

## JAGGED GERMANY

### Chapter 5: Donate a Battleship

"Your Excellency, Dean, please listen to my explanation." Qin Tian said hastily.

If Dean Ludwig Birkenhagen sent a telegram to William II, wouldn't all his efforts be in vain?

Dean Ludwig Birkenhagen looked at Qin Tian coldly. If it wasn't because of Qin Tian's identity, he wouldn't want to talk nonsense with them at all. Get out of Keele Naval Academy.

"Your Excellency, perhaps in your opinion, entering the Kiel Naval Academy for four years is a great improvement in a person's ability. However, in my opinion, this is a waste of four years. Is it possible, Am I going to stay here for four years, and after graduation, I will serve as a small second lieutenant?"

Dean Ludwig Birkenhagen was trembling with anger at Qin Tian's remarks.

"His Royal Highness, shut up. If you don't want to join the navy, I won't force it. But please don't insult the navy. It is the countless little second lieutenants who graduated from the Kiel Naval Academy that support the German navy. ”  
Dean Ludwig Birkenhagen was furious.

"I'm sorry, Dean, I made a slip of the tongue." Qin Tian quickly apologized.

"However, Your Excellency the Dean. With all due respect, although the German navy is catching up, the gap with the British navy has not only not narrowed, but has been continuously expanding. The British control most of the colonies in the world. It allows them to plunder wealth from the colonies unscrupulously, and then invest in the construction of the navy.

But what about Germany? Our geographic location necessitates a considerable investment in the Army. This makes our investment in the navy far from being comparable to that of the British. If this continues, it is simply delusional for us to challenge the British Navy. "

Dean Ludwig Birkenhagen was silent for a while, as an old man who has worked in the navy for decades. He can be said to have watched the German Navy develop from scratch and develop bit by bit. Naturally, I also know how big the gap between the German Navy and the British Navy is. Although William II's ambition to develop the navy was limited by national strength and external factors, it was indeed very, very difficult for the German navy to defeat the British navy.

"Although our enemy is very powerful. However, the German navy will never yield. We will grow stronger and we will definitely be able to defeat the British in the future." Dean Ludwig Birkenhagen said stubbornly.

Qin Tian nodded. These generals, officers and soldiers of the German Navy are all worthy of respect. It is precisely because of their continuous efforts that the German Navy has developed into the world's second largest navy after the British Navy in a short period of time. navy.

But, so what? In the end, the German navy failed to defeat the British navy. After Germany's defeat, all the warships of the German Navy sank. This made Germany no longer have a strong navy.

"Yes, Dean. I believe that with everyone's efforts, the German navy will become stronger. However, it is still very difficult to defeat the British navy. With the financial resources of the British, it is enough to form a Double the suppression of capital ships. At that time, it will be easier said than done for us to defeat them? With the development of naval warships to the current level, the role luck can play in naval battles has become smaller and smaller." Qin Tian continued Said.

In the age of sail, luck played a big role in naval battles. However, when the navy's capital ships have entered the era of iron-clad giant ships, if you count on luck for victory, you will lose.

Dean Ludwig Birkenhagen nodded involuntarily. Although he didn't want to admit it, he had to admit that Qin Tian's analysis was on point.

"His Royal Highness, are you so pessimistic about the future of the German Navy that we will not be an opponent of the British?" Dean Birkenhagen asked.

"Your Excellency the President, frankly speaking, if the Navy continues to develop at the current pace, it is impossible to defeat the British. And in future wars, the Navy will not be able to defeat the British Navy. This is for Germany It is absolutely a disaster. At that time, our coastline will be blocked, the overseas trade line will be cut off by the British, and we will be surrounded by the enemy. Once the army cannot defeat the enemy quickly, the war will enter a stalemate At this stage, the final result of Germany may be to be dragged to death alive."

Dean Ludwig Birkenhagen, as well as Karl were shocked. Obviously, they were all frightened by the scene Qin Tian described. They have great confidence in Germany. But they also have to admit that the enemy is very powerful. And all of what Qin Tian said is entirely possible.

"Your Highness, is there no chance for Germany?" Carl's voice trembled a little.

"No, Germany still has a chance. If we can build more capital ships that can completely crush the British, then our navy can defeat them. As long as the navy can win, then in future wars, Germany will immediately Invincible." Qin Tian said.

"However, the empire doesn't have that much money invested in the development of the navy. It's simply unrealistic to compete with the British in the number of capital ships." Dean Birkenhagen shook his head.

"It is true that we are not inferior to the British in terms of the performance of capital ships. However, if we want to compete in numbers, then we are still far behind. So, this is why I don't want to waste four years in the Naval Academy."

"Your Highness, what does this have to do with your reluctance to come to the Naval Academy to study? It is precisely because the gap between the German Navy and our enemy is so great that people like you are needed to join!"

Unknowingly, Dean Birkenhagen's hostility towards Qin Tian also dissipated a lot. In his opinion, since Qin Tian has these insights, he shouldn't be an ignorant person!

Qin Tian shook his head: "Your Excellency, the most critical factor restricting the development of the German Navy is nothing more than funds. If I can contribute more development funds to the German Navy through my own efforts, then it will be a great deal for the German Navy. For the navy, it is undoubtedly more beneficial."

Dean Birkenhagen couldn't help but frowned. Qin Tian's reason seemed too far-fetched, or whimsical.

"Your Excellency, if I can promise to donate a battleship to the German Navy in the next four years. Then, can your Excellency agree to my previous request?"