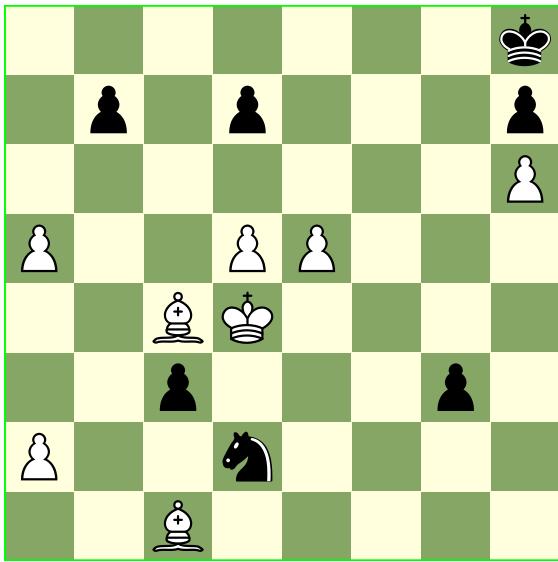
draw

GBR: =0004.12b7c1 FEN: 1N6/1K6/5p2/6p1/8/8/P3n3/2k5 w - - 0 1

1. a4 (1. Nd7? or 1.Nc6? 1... g4 -+ the g-pawn can't be stopped and it would be too late to let the a-pawn run.) 1... Nd4 (1... g4 2. a5 g3 3. a6 g2 4. a7 g1=Q 5. a8=Q!1 would be a trivial draw. Black can instead use a knight fork to try and achieve more.) **2. a5** (2. Nc6? Nxc6 3. Kxc6 g4 4. a5 g3 5. a6 g2 6. a7 g1=Q 7. a8=Q Qg2+ 8. Kd6 Qxa8 -+) **2... Nb3** **3. a6 Nc5+** **4. Kc6** Otherwise, 4... Nxa6 simply wins. **4... Nxa6** **5. Nd7!** Now it's White's turn to play around with knight forks. (5. Nxa6? g4 6. Nc5 g3 7. Nd3+ Kd2 8. Nf4 Ke3 -+) **5... Nb8+!** The knight insists on sacrificing himself to make his g-pawn hopefully promote. (5... g4 6. Nxf6 g3 7. Nh5 g2 8. Nf4!) (5... Nb4+ 6. Kd6! (6. Kb5? Nd5 -+) 6... g4 7. Nxf6 g3 8. Nh5 =) **6. Nxb8 g4** At first glance, it might seem that this pawn is unstoppable now - but it will be stopped indeed! **7. Kd5 g3** **8. Nc6 g2** **9. Nd4** Threatens the same knight fork as in the 5...g5-line. **9... Kd2** **10. Ke4 f5+** **11. Kf4!** (11. Kxf5? Ke3 -+) **11... Ke1** **12. Nf3+** (12. Kxf5? Kf2 -+) **12... Kf2** After twelve moves from both sides, the remaining stones suddenly and unexpectedly form the letter L. **13. Ng5!** The final knight fork enables the draw. **1/2-1/2.**

EG no. 242 (October 2025)

Neuenschwander B Hergert V
EG no.242 (October 2025)
2025



win

GBR: +0023.55d4h8 FEN: 7k/1p1p3p/7P/P2PP3/2BK4/2p3p1/P2n4/2B5 w - - 0 1

1. Bf1! Nxf1 2. e6 g2 3. Be3! dxe6 4. d6! Nxe3 5. d7 Nf5+ (5... g1=Q 6. d8=Q+ Qg8 7. Qf6+) 6. Kxc3 g1=Q 7. d8=Q+ Qg8 8. Qf6+ Ng7 9. Kd2! (9. Kd4? e5+ 10. Kxe5 Qe8+ 11. Kf4 Qa4+) 9... e5 10. Ke1! e4 11. a3! e3 12. a4 e2 13. a6 bxa6 14. a5 1-0.

beatochess-12 (updates)

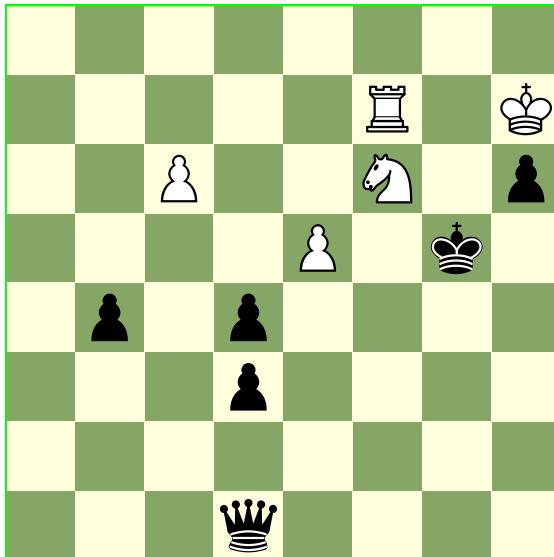
Caputo +3101.24h7g5 (1987). Changed solution (VH)

Volker pointed out that the study can be saved by changing the solution.

Date: October 08, 2025

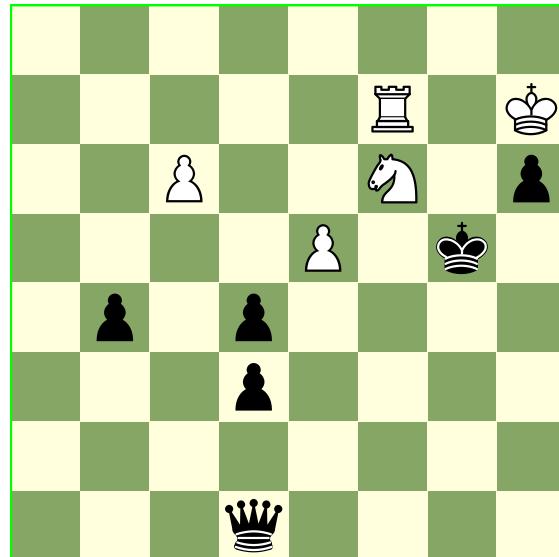
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Caputto Z
Galitzky MT Kommunist
sp.p 1987



win

Caputto Z VH (s)
Galitzky MT Kommunist
sp.p 1987



win

GBR: +3101.24h7g5 U2 FEN: 8/5R1K/2P2N1p/4P1k1/1p1p4/3p4/8/3q4 w - - 0 1

also Probleemblad#066 Probleemblad/3 1988 (EG#07136). U2: Neuenschwander=B beatochess 0/06/2025. 1. Ne4+ Kh5 2. Rf5+ (2. e6! cook BN 2... Qc2 3. e7 Qxc6 4. e8=Q) 2... Kh4 3. Rf4+ Kh5 4. Rg4 Qxg4 5. Nf6+ Kh4 6. Nxg4 b3 7. Nh2 b2 8. Nf3+ Kg3 9. Nd2 Kf2 10. c7 Ke1 11. c8=Q Kxd2 12. e6 b1=Q 13. e7 1-0.

GBR: +3101.24h7g5 (s) FEN: 8/5R1K/2P2N1p/4P1k1/1p1p4/3p4/8/3q4 w - - 0 1

changed solution: Hergert=V 08/10/2025. 1. Ne4+! Kh4 (1... Kh5 2. Rf5+ (2. e6! or) 2... Kh4 3. Rf4+ etc.) 2. Rf4+ Kh5 3. Rg4! (3. Rf5+ Kh4 4. Rf4+ Kh5 5. Rg4 waste of time) 3... Qxg4 4. Nf6+ Kh4 5. Nxg4 b3 6. Nh2! b2 7. Nf3+ Kg3 8. Nd2 1-0.

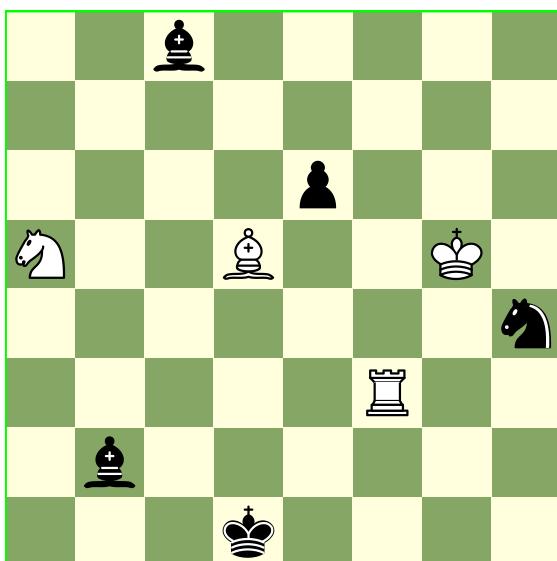
Bazlov +0174.01g5d1 (1979). Cook confirmed (VH)

Volker confirmed (with the help of tablebase) the cook found by Harold. That is, my claim that 2... Nf3+ draws is incorrect.

Date: October 07, 2025

File: Bazlov1979b.pgn

Bazlov Y
Shakhmaty v SSSR #23
1979



win

GBR: +0174.01g5d1 (c) U1 FEN: 2b5/8/4p3/N2B2K1/7n/5R2/1b6/3k4 w - - 0 1

Shakhmaty v SSSR/6 21/23.p USSR overall champ XV 1979-1980 64 Shakhmatnoye Obozrenye=20(691) 64 Shakhmatnoye Obozrenye/10 1983. U1: Van, der, Heijden=H HHdbVI 13-11-2018. Comments: Neuenschwander=B beatochess 26/08/2025, Hergert=V 07/10/2025. 1. Rf1+ (1. Bb3+! cook HH 1... Ke2 2. Rf8 Bd7 (2... Nf3+! = draw? BN 3. Kg4 no! VH 3... Ne5+ 4. Kg3 Bc3 5. Rxc8 Bxa5 6. Bxe6 +- TB win with DTZ 147) 3. Kxh4) 1... Kd2 2. Rf2+ Kc3 3. Be4 Nf5 4. Rc2+ Kb4 5. Bxf5 exf5 6. Nb7 Bc3 7. Nc5! Kc4 8. Rc1 Kd4 9. Kh4 f4 10. Na4 1-0.

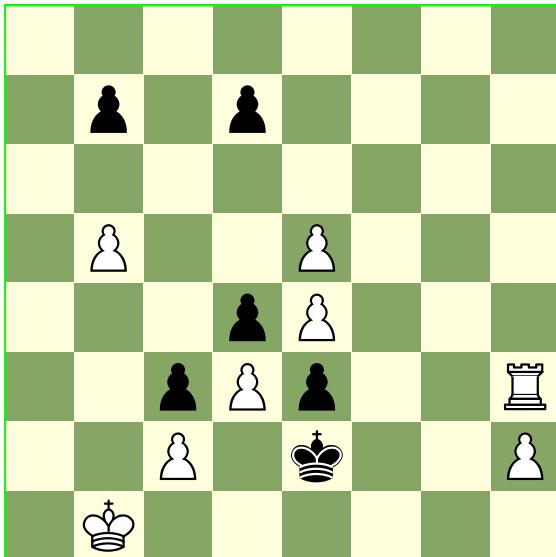
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Studies not in HHdbVI

Isenegger =0100.65b1e2 (1941). Cook, correction

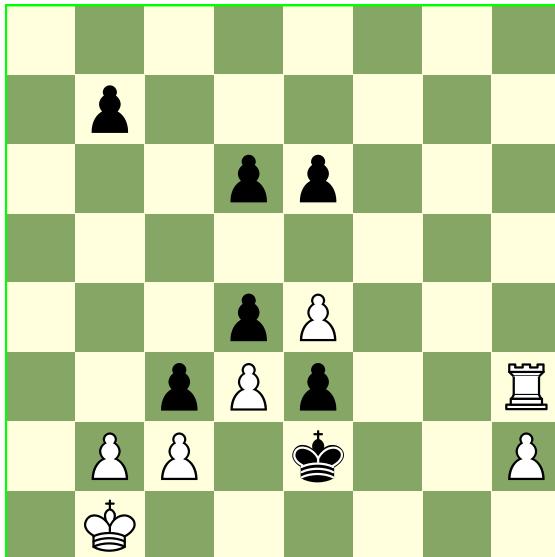
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Isenegger S
Berner Tagwacht
1941/09/06



draw

Isenegger S BN (c)
Berner Tagwacht
1941/09/06



draw

GBR: =0100.65b1e2 U4 U3 -HHdbVI FEN: 8/1p1p4/8/1P2P3/3pP3/2pPp2R/2P1k2P/1K6 w - - 0 1

U4 U3: Neuenschwander=B beatochess 01/10/2025. 1. Rh8! (1. e6! cook BN 1... dxe6 2. e5 Kf1 3. Rh4 +-)
1... Kf2 2. Rf8+ Kg2 3. Rg8+ Kh1! 4. Ra8 e2 5. Ra1 e1=Q+ 6. Ka2 Qxa1+ 7. Kxa1 Kxh2 8. Ka2 Kg3 9. Kb3 Kf4 10. Kc4 Ke3 11. Kd5 Kd2 12. Kd6 Kxc2 13. Kxd7 Kxd3 14. e6 c2 15. e7 c1=Q 16. e8=Q After 16... Kc2 Black is clearly much better 1/2-1/2.

GBR: =0100.56b1e2 (c) FEN: 8/1p6/3pp3/8/3pP3/2pPp2R/1PP1k2P/1K6 w - - 0 1

correction: Neuenschwander=B beatochess 01/10/2025. 1. Rh8! Kf2 2. Rf8+ Kg2 3. Rg8+ Kh1 4. Ra8!
e2 5. Ra1! e1=Q+ 6. Ka2 Qxa1+ 7. Kxa1 cxb2+ (7... Kxh2 8. bxc3 dxc3 9. Ka2) 8. Kxb2 Kxh2 9.
Kb3 Kg3 10. Kc4 Kf4 11. Kxd4 1/2-1/2.

Isenegger =0047.01b1h5 (1943)

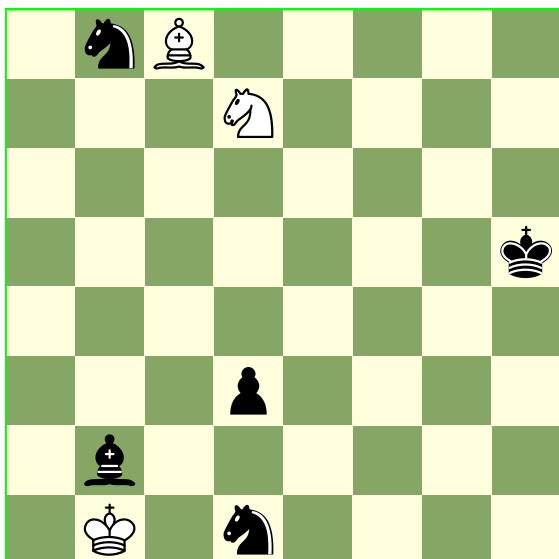
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Isenegger S

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1943/12/24



draw

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1. Nc5 Nc3+ 2. Kxb2 d2 3. Ne4! d1=Q (3... Nxe4 4. Kc2) 4. Bg4+ Qxg4 (4... Kxg4 5. Nf2+) 5. Nf6+ 1/2-1/2.

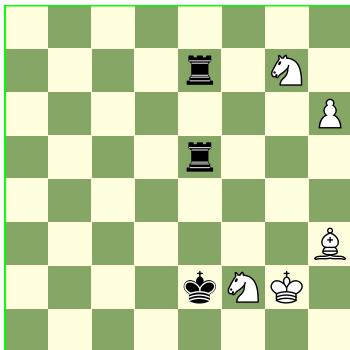
Isenegger +0612.10g2e2 (1944). Cook, corrections (BN, VH)

The source of the study is unknown.

Volker and I found two corrections independently.

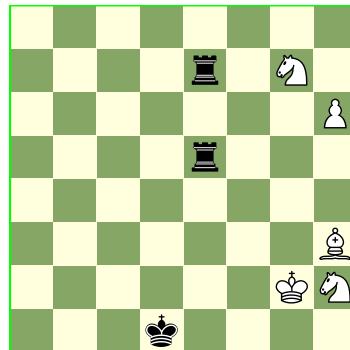
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1944/12/23



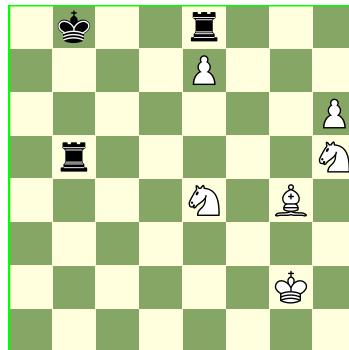
win

Isenegger S BN (c)
?
1944/12/23



win

Isenegger S VH (c)
?
1944/12/23



win

GBR: +0612.10g2e2 U2 -HHdbVI FEN: 8/4r1N1/7P/4r3/8/7B/4kNK1/8 w - - 0 1

U2: Neuenschwander=B beatochess 03/10/2025. 1. Bg4+ Kd2 2. h7 Rh5! 3. Bxh5 (3. Ne4+ ! cook BN)
3... Rxg7+ 4. Bg6! Rxg6+ 5. Ng4! Rxg4+ 6. Kh3 Rg1 7. Kh2 1-0.

GBR: +0612.10g2d1 (c) FEN: 8/4r1N1/7P/4r3/8/7B/6KN/3k4 w - - 0 1

correction: Neuenschwander=B beatochess 03/10/2025. 1. Bg4+ Kc1 2. h7 Rh5! 3. Bxh5 Rxg7+ 4.
Bg6! Rxg6+ 5. Ng4! Rxg4+ 6. Kh3 Rg1 7. Kh2 1-0.

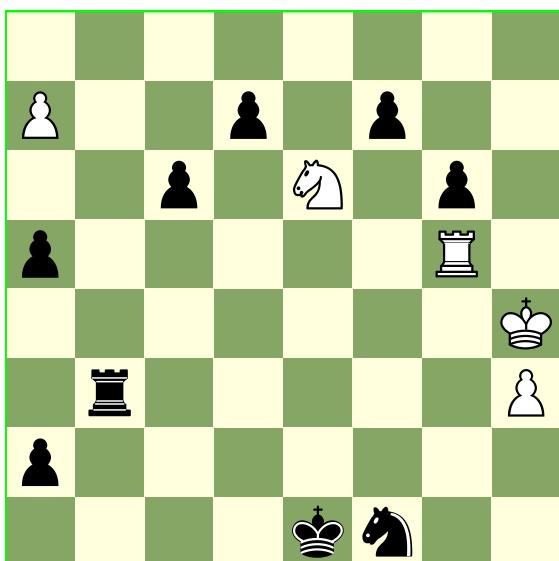
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correction: Hergert=V beatochess 30/10/2025. 1. Ng7! Rxe7 2. h7 Rh5! 3. Bxh5 (3. Nxh5? Rxh7!1) 3...
Rxg7+ 4. Ng5! (4. Ng3? Rxh7!1) 4... Rxg5+ 5. Bg4! Rxg4+ 6. Kh3 1-0.

Isenegger +0404.26h4e1 (1944). Cook

File: Isenegger1944c.pgn

Isenegger S
Basler Nachrichten
1944/07/01



win

GBR: +0404.26h4e1 U3 -HHdbVI FEN: 8/P2p1p2/2p1N1p1/p5R1/7K/1r5P/p7/4kn2 w - - 0 1

U3: Neuenschwander=B beatochess 17/10/2025. 1. **Re5+** **Kd1** (1... **Kf2!** **cook BN**) 2. **Rxa5** **Rb4+** 3. **Nf4!** **Rxf4+** 4. **Kg5** 1-0.

Isenegger =0000.22g2a4 (1948)

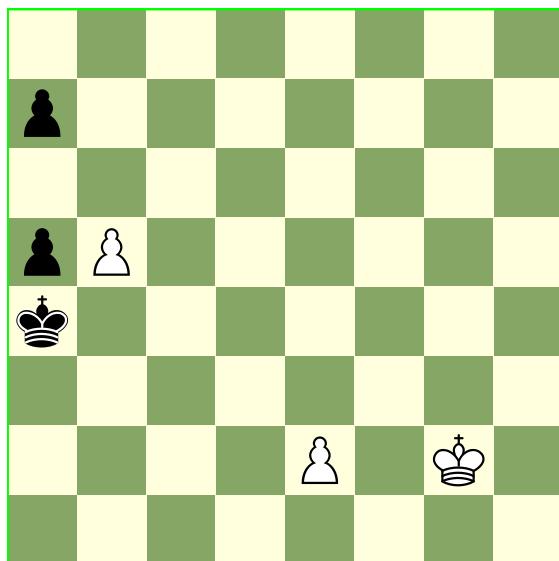
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Isenegger S

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1948/12/18



draw

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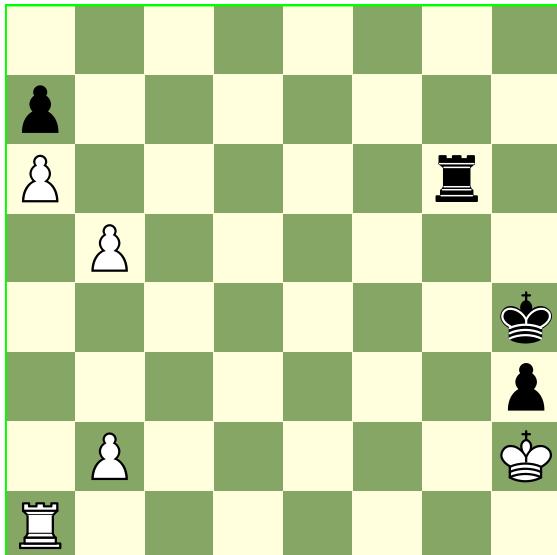
1. Kf2! (1. Kf3? Kb4! -+) (1. Kf1? Kb3! -+) 1... Kb4 (1... Kb3 2. e4 =) (1... Kxb5 2. Ke1 =) 2. Ke1! Kc3 3. Kd1 Kb2 4. e4 a4 5. e5 a3 6. e6 a2 7. e7 a1=Q+ 8. Ke2 1/2-1/2.

Isenegger +0400.32h2h4 (1948). Cook, version.

Volker's version corrects the study, which is now a miniature and has a second mainline—quite remarkable!

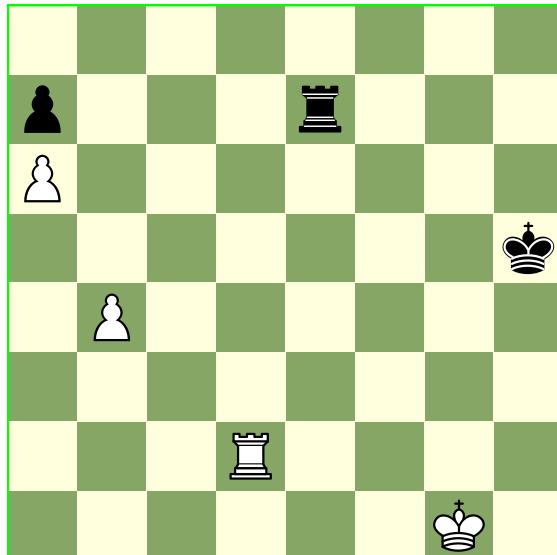
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Isenegger S
Basler Nachrichtern
1948/02/14



win

Isenegger S VH (v)
Basler Nachrichtern
1948/02/14



win

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U3: Neuenschwander=B beatochess 17/10/2025. 1. Ra4+ Kh5 2. Rd4 Rg2+ 3. Kxh3 Rxb2 4. Rd5+ Kg6 5. Rd6+ Kf5 (5... Kf7 = cook BN) (5... Kg7 =) 6. b6 axb6 7. Rd5+ Ke4 8. Ra5! bxa5 9. a7 1-0.

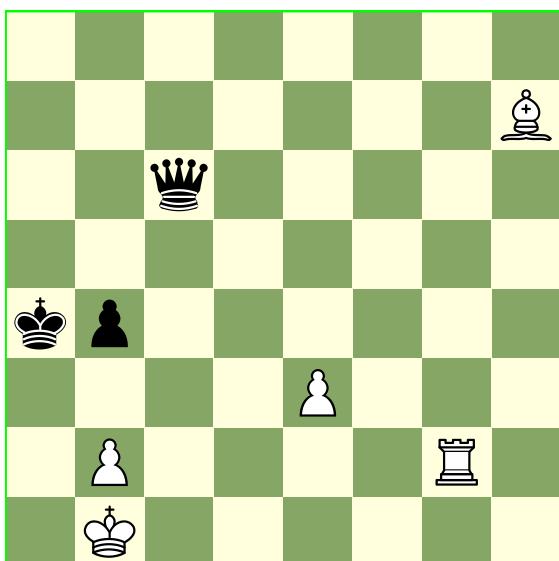
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version: Hergert=V beatochess 30/10/2025. 1. b5! (1. Kf2? Re4 2. b5 Rb4 3. Rd5+ Kg6 4. Ke3 Kf6!1) 1... Re1+ (1... Re5 2. b6! axb6 3. Ra2 +-) 2. Kf2 Rb1 3. Rd5+! (3. b6? Rxb6!1) 3... Kg6 4. Rd6+! (4. Ke3? Kf6!1) 4... Kf5 (4... Kf7 main 5. Rd7+ Ke6 (5... Kf6 6. Rb7!) 6. Rxa7 Rxb5 (6... Kd6 7. Rb7 +-) 7. Ra8 Rf5+ (7... Ra5 8. a7 Kf7 9. Rh8! Rxa7 10. Rh7+ Kg6 11. Rxa7 +-) 8. Ke3! (8. Ke2? Rf7!1) (8. Ke1? Rf7!1) 8... Rf7 9. Kd4! (9. Kd3? Kd5 10. a7 Rd7 11. Kc3 Rc7+ 12. Kb4 Kc6!1) 9... Kd6 10. a7 Rd7 11. Kc4! Rc7+ 12. Kb5 +-) 5. b6! axb6 6. Rd5+ Ke4 (6... Ke6 7. Ra5! bxa5 8. a7 +-) 7. Ra5! bxa5 8. a7 1-0.

Isenegger +3110.21b1a4 (1951)

File: Isenegger1951a.pgn

Isenegger S
Der Bund
1951/06/07



win

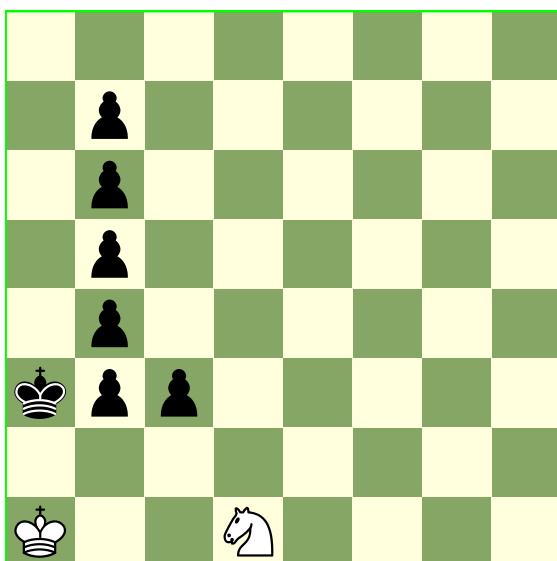
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1. b3+ Kxb3 (1... Ka5 2. Rg5+ Kb6 3. Rg6) 2. Rb2+ Ka4 3. Ra2+ Kb5 (3... Kb3 4. Bg8+) 4. Bd3+ Kb6 (4... Kc5 5. Rc2+ (5. Ra5+)) 5. Ra6+ 1-0.

Isenegger =0001.06a1a3 (1951)

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Isenegger S
Der Bund
1951/05/24



draw

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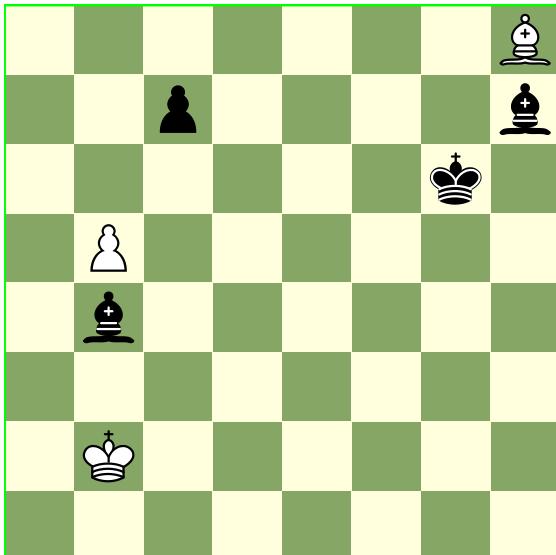
1. Nb2! (1. Ne3? b2+ (1... c2? 2. Nxc2+ bxc2 =) 2. Kb1 Kb3 3. Nc2 Kc4 -+) 1... c2 (1... cxb2+ 2. Kb1 Ka4 3. Kxb2 etc.) 2. Nc4+ Ka4 3. Nb2+ Ka5 4. Nd3 1/2-1/2.

Isenegger =0070.11b2g6 (1951). Cooks, changed solution

Other white bishop moves draw as well in the mainline at move 2. The study can be saved by changing the mainline to 1... Ba5.

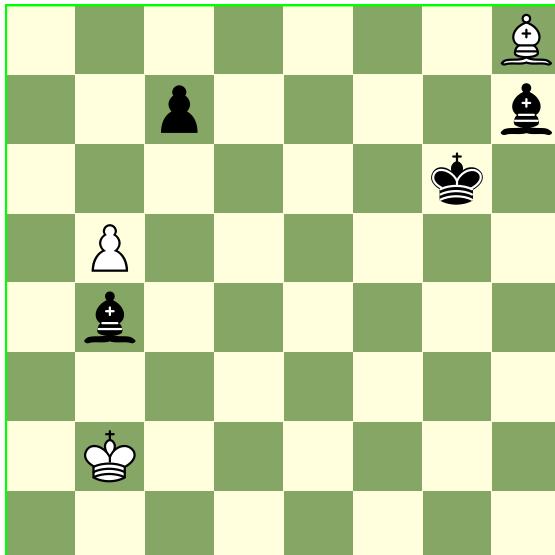
File: Isenegger1951c.pgn

Isenegger S
Der Bund
1951/06/21



draw

Isenegger S BN (s)
Der Bund
1951/06/21



draw

GBR: =0070.11b2g6 U2 -HHdbVI FEN: 7B/2p4b/6k1/1P6/1b6/8/1K6/8 w - - 0 1

U2: Neuenschwander=B 17/10/2025. **1. Bd4 Bd6** (1... Ba5 2. b6! cxb6 (2... Bxb6 3. Bxb6 cxb6 4. Kc3 (4. Kb3 or)) 3. Bc3! =) **2. Ba7** (2. b6? c5 3. Be3 c4 4. b7 Bb8 5. Kc3 Bg8) (2. Bg1! (or Bf2/Be3) **cooks BN** 2... Bg8 3. b6 c6 4. b7 Bb8 5. Kc3 =) **1/2-1/2.**

GBR: =0070.11b2g6 (s) -HHdbVI FEN: 7B/2p4b/6k1/1P6/1b6/8/1K6/8 w - - 0 1

changed solution: Neuenschwander=B 17/10/2025. **1. Bd4 Ba5** (1... Bd6 2. Ba7 (2. b6? c5 3. Be3 c4 4. b7 Bb8 5. Kc3 Bg8) 2... Bg8 3. b6 =) **2. b6! cxb6** (2... Bxb6 3. Bxb6 cxb6 4. Kc3 (4. Kb3 or)) **3. Bc3!** **1/2-1/2.**

Comments and revisions

Prize winners

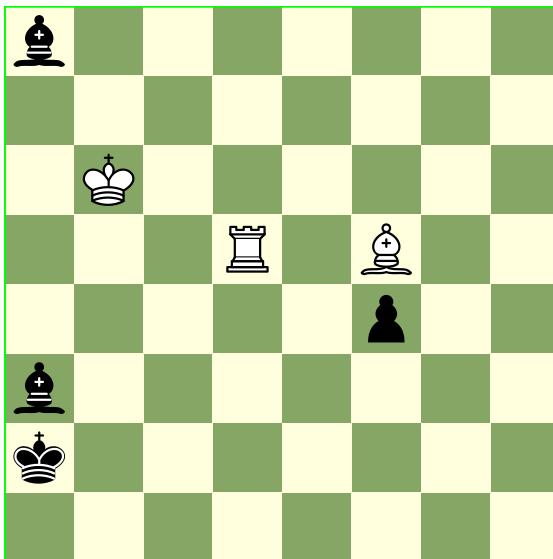
Kralin +0170.01b6a2 (2000). Cook (VH), correction (BN/VH)

Volker found a cook on move 2 in Kralin's study. A rotation seems to save the study.

Date: October 27, 2025

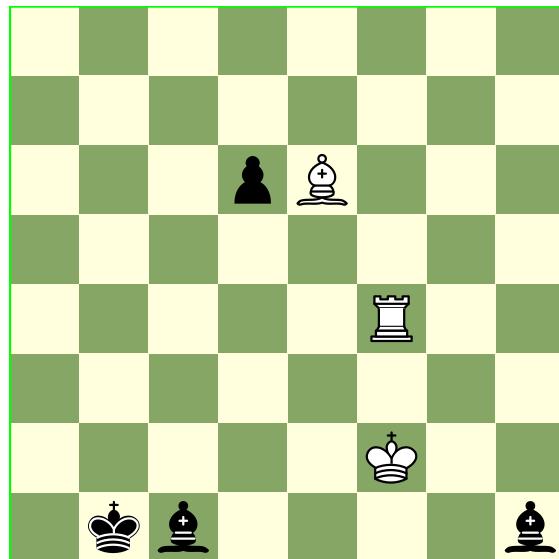
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Kralin N
Pushkin–200 MT Shakhmatnaya
Kompozitsia
1.p 2000/11/08



win

Kralin N BN/VH (c)
Pushkin–200 MT Shakhmatnaya
Kompozitsia
1.p 2000/11/08



win

GBR: +0170.01b6a2 (c) U2 FEN: b7/8/1K6/3R1B2/5p2/b7/k7/8 w - - 0 1

Shakhmatnaya Kompozitsia=37 . correction: Kralin=N Shakhmatnaya Nedelya=32(63) 7/2003. U2: Hergert=V 27/10/2025. 1. **Rd8!** **Bh1!** (1... Bf3 2. Rd3 Bh5 (2... Ba8 3. Be6+ Kb2 4. Rb3+ Ka2 5. Rb4+ Ka1 6. Ra4 3. Be6+ Kb2 4. Rb3+ Ka2 5. Rb5+) 2. **Rd1!** (2. Kb5? Kb2 3. Rd1 Bb7 4. Rd2+ Kc1 5. Rc2+ Kd1 6. Kb6 Bh1!) (2. Kb5! **cook** VH TB DTZ 60 2... Kb2 (2... Bf3 3. Rd2+ Bb2 4. Kb4 Bh5 5. Be6+ Kb1 6. Rh2) 3. Rd2+! Kb3 4. Rd3+ Kb2 5. Kc4) 2... **Ba8!** 3. **Be6+ Kb2** 4. **Rd2+ Kc3!** (4... Kb1 5. Ra2 f3 6. Rxa3 f2 7. Bh3) 5. **Ra2 Kb4** 6. **Rc2!** **Ka4!** (6... Bh1 7. Rc4+ Kb3 8. Rxf4+ Kc3 9. Rh4!) (6... f3 7. Rc4+ Kb3 8. Rc8+ Kb2 9. Rxa8 f2 10. Bc4) 7. **Rc4+ Bb4** 8. **Rxf4 Bg2!** (8... Ka3 9. Kb5) 9. **Bf7!** (9. Rg4? Bf1!) 9... **Ba8** 10. **Rg4!** **Bh1!** (10... Bf3 11. Be8+ Kb3 12. Rg3) 11. **Be6!** (11. Rg1? Be4!) 11... **Ba8** 12. **Rg7!** **Ba5+** 13. **Kc5!** **Bb4+** (13... Bh1 14. Ra7) 14. **Kc4!** 1-0.

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correction: Neuenschwander=B Hergert=V 27/10/2025. 1. **Rh4!** **Ba8!** (1... Bc6 2. Bf5+ Kb2 3. Rc4) 2. **Ra4!** (2. Ke2 Bc6 3. Rb4+ Bb2 4. Kd2 Be8 = (TB)) 2... **Bh1!** 3. **Bf5+ Kb2** 4. **Rb4+ Kc3!** 5. **Rb1 Kd2** 6. **Rb3!** **Kd1!** 7. **Rd3+ Bd2** 8. **Rxd6 Bb7** 9. **Bg6!** (9. Rd7? Ba6) 9... **Bh1** 10. **Rd7 Ba8** (10... Bc6 11. Bh5+) 11. **Bf5** (11. Ra7? Bd5) 11... **Bh1** 12. **Rg7 Be1+** 13. **Ke3 Bd2+** 14. **Kd3** 1-0.

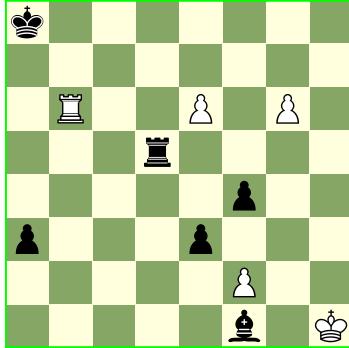
Fritz +0430.33h1a8 (1951). Cooks(VH)

Volker found cooks on move 1 and 4 in Farago's second correction.

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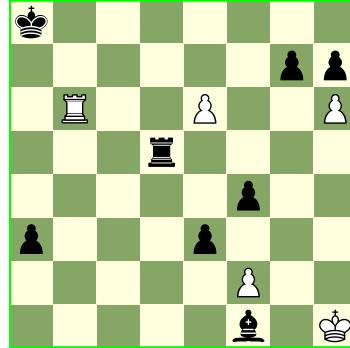
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Fritz J
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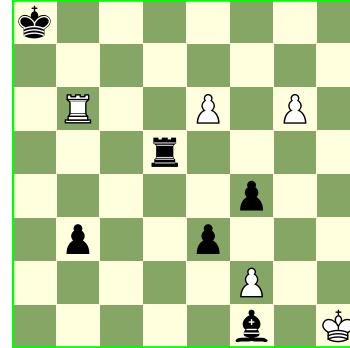
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Fritz J
CSSR Magyar Polska Romina
match Magyar Sakkelet #0153
1.p 1951



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GBR: +0430.33h1a8 U3 FEN: k7/8/1R2P1P1/3r4/5p2/p3p3/5P2/5b1K w - - 0 1

Magyar Sakkelet/5 5.p Bohemian Ring ty 1951-1952. U3: Tikkannen=K New in Chess Magazine=1 2008 U3: Van, der, Heijden=H HHdbVI 17-4-2017. 1. e7! (1. g7? Rh5+ 2. Kg1 Rg5+ 3. Kxf1 Rxg7) 1... Re5! (1... Rh5+ 2. Kg1 Rh8 (2... Re5 3. Re6! (3. g7? Bc4 4. Re6 Rg5+ 5. Kh2 Bb5 6. e8=Q+ Bxe8 7. Rxe8+ Kb7 8. g8=Q Rxg8 9. Rxg8 exf2 10. Kg2 a2!) 3... Bb5! (3... Rxe6! cook KT 4. g7 a2 5. g8=Q+ Kb7 6. e8=Q Rxe8 7. Qb3+ Kc7 8. Qc3+ Kb7) 4. Rxe5 a2 5. e8=Q+ (5. Rxb5? a1=Q+ 6. Kg2 f3+ 7. Kg3 Qg1+) 5... Bxe8 6. Ra5+ Kb7 7. f3 (7. g7? e2!) 7... Bxg6 8. Rxa2 Bd3 (8... Kc7! cook HH) (8... Kc8! cook HH) 9. Ra4 Kc6 10. Rd4! Bg6 (10... Bb5 11. Rxf4 Bd3 12. Rd4) (10... Be2 11. Kg2 Kc5 12. Rxf4 Bd3 13. Rf8 Kd4 14. Rd8+ Kc3 15. f4 Kd2 (15... Be4+ 16. Kf1 Bd3+ 17. Ke1) 16. Re8! e2 17. Kf2 Bb5 18. Re5! Bd3 19. Re3!) 11. Kf1! Kc5 12. Rxf4 Bd3+ 13. Ke1 Kd5 14. Ra4 Ke5 (14... Bc4 15. f4 Bd3 16. Ra5+ Ke4 (16... Ke6 17. Re5+) (16... Kd6 17. Ra3) 17. f5) (14... e2 15. Ra3 Bc4 16. Re3) 15. Ra3 Kd4 16. Ra5! Bg6 (16... e2 17. Kd2) 17. Ra4+ Kd3 (17... Ke5 18. Ke2) 18. Ra3+ Kd4 19. Ke2 Ke5 20. Kxe3) 3. Kxf1 e2+ 4. Kxe2 Re8 5. Ra6+ Kb7 6. Rxa3 Rxe7+ 7. Kf3 Rg7 8. Kxf4 Rxg6 9. Rc3) 2. g7! (2. Re6? Rxe6 3. g7 Rxe7 4. g8=Q+ Ka7 5. Qa2 Ba6 6. Qxa3 exf2 7. Qxe7+ Bb7+) 2... Bc4! 3. Re6! Bd5+ (3... Rh5+ 4. Kg2 Rg5+ 5. Kf3 Bb5 6. e8=Q+ Bxe8 7. Rxe8+ Kb7 8. g8=Q Rxg8 9. Rxg8) (3... Rxe6 4. g8=Q+) (3... Bxe6 4. e8=Q+) 4. f3! (4. Kg1? Rg5+ 5. Kf1 Bc4+ 6. Ke1 Rg1#) 4... Bxf3+ 5. Kg1! Rg5+ 6. Kf1 Bh5! 7. Rg6! Rxg6 (7... Bxg6 main 8. g8=Q+) 8. e8=Q+ 1-0.

GBR: +0430.35h1a8 (c) U3 FEN: k7/6pp/1R2P2P/3r4/5p2/p3p3/5P2/5b1K w - - 0 1

Magyar Sakkelet/5 . correction: Farago=P FIDE revue=1 1-3/1963. U3: Farago=P Revista de Romana de Sah=4 4/1964. 1. e7 Re5 (1... Rh5+ 2. Kg1 Re5 3. Re6! (3. hxg7? Bc4 4. Re6 Rg5+ 5. Kh2 Bb5 6. e8=Q+ Bxe8 7. Rxe8+ Kb7 8. g8=Q Rxg8 9. Rxg8 exf2 10. Kg2 a2!) 3... Bb5 (3... Rxe6 4. hxg7 Rxe7 (4... a2! cook PF 5. g8=Q+ Kb7 6. e8=Q Rxe8 7. Qb3+ Kc7 8. Qc3+ Kb7) 5. g8=Q+ Kb7 6. Kxf1 exf2 7. Qf8 Rc7 8. Qxa3) 4. Rxe5 (4. e8=Q+? Bxe8 5. Rxe5 gxh6 6. Rxe8+ Kb7 7. Re4 a2) 4... a2 5. Rxb5 a1=Q+ 6. Kh2) (1... Ka7 2. Rb4 Re5 3. hxg7 a2 4. Ra4+) 2. hxg7 (2. Re6? Rh5+ 3. Kg1 Bb5) 2... Bc4 3. Re6! Bd5+ (3... Bxe6 main 4. e8=Q+) (3... Rxe6 main 4. g8=Q+) (3... Rh5+ 4. Kg2! Rg5+ 5. Kf3! Bb5 (5... Bd5+ 6. Kxf4) 6. e8=Q+ Bxe8 7. Rxe8+ Kb7 8. g8=Q Rxg8 9. Rxg8 exf2 10. Kxf2) 4. f3! (4. Kg1? Rg5+ 5. Kf1 Bc4+ 6. Ke1 Rg1#) 4... Bxf3+ 5. Kg1! Rg5+ 6. Kf1 Bh5 7. Rg6! Rxg6 (7... Bxg6 main) 8. e8=Q+ 1-0.

GBR: +0430.33h1a8 (c) U3 FEN: k7/8/1R2P1P1/3r4/5p2/1p2p3/5P2/5b1K w - - 0 1

Magyar Sakkelet/4 5.p Bohemian Ring ty 1951-1952. correction: Farago=P Revista de Romana de Sah=12

12/1964. U3: Hergert=V beatochess 07/10/2025. 1. **e7 Rh5+** (1... Re5! **cook** VH 2. g7 Bc4 3. Re6 Bd5+ 4. f3! Rh5+ (4... Bxf3+? 5. Kg1 Rg5+ 6. Kf1 Bh5 7. Rg6 =) 5. Kg2 Rg5+ 6. Kh3 Bxe6+ 7. Kh4 Rxg7 8. e8=Q+ Ka7) 2. **Kg1 Re5** 3. **Re6!** (3. g7? Bc4 4. Re6 Rg5+ 5. Kh2 Bb5 6. e8=Q+ Bxe8 7. Rxe8+ Kb7! 8. g8=Q Rxg8 9. Rxg8 exf2 10. Kg2 b2) (3. Kxf1? Rxe7 4. Rxb3 Re6!) 3... **Rxe6** (3... Bb5 4. Rxe5 Be8 5. g7 b2 6. g8=Q b1=Q+ 7. Kh2 Kb7 8. Qxe8) 4. **g7 b2** (4... Rxe7! **cook** VH 5. g8=Q+ Ka7 6. Qxb3 Ba6!) 5. **g8=Q+ Ka7** 6. **Qf7 b1=Q** 7. **e8=Q+ Qb7** 8. **Qxb7+ Kxb7** 9. **Qxe6 e2** 10. **f3** 1-0.

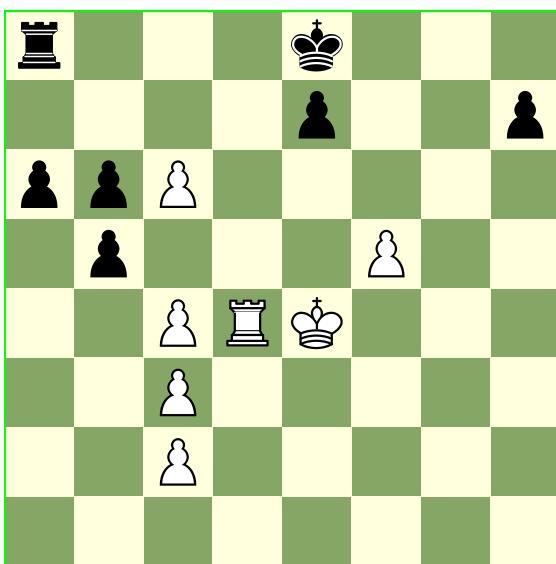
Mandler +0400.55e4e8 (1957). Not cooked (VH)

The study is correct.

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Mandler A
Ceskoslovensky Sach #15
1.p 1957



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GBR: +0400.55e4e8 FEN: r3k3/4p2p/ppP5/1p3P2/2PRK3/2P5/2P5/8 w q - 0 1

Ceskoslovensky Sach/10 1.p Bohemian Ring ty 1957-1959. U3: Hornecker=S HHdbIV#29135 26-4-2006. Comment: Hergert=V beatochess 07/10/2025. 1. **f6** (1. Rd7? Rc8 2. Kd5 Rd8) 1... **exf6** 2. **c5!** (2. Kd5? O-O-O+! 3. Ke6 Kc7) 2... **bxcc5** 3. **Rd7 Rc8** (3... a5 4. Rc7 a4 5. Kd5 a3 6. Rxh7 O-O-O+ 7. Kxc5) (3... h5! **cook** NH no! VH 4. Rh7 (4. Rc7! h4 5. Kd5 Rd8+ 6. Kxc5 Rd2 7. Rh7 Rxc2 8. c7 Rxc3+ 9. Kd6 b4 10. Rh8+ Kf7 11. Rxh4 b3 12. Rh7+ Kg6 13. Rh3 Rxh3 14. c8=Q + TB) 4... O-O-O) 4. **Rb7 Rxc6** 5. **Kd5 Rc8** 6. **Rxh7** 1-0.

Sochnev +0041.13h3h1 (1986). Cook (VH)

7. **Nh3** cooks the study.

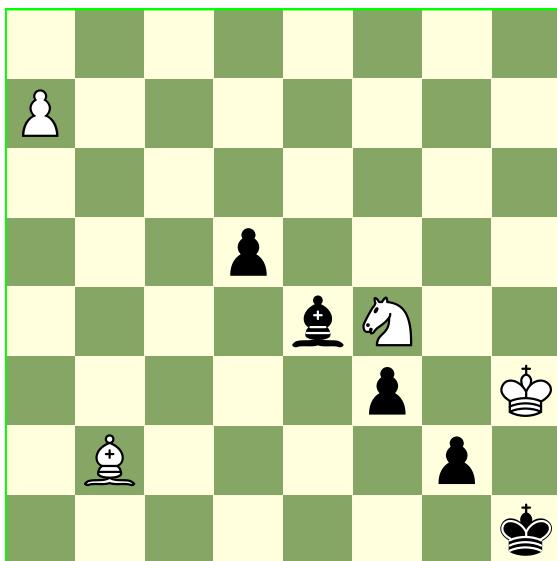
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2.p 1986



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Themes 64=122 Themes 64/4-6. U2: Hergert=V 07/10/2025. 1. **Bd4 f2!** 2. **Bxf2 d4** 3. **Ne2** (3. Bxd4? g1=Q) 3... g1=Q! 4. **Bxg1** (4. Nxg1? d3 5. Be3 d2!) 4... **Bg2+** (4... d3 5. Ng3+ Kxg1 6. Nxe4) 5. **Kg3 d3** 6. **Nf4!** d2 (6... Be4 7. Be3) 7. **Nxg2** (7. Nh3! cook VH 7... d1=Q 8. Nf2+ Kxg1 9. Nxd1 +- 7... d1=Q 8. a8=Q Qa1! (8... Kxg1 9. Qa7+ Kh1 10. Qh7+ Kg1 11. Qh2+ Kf1 12. Ne3+) (8... Qd6+ 9. Nf4+) 9. **Qc6!** (9. Qxa1?) (9. Qb7? Qa7!) (9. Ba7? Qxa7! 10. Qxa7) 9... **Qc1** (9... Qg7+ 10. Kh3 Kxg1 11. Qc1+) 10. **Qe4!** Kxg1 11. **Qd4+ Kh1** 12. **Qh4+ Kg1** 13. **Qh2+ Kf1** 14. **Qh1+** 1-0.

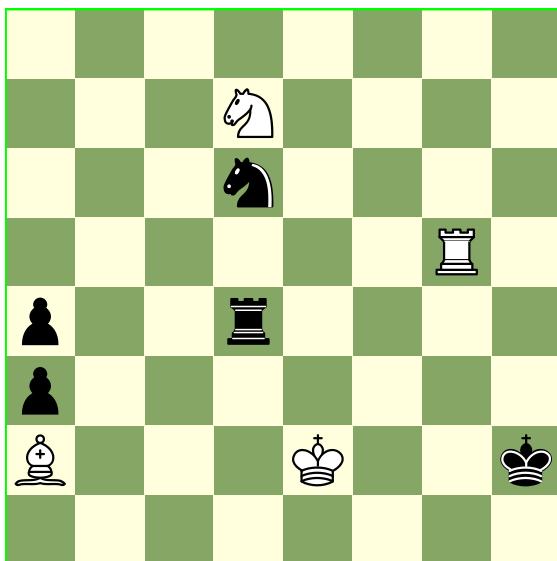
Koranyi +0414.02e2h2 (1966). Comment (VH/BH)

2. Kf3 also wins but wastes time.

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Koranyi A
Tipografia
2.p 1966



win

GBR: +0414.02e2h2 FEN: 8/3N4/3n4/6R1/p2r4/p7/B3K2k/8 w - - 0 1

(EG#00461). Comment: Hergert=V, Neuenschwander=B beatochess 30/10/2025. 1. Ne5! (1. Bd5? a2 2. Bxa2 Rd2+!) (1. Ke3? Nf5+! 2. Rxf5 Rxd7) 1... Rd2+! 2. Ke3 (2. Kf3 comment VH/ BN 2... Rf2+! 3. Ke3 Rxa2 leads to the main line) 2... Rxa2 3. Nf3+ Kh3 4. Kf4 Nf5! 5. Rh5+ (5. Rxf5? Kg2 6. Rh5 Rf2) 5... Nh4! 6. Rxh4+ Kg2 7. Rh2+ Kf1 8. Nd2+ (8. Rxa2?) 8... Ke1 (8... Kg1 9. Kg3 Rb2 10. Rg2+ Kh1 11. Re2) 9. Ke3 Kd1 10. Kd3 Ke1 11. Re2+! (11. Nf3+? Kf1 12. Rxa2) 11... Kd1 12. Rf2! Kc1 13. Rf1+ Kb2 14. Rb1# 1-0.

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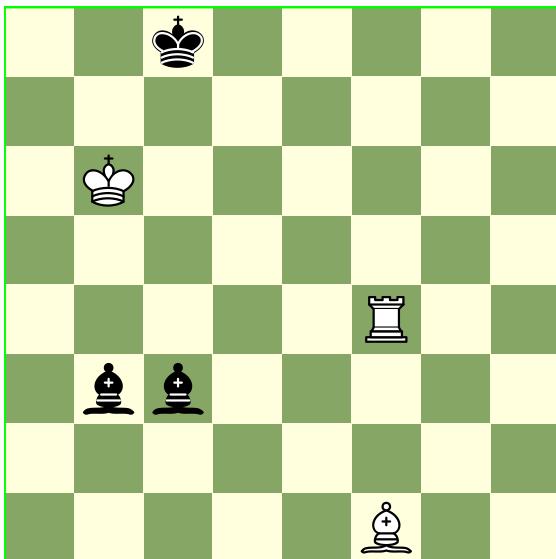
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Volker Hergert corrected the study.

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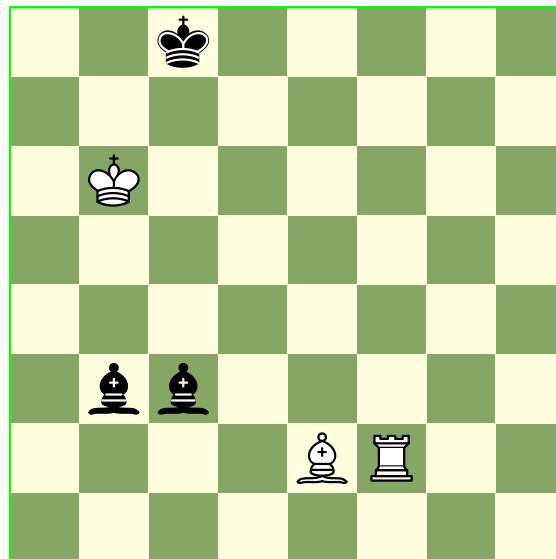
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64 #486
1930/08/20



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Perelman M VH (c)
64 #486
1930/08/20



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64=22-23 . U1: Garcia=M HHdbIV#13846 19-1-2007. 1. Rf8+! (1. Bb5! cook MG 1... Bg7 2. Re4 Bf7 3. Re7 Bd4+ 4. Kc6 Bh5 5. Be2) 1... Kd7 2. Rf3 Bd4+ 3. Ka5! Bc2 4. Bd3! Bd1 (4... Bxd3 5. Rxd3) 5. Bb5+ Kc7 6. Rd3 Bb6+ 7. Ka6 Be2 8. Rc3+ 1-0.

GBR: +0170.00b6c8 (c) FEN: 2k5/8/1K6/8/8/1bb5/4BR2/8 w - - 0 1

correction: Hergert=V 22/10/2025. 1. Rf8+ Kd7 2. Rf3 Bd4+ 3. Ka5 Bc2 4. Bd3 Bd1 5. Bb5+ Kc7 6. Rd3 Bb6+ 7. Ka6 Be2 8. Rc3+ 1-0.

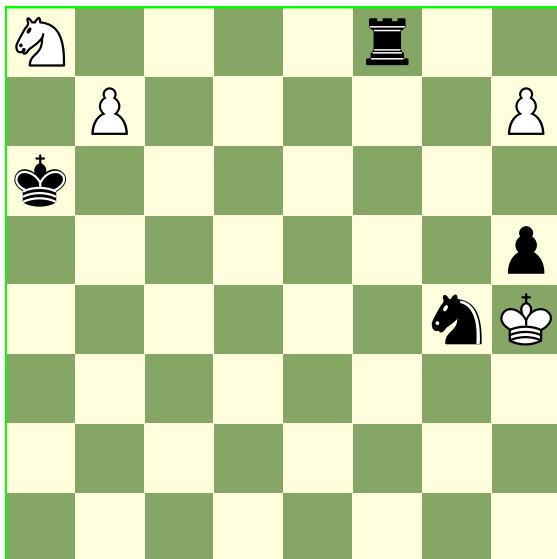
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4. Kh6 cooks the study.

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Shakhmaty v SSSR #27
1974



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Shakhmaty v SSSR/7. U2: Hergert=V beatochess 07/10.2025. 1. Nc7+! (1. Kxh5? Nf6+ 2. Kg6 Nxh7 3. Nc7+ Kxb7 4. Ne6 Rf6+) 1... Ka7! 2. Ne6 Rh8 3. Kxh5 Nf6+ 4. Kg6! (4. Kh6! cook VH 4... Nxh7 (4... Rxh7+ 5. Kg6!) 5. Kg6 Re8 6. Nd4! (6. Ng7? Nf8+ -+) 6... Kxb7 (6... Nf8+ 7. Kf7!) 7. Kxh7!) 4... Nxh7 5. Kh6! (5. Kg7? Re8 6. Kf7 Rb8! 7. Kg7 Rxb7+) 5... Re8 6. Ng7 Rh8 7. Ne6 Kxb7 8. Kg7 Re8 9. Kf7 Rc8 10. Kg7 Re8 (10... Rc6 11. Nd8+) 11. Kf7 Ra8 12. Kg7 Re8 (12... Ra6 13. Nc5+) 13. Kf7 1/2-1/2.

Hlinka =0130.32c5c2 (1987). Additional cooks (VH)

Volker found more deficiencies in Hlinka's study.

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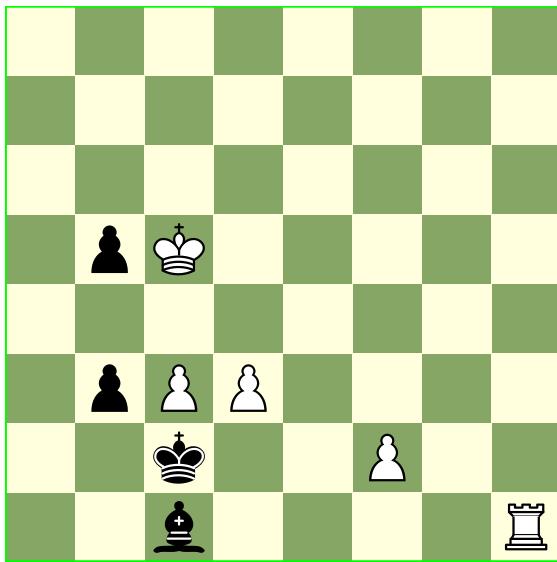
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Hlinka M

Kaminer MT Schakend Nederland

#2087

1.hm 1987



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Schakend Nederland/4 (EG#07477). U3: Staudte=R HHdbII#49185 1-11-1996 U3: Bourzutschky=M HHdbV#26043 28-12-2010 U3: Hergert=V beatochess 07/10/2025. **1. f4** (1. Rh4? b4! 2. Rxb4 Ba3) **1... b2** (1... Bxf4 2. Kxb5) **2. Rh2+ Bd2** **3. Rh1 Kxc3!** **4. d4** (4. Rb1? b4 5. f5 Kc2 6. Rxb2+ Kxb2 7. f6 b3 8. f7 Bh6) **4... b4** **5. d5!** (5. f5? Be3! (5... Bc1 6. Rh3+ Kc2 7. Rh2+ Kb3 8. Rxb2+ Bxb2 9. f6) 6. Kb5 (6. Rf1 **cook** MB 6... Bxd4+ 7. Kd5 Be3! (7... Bf6? 8. Rf3+ Kc2 9. Kc4) 8. f6 Bh6 9. f7 Bf8 10. Rg1 Kc2 -+ VH, no **cook**) 6... Bc1 7. Rh3+ Kc2 8. Rh2+ Bd2 9. Rh1 b1=Q 10. Rxb1 Kxb1 11. f6 b3 12. d5 b2 13. d6 Kc2 14. d7 b1=Q+) **5... Bc1** (5... Be3+! **cook** VH 6. Kb5 (6. Kc6 Bc1 -+ the white king can move to the fourth rank.) 6... Bc1 7. Rh3+ Kc2! (7... Kd4? 8. Rb3!) 8. d6 b1=Q 9. d7 Bd2! -+ VH) **6. Rh3+ Kc2** **7. d6!** (7. Rh2+? Kb3 8. Rxb2+ Bxb2) **7... b1=Q** **8. d7 Be3+!** **9. Rxe3 Qd1** **10. Kc6 b3!** **11. Kc7** (11. Re6? Qf3+ 12. Kb6 b2! 13. Rc6+ Kb3 14. d8=Q b1=Q) (11. Re5? Qf3+ 12. Kb6 Qd3! 13. Rc5+ Kd2) **11... b2** (11... Qc1 -+ **cook** VH) **12. Re6!** (12. Re5? Qd3! 13. d8=Q Qxd8+ 14. Kxd8 b1=Q 15. f5 Qb8+) **12... Qxd7+!** (12... b1=Q 13. Rc6+!) **13. Kxd7 b1=Q** **14. f5!** **Qb5+** **15. Rc6+ Kd3** **16. f6 Ke4** (16... Qb7+! **cook** RS 17. Rc7 Qd5+ 18. Kc8 Qg8+ 19. Kb7 Qd8 20. f7 Kd4 21. Kc6 Ke5 22. Rd7 Qa8+ 23. Kb5 Ke6 24. Rc7 Kd6) **17. f7 Qd5+** **18. Ke7! Qxc6** **19. f8=Q** 1/2-1/2.

Olimpiev +0143.01a5c7 (1974). Additional cook (VH)

The mainline does not work.

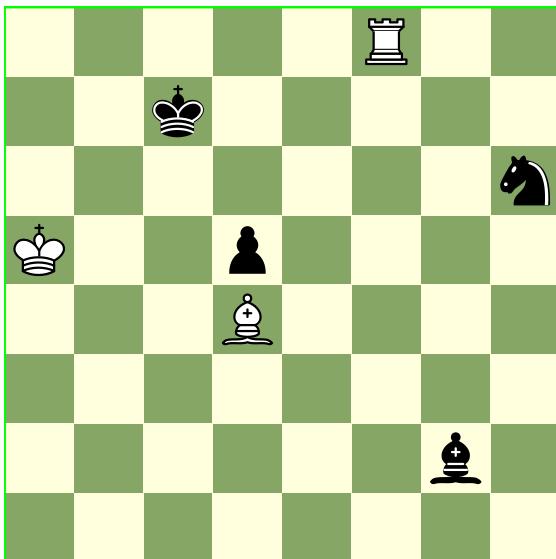
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Olimpiev B

Themes 64 #2827

1974



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Themes 64=76 Themes 64/10-12. U2: Perkonoja=P Themes 64=79 7-9/1975. U3: Hergert=V beatochess 07/10/2025. **1. Rf6!** (1. Bg7? Ng4 2. Rf4 Ne3) (1. Rf2? Be4) **1... Ng4!** (1... Ng8 2. Rf7+ Kd6! 3. Rg7 Ne7 4. Kb6! (4. Kb5? Bf1+) 4... Nc8+ (4... Nf5 5. Bc5+) 5. Kb7) **2. Rf4!** (2. Rf7+? Kd6! 3. Rf4 Nh2! (3... Ne5? 4. Rf6+) 4. Rf2 Nf3! 5. Ba7 Bh1 6. Rf1 Bg2 7. Rf2 Bh1) **2... Nh6!** (2... Nh2 3. Rf2 Nf3 4. Bb6+) **3. Bg7 Ng8 4. Rf7+** (4. Be5+? Kd7! 5. Rg4 Ne7! 6. Rxg2 (6. Rg7 Ke6) 6... Ne6+) (4. Rg4! cook PP 4... Be4 5. Be5+) **4... Kc6** (4... Kd6 5. Bf8+ Ke6 6. Rg7) (4... Kd8! cook VH) **5. Be5!** d4 **6. Rg7!** Bd5 **7. Rc7#** 1-0.

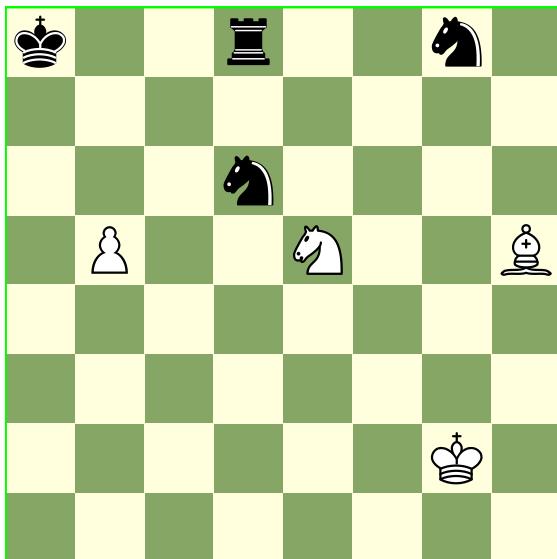
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The mainline does not work due to **5... Nc3**.

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Rusinek J
Szachy #0304
1974



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