

Thanks you
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Dear George,

Here are twenty unannotated games using the Caro-Kann, selected from Shakhmatny byulleten for 1966. Each game meets the following arbitrary standards: Black wins or draws; no more than forty-five moves per game; the struggle evokes interest apart from the opening itself; rarely played opening variations are favored.

I have a chess question for you. In the Evans Gambit, after 1 P-K4 P-K4 2 N-KE3 N-QB3 3 B-B4 B-B4 4 P-QN4 BxP 5 P-B3 B-R4 6 P-Q4 P-Q3 7 Q-N3 Q-K2(?), the openings manuals are unanimous in condemning Black's last move on the grounds that White wins a piece with 8 P-Q5 and Q-R4ch.

But the Black Knight need not fall back to the first rank after 8 P-Q5 and submit to the check helplessly. Instead, he has a much stronger move in 8 ... N-Q5, and now neither 9 Q-R4ch B-Q2 10 QxB N-B7ch 11 K-Q1 NxR nor 9 NxN PxN 10 O-O (If 10 Q-R4ch B-Q2 11 QxB QxPch 12 K-Q1 B-N5ch 13 P-B3 BxPch 14 PxB QxPch, then Black wins a Rook and four Pawns to balance his loss of both Bishops.) 10 ... B-N3 wins the promised piece, although White still has superior development. What, then, is White's strongest continuation against 7 ... Q-K2?

How about 12. B-N2 and White has two pieces for the rook & pawn anything wrong with this?

Richard

P.T.O.

12. BN2 P-KB4
13. QN2 N-KB3
14. BQ3 PXP
15. BXP NAB
16. NXV BB4
17. R-KI etc.

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