

JAGGED GERMANY

Chapter 2: Eat and die

"If Germany can defeat the British and France in this war, then maybe everything can be changed. However, it will be too difficult for Germany to win this war!" Qin Tian said to the quietly flowing Haval Erhe said.

It's just that when thinking about this aspect, Qin Tian felt a deep sense of helplessness. He wants to contribute his strength to Germany's defeat of powerful enemies in future wars.

However, he is only the fifth son of William II. There are four older brothers, and the eldest brother is the crown prince of the empire. He has a younger brother and a younger sister, both of whom were more favored by William II than he. It can be said that among the several children of William II, Prince Oscar can almost be regarded as a dispensable role. This makes him helpless even if he wants to participate in Germany's hegemony!

According to the trajectory of historical development, he will be sent to the Kiel Naval Academy, study for a few years, and then serve in the navy. As a civilian or a small officer, he has almost no future. When the war broke out and Germany was defeated, the entire royal family had to leave Germany and go into exile in the Netherlands. These distinguished princes will be stripped of their glamorous coats, and live in idyllic existence until they finally die in humiliation.

"No, I can't live this kind of life. I can't just eat and wait to die. Otherwise, wouldn't I regret it for the rest of my life? Besides, God made me reborn in Germany during this period, and I definitely don't want me to live in such a mediocre way." Finish this life." Qin Tian swore secretly.

"There are still ten years left. If careful preparations are made, will Germany have a chance to come back?" Qin Tian asked himself in his heart.

Whether it is for Germany or Qin Tian, they need time. It takes time to prepare for the coming war. Especially Qin Tian, with his current status, it is not an easy task to gain the attention of the Kaiser and contribute his own strength to Germany.

"You can't waste time going to the Kiel Naval Academy. Four years is enough to do a lot of things. For example, make a lot of money." Qin Tian secretly thought.

Developing armaments, manufacturing tanks and warships all require a lot of money. A battleship needs tens of millions of marks. Even the first-class dreadnought ship of the German Navy, the "Nassau-class" battleship, cost 40 million marks. For the limited military expenditure of the German Navy, it is obviously very difficult to compete with the British Navy in the number of battleships. If Qin Tian can earn enough money to support the development of the German Navy in the next ten years, maybe everything will be different.

As a military enthusiast, Qin Tian had a deep research on the warships of various countries during World War I. Know the pros and cons of the main warships of each country. In this regard, it is undoubtedly a great advantage for the German Navy. Of course, the prerequisite is that Qin Tian must have a certain amount of power. Only in this way can he apply his knowledge of more than a hundred years ahead to strengthen Germany's military strength.

It's just that, for him who has never been favored by William II, it is undoubtedly harder than reaching the sky if he wants to gain power. What's more, he is only 16 years old now.

"Your Highness, Your Majesty told you to go see him immediately!" A young palace attendant said to Qin Tian.

"Okay, Carl, I'll go right away." Qin Tian stood up and said.

This young waiter is named Carl von Jonneret. Their family is all for the royal family. His father, Essen von Jonneret, was a steward to Kaiser Wilhelm II. In the palace, it has a very high status. His eldest brother is also the head of the bodyguard of Crown Prince William. Because of their similar age, Carl von Jonneret and Qin Tian had a good relationship.

"Do you know what His Majesty wants from me?" Qin Tian asked.

"I don't know, but General Ludwig Birkenhagen has just left His Majesty's office."

Qin Tian nodded, he probably knew what was going on.

Rear Admiral Ludwig Birkenhagen, the dean of the Kiel Naval Academy, trained many talents for the German Navy, and was also highly valued by William II.

When William II attached great importance to the construction of the navy, he undoubtedly hoped that his children, his children, could enter the Naval Academy to study, so that the children of the royal family could contribute their own strength to the strength of the German navy.

Among the many sons of William II, the eldest son, Crown Prince William, is 22 years old. As the crown prince, he has already begun to participate in the management of state affairs.

The second son, Prince Ethel Friedrich, is 21 years old and is now serving in the army.

The third son, Prince Albert, is about to graduate from the Army Academy and serve in the Guards. The fourth son, Prince August William, has just entered the Army Academy.

Therefore, William II's dream of a powerful navy may only fall on Prince Oscar and his youngest son, Prince Joachim.

"No matter what, you can't waste four years in the Naval Academy!" Qin Tian made up his mind secretly, and then walked to William II's office.

When he entered the office, he found that not only William II was there, but Crown Prince William was also there. Wilhelm II had a red face and seemed to be in a good mood.

Qin Tian knew that William II had been in a good mood during this time. In order to compete for the hegemony of the Far East, Japan and Russia broke out a fierce war. Moreover, the Russians are at a disadvantage on the battlefield. This naturally made William II feel better.

Russia is in alliance with France, which is undoubtedly a great enemy for Germany. William II naturally hoped that the Russians would stumble hard in the Far East. In this case, it will help weaken Russia's strength and give Germany a greater advantage in the next confrontation.

When Qin Tian entered the office of William II, he heard them talking about the battle situation in Lushun. The Japanese army has completed its raid on Lushun, although the resistance of the Russian army continues. But even the Russian Pacific Fleet has been blocked in the port. Once Lushun is taken, the Russians will undoubtedly suffer heavy losses.

"Father, Your Royal Highness the Crown Prince!" Qin Tian entered the office and saluted the two.

"Well, Oscar, you're here." William II nodded. Although this son does not please him. However, it was his son after all. He still hopes that this son can become a useful talent, not a prince who only knows how to eat and wait to die.

"Oscar, I have already made an agreement with Dean Ludwig Birkenhagen. After half a month, you can report to the Kiel Naval Academy. I hope you can study hard at the Naval Academy and become an excellent student." Naval talents!" William II said with full expectation.