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Chapter 111: Take the initiative to attack (for collection)

Qin Tian left the banquet hall together with Princess Gundlinde, and went to visit the garden of the palace. This made the other people in the banquet hall dumbfounded. Some people who originally had a glimmer of hope in their hearts now feel the feeling of shattered hope. Obviously, the relationship between Qin Tian and Princess Gundlinde is gradually getting closer.

Many people also have a feeling that the two are completely talented and beautiful, a match made in heaven.

Even if the protagonist is gone, the banquet must continue. This banquet will provide a very good platform for those noble men and women who are empty and lonely, trying to hook up. Especially once you drink a lot of wine, everyone will be more open, and some jaw-dropping farces will often break out.

And all of this has nothing to do with Qin Tian and Princess Gundlinde. The two are visiting the garden. Qin Tian seemed to become very talkative all of a sudden, with witty remarks, making Princess Gundelinde's teasing trembling, and covering his face with a coquettish smile.

Princess Gundlinde also admires Qin Tian very much. In the past few years, Qin Tian's actions have become a legend in the entire German Empire.

Naturally, many women regard Qin Tian as their ideal object.

Qin Tian and Princess Gundelinde can be said to be lovers and concubines, which naturally brings the relationship between the two of them closer. After visiting the garden of the palace, both of them had clearly felt the meaning of the other.

"Your Highness, how long can you stay in Berlin this time? There are many scenic spots around Berlin. If possible, I would like to be your guide and take you to visit these scenic spots." Qin Tian said.

"I'm sorry, Your Royal Highness, I miss my mother very much. We will leave for Munich tomorrow. However, I invite His Royal Highness to visit Munich at an appropriate time." Princess Gunderlund said.

A trace of regret flashed across Qin Tian's face, but since Princess Gundlinde invited him to Munich, of course he would not miss this opportunity.

"Okay, Your Highness, I will definitely go to Munich." Qin Tianxia made up his mind.

On the second day, the news that Qin Tian fell in love with the little princess Gundlinde of the Kingdom of Bavaria spread throughout the entire German Empire. The public didn't have any opinion on this. In their opinion, a handsome prince and a beautiful princess should live together.

As for those elites, they can't help but sigh that once the marriage between the Hohenzollern family and the Bavarian royal family is completed, the situation in the German Empire will be more stable. It is impossible.

King William II also attached great importance to this, and specially summoned Qin Tian.

"Oscar, do you have a crush on Princess Gondlind?" William II asked straight to the point.

"Yes, Father, I like Princess Gundlinde and want her to be my wife." Qin Tian also replied firmly, he was originally a person who would not easily make changes once he was determined. What's more, Princess Gundlinde was originally his favorite type. For a person, it is not so easy to meet someone he likes in his life.

King William II couldn't help frowning. He understood Qin Tian's intentions from Qin Tian's answer, but this also meant that some of his policies might have to be changed.

"Oscar, you should be clear that over the years, I have been thinking of ways to suppress the royal families in the country, compress their power, and consolidate the Hohenzollern family's ruling power in the German Empire. The Bavarian royal family can be called the most influential in southern Germany. They are also the targets of my suppression. If you marry Princess Gundlinde, I am afraid I will have to change my policy." William II said.

Qin Tian nodded. He naturally knew that William II had been worried that the royal families of those states in the country would pose a threat to the rule of the Hohenzollern family, and had always been strengthening the centralization of power. However, he didn't think it had anything to do with his marriage to Princess Gundelinde.

"Father, strengthening the centralization of power will be a long-term process. If the means are too drastic, it will cause them to counterattack. I think we should adopt a gentle policy and influence them subtly. means to eliminate their threat to the Hohenzollern family. Of course, when necessary, strong means can also be used to deter other people. Even if I marry Princess Gundlinde, it will not have any impact on this ." Qin Tian said. A lot of times, politics is politics and not to be confused with anything else.

King William II thought for a while, then nodded. Although, he thought it would be very difficult for Qin Tian to do everything he said. But since Qin Tian had already said that, he naturally couldn't say anything more. He believed that with Qin Tian's intelligence, he would handle all of this well.

"Okay, Oscar, I believe in you. Now that you have made a decision, then do it according to your ideas! I believe that you will handle all this well." William II expressed his support for Qin Tian.

"Yes, Royal Father!" Qin Tian nodded, and at the same time breathed a sigh of relief. Being able to pass through William II made him feel relieved a lot. Originally, what he was most worried about was that William II would clearly oppose it. After all, there are many contradictions between the Hohenzollern family and the Bavarian royal family.

After leaving the palace, Qin Tian went directly to the headquarters of the Deutsche Industries Group. If he goes to Munich this time, he doesn't know how long he will stay. However, the various enterprises under the industrial group cannot be affected by this. He had to tell Karl to follow up on these projects.

"His Royal Highness, congratulations!" Carl von Jonalet smiled. Of course, he was very clear about what happened at the banquet last night.

"Haha, Carl, it's too early to congratulate me now! Let's talk about it when we get married!" Qin Tian said with a smile.

Carl von Jonalet nodded, he knew that Qin Tian was serious.

"Carl, I'm going to Munich tomorrow. Keep an eye on the affairs of the group. Especially the shipyard, engine factory, and munitions company. Don't relax. Make sure that all projects are progressing in an orderly manner," Qin Tian ordered.

"Okay, His Royal Highness the Crown Prince." Carl von Jonalet replied. He knew that Qin Tian's mind was no longer on the company, and he would be very busy in the next period of time.

Chapter 112: confession

On July 4, 1908, Qin Tian left Berlin and took a special train to Munich. He had no one with him but the guards. Now that Qin Tian is going out, the guards must strengthen their defenses. Neither Qin Tian nor William II hoped for another assassination incident.

In addition, on the special train, there are gifts from Qin Tian to Princess Gundlinde and members of the Bavarian royal family. Because there are too many members of the Bavarian royal family, so many gifts are brought. There are 13 children of King Ludwig III of Bavaria. Of course, the 4th son, the 5th daughter and the 8th daughter died and did not grow up. The third daughter also died at the age of twenty-two. But even so, among the remaining children, there are still three sons and six daughters, which is already amazing among the royal families in Europe.

After all, monogamy is practiced in European countries. Even the emperor and the king secretly had many mistresses and many illegitimate children. However, those illegitimate children will not have titles, nor will they be recognized. Therefore, Ludwig III is definitely the king with more children on the surface.

The gift that Qin Tian gave to members of the Bavarian royal family was Daimler's Daimler B-class sedan. When Daimler's A-class sedan was not on the market, the B-class sedan had become the most luxurious car on the market. Of course, the Daimler C-class sedan is a sedan for the general public. Many working-class people can afford it, and it has become the main sedan produced by Daimler.

On the morning of July 6, Qin Tian arrived in Munich. The Bavarian royal family got the news, and asked Ruprecht*** to go to Munich Railway Station to welcome Qin Tian's arrival.

"His Royal Highness, welcome to Munich. It is an honor for the entire Kingdom of Bavaria." Ruprecht's face was full of smiles. They only returned to Munich yesterday, and Qin Tian came after him the next day. Doesn't this show that Qin Tian loves his sister very much? Chase so closely.

Ruprecht*** sincerely hopes that Qin Tian and Princess Gunderlund can get married. Once the Hohenzollern family and the Bavarian royal family

successfully marry, this will make the Bavarian royal family soar and become the second largest in the entire German Empire. For the great royal family of the Hohenzollern family. Even if it cannot be restored to the independent period of the Kingdom of Bavaria, at least it will be much better than the current situation.

"Your Highness, you are very polite. I came to Munich at the invitation of Princess Gundlinde. I have also admired the city of Munich for a long time." Facing his future brother-in-law, Qin Tian didn't show any arrogance, nor did he have the airs of a crown prince.

And this also made Mrs. Ruprecht very satisfied. After all, besides being the commander of the Kingdom of Bavaria, he is also an army general of the German Empire. Even if his identity and status are not as good as Qin Tian's, they are not far behind.

Afterwards, Qin Tian and Ruprecht **** up and drove to the Munich Palace. The car they were riding in was a Daimler B-class car of Daimler AG. Although the sales of Daimler's B-class cars are booming, many people can't grab one with money. But with the ability of the Bavarian royal family, it is natural to be able to get the car before ordinary people.

On the way, Mrs. Ruprecht was full of praise for Daimler's B-class car. He knew that Daimler had become a company under Qin Tian's Deutsche Industries Group, and this was also a disguised form. Flattering Qin Tian.

At the same time, in the Munich palace, Ludwig III was also talking about this matter with his sons and daughters.

"Father, the eldest brother has received His Royal Highness the Crown Prince, and will soon come to the palace." The second prince Karl was very excited.

"Well, Gundlind, my little son, it seems that you are very charming! You actually let the most outstanding Crown Prince of the German Empire chase you all the way from Berlin to Munich." Ludwig III laughed laugh.

"Father!" Princess Gundlinde blushed from embarrassment, but there was a hint of sweetness in her heart. With Qin Tian's identity, being able to do this to a girl is undoubtedly commendable.

The other unmarried daughters of Ludwig III also looked at Princess Gundlinde with a hint of envy or even jealousy. After all, a man like Qin Tian who has status, talent, and incomparable wealth is definitely the target of every woman's desire to marry.

Soon, Qin Tian arrived at the palace, called on Ludwig III, and gave his gifts to the members of the Bavarian royal family. One Daimler Class B car per person. Although, for these wealthy royal family members, Daimler B-class cars are not expensive, but the key is that even if you have money, you may not be able to buy them! There are many people who haven't bought it yet. Qin Tian gave these presents now, making them very happy.

That night, Ludwig III hosted a banquet to welcome Qin Tian at the Munich Palace. Important figures from the entire Bavarian royal palace attended the banquet. Of course, at the banquet, Qin Tian could clearly feel that many young people were very hostile to him. Qin Tian didn't take it seriously. With the beauty of Princess Gundelinde, he is not surprised that there will be many suitors in the Kingdom of Bavaria. However, for him, those guys were no threat at all, they could only watch him pick off the delicate flower Princess Gundlinde.

In the next few days, Princess Gunderlind became a guide and took Qin Tian to visit the scenic spots in and around Munich. Famous scenic spots such as Marienplatz, Nymphenburg Palace, Theresia Lawn, Deutsches Museum, etc.

their footprints. At the same time, in the past few days, the relationship between Qin Tian and Princess Gundlinde has also been heating up.

At dusk when the sun was setting, Qin Tian and Princess Gundlinde held hands, lying on the lawn, talking about love.

Suddenly, Qin Tian turned around, stared at Princess Gundlinde's beautiful face, and said: "Gundlind, I like you, I hope you can become my wife, and grow old with me? I swear to God, I will love you forever."

Princess Gundlinde was suddenly stunned, as if she never thought that Qin Tian would confess to her at this time. After a few days of contact, she has discovered that Qin Tian is a person who greets on the outside, but is proud in his bones.

However, Princess Gundlinde was very happy with Qin Tian's confession. Isn't this what she expected?

"Oscar, I like you too. I am willing to be your wife and grow old with you." Princess Gundlinde replied.

Qin Tian couldn't bear it anymore, he hugged Princess Gundlinde, kissed her red lips, and the two hearts moved closer together.

Chapter 113: got engaged

That night, when members of the Bavarian royal family were having dinner, Qin Tian and Princess Gundlinde appeared in front of everyone holding hands. Everyone was taken aback.

Although, the relationship between Qin Tian and Princess Gundlinde has been increasing day by day these days. They have already tacitly agreed that the two of them are together. However, in front of everyone, Qin Tian and Princess Gundlinde still didn't appear very close. Now, obviously, everything is different.

Ludwig III, watching this scene, nodded in satisfaction. In his heart, he was undoubtedly very satisfied with finding a good home for his little daughter.

The princes also had smiles all over their faces. The crown prince of the German Empire can become their brother-in-law, which undoubtedly makes them very face-saving. Most importantly, the Bavarian royal family will gain more benefits as a result.

A few princesses, perhaps out of female thinking, are somewhat unwilling. During Qin Tian's visit to the Bavarian royal family, it was not that none of them wanted to **** Qin Tian from Princess Gundlinde, and they took action, but they failed to succeed. Although there is no cat in the world that doesn't steal, Qin Tian's current energy is all on Princess Gundlinde, how could he care about them?

"Your Majesty, I have formally proposed to Princess Gundlinde, and Princess Gundlinde has also agreed, please agree to us." Qin Tian said to Ludwig III.

"What? Marriage proposal?" At this moment, the members of the Bavarian royal family were once again dumbfounded. They did not expect that Qin Tian and Princess Gundlinde's progress would be so fast.

Even Ludwig III was a little dazed, it's only been a few days! The two little guys have already reached the stage of discussing marriage.

"Gundlinde, is what His Royal Highness the Crown Prince said true?" Ludwig III looked at his little daughter. Although he already knew the answer in his heart, he still wanted to confirm it.

"Yes, father, I am willing to be with Oscar and be her wife." Princess Gundlinde seemed to have the courage at once, and raised her head to answer Ludwig III.

"Well, since both of you agree. Then, I have no objection to this. However, Your Royal Highness, don't you ask His Majesty the Emperor's opinion first?" Ludwig III asked.

"Your Majesty, I will rush back to Berlin tomorrow to consult my father's opinion. However, I believe my father will agree." Qin Tian said confidently.

Ludwig III nodded and said no more. Since Qin Tian is so confident, he is naturally willing to marry the Bavarian royal family with the royal family. After all, this will not only make Princess Gundlinde happy, but it will also be of great benefit to the Bavarian royal family.

Other members of the Bavarian royal family also wished Qin Tian and Princess Gundlinde one after another. They are also very happy to be able to marry the royal family.

"His Royal Highness, Gundlinde will only be eighteen years old next year. In my opinion, if His Majesty the Emperor does not object, you can get engaged first this year and get married next year. What do you think?" Ludwig III asked road.

"Your Majesty, I have no objection to this. After returning to Berlin, I will formally report this matter to my father. I believe that my father will not object." Qin Tian said. William II had promised long ago that he would not interfere in this matter, so William II would definitely not object to the engagement and marriage between him and Princess Gondlind.

Early the next morning, Qin Tian left Munich by special train. On the platform of the train station, Qin Tian embraced Princess Gundlinde affectionately and kissed passionately regardless of everyone's eyes.

Although they haven't known each other for a long time, the progress is very fast. Except for the last step, everything else that should be done and

should not be done has already been done. This made Qin Tian, who was an otaku in his previous life, very proud.

On July 10, Qin Tian returned to Berlin. As soon as he returned to Berlin, Qin Tian went directly to the palace to ask to see William II.

"Oscar, welcome back, how is your trip to Munich this time?" Wilhelm II asked with a smile. Of course, through the secret intelligence organization controlled by the royal family, Qin Tian's every move in Munich these days can be said to be under his control.

"Father, I am very satisfied with this trip to Munich. Princess Gundlinde and I have come together." Qin Tian said happily.

"Haha, well done. Oscar, you are very good at capturing a beautiful princess so quickly." William II laughed.

"Father, I came back to Berlin this time to tell you. I have already proposed to Princess Gundlinde. And she also agreed to my proposal. King Ludwig III did not object. Now, I formally consult Your opinion." Qin Tian said.

It's just that, although it is said to consult William II. But in fact Qin Tian had already made up his mind. William II was also well aware of this. Of course he wouldn't object to that. In that case, the relationship between him and Qin Tian will undoubtedly be greatly affected.

"Oscar, you are my most outstanding son, and I support your choice." William II said.

"Thank you, father!" Qin Tian was very happy.

"Father, His Majesty Ludwig III proposed that Princess Gondlinde will only turn eighteen next year, so I hope we can get engaged first this year and get married next year." Qin Tian continued.

King William II nodded: "Of course, there is no problem. You can settle it first and wait until next year to get married."

What happened after that has nothing to do with Qin Tian. William II and Ludwig III, after discussing, decided to make Qin Tian and Princess Gundlinde get engaged one month later.

When the news came out, the whole of Germany was in an uproar. Even though, the news that Qin Tian has taken a fancy to Princess Gundlinde is already well known throughout Germany. However, it was beyond everyone's expectation that they would come together so quickly. I don't know how many noble girls are depressed because of this.

Although, even if you are married, you can still get a divorce. What's more, this is just an engagement. However, the emperor or crown prince of a country rarely divorces. Therefore, this also means that they have no chance. However, no matter how unhappy they are, they can't change all this.

On August 18, 1908, Qin Tian and Princess Gundlinde were officially engaged in Berlin. And the date of their wedding has also been set, which will be in September next year, the second month after Princess Gondlinde turns 18.

Chapter 114: New Weapon Exhibition (for collection)

After Qin Tian got engaged to Princess Gundlinde, his life also changed. He no longer devotes all his time and energy to work, and every month he takes time to go to Munich, or Princess Gundlinde to Berlin. They are already engaged, and no one will say anything when they are together.

Of course, young men and women are like dry wood and fire, and it can be ignited at any point. On a night full of moonlight, Qin Tian and Princess Gundlinde merged into one body, making Qin Tian, who has been a human being for two generations, feel the beauty of the love between a man and a woman for the first time. It also made him obsessed for a while.

However, Qin Tian is a person with lofty aspirations after all. Now he not only has to think about his own future, but also the future of his lover. Now, he is a high-ranking crown prince, but once Germany is defeated, he will fall into the sky, and even Princess Gundlinde will be greatly affected by this. Therefore, for the future, he must work harder.

In October 1908, good news came from the Krupp company. They had completed all the development of the 343mm naval gun and could enter mass production. At the same time, the development of the 380mm caliber main gun was officially launched. Next, they will invest heavily in the development of this large-caliber naval gun.

In November, the Deutsche Arms Company, jointly invested by the Deutsche Industries Group and Krupp, achieved success in the light weapons planned by Qin Tian. Semi-automatic rifles, sniper rifles, squad and general-purpose machine guns, as well as mortars and grenades, were developed and tested. This made Qin Tian very satisfied. It is still several years before the war breaks out. If the German Army can start a large-scale refit from now on, and replace all of these new weapons, this will bring the German Army's combat effectiveness to a higher level again. In future wars, the possibility of winning will naturally be greater.

Gustav Krupp specially rushed to Qin Tian's office to discuss the next move.

"His Royal Highness, we have already developed all the weapons you requested to develop. At present, they are undergoing testing. I have asked the experts for their opinions, because the technical difficulty is not that great, so there will be no big problems. .It is estimated that the test can be completed in one month. Then, what should we do next?" Gustav Krupp stared at Qin Tian with burning eyes.

"Mr. Krupp, if there are no problems with the test, then we should sell these weapons to the army in the next step. I think that these weapons with excellent performance should not be too big of a problem if they want to be favored by the army. Go!" Qin Tian said.

"His Royal Highness, the performance of these weapons is indeed very advanced. However, I am afraid that this does not mean that the Army will purchase them." The smile on Gustav Krupp's face faded.

"Oh? Why?" Qin Tian was taken aback. Could it be that the top brass of the Army have water in their heads, instead of purchasing excellent weapons and equipment, they instead purchase weapons with poor performance. Isn't this going to send more soldiers to die on the battlefield? Qin Tian couldn't accept this.

"His Royal Highness, our weapons are advanced in performance, but the cost is a little higher, so the purchase price will be slightly more expensive. In addition, Mauser and Rheinmetall will definitely try to hinder us. They are in the army system. The connections are not weaker than ours." Gustav Krupp had a serious expression on his face.

Qin Tian nodded, he understood what Gustav Krupp meant. Once the products of Deutsche Arms Company are successful, it will undoubtedly further reduce the share of Mauser and Rheinmetall. It will even make the two companies lose money. This is undoubtedly unacceptable for the two companies. Therefore, they will definitely use all their strength to stop the German arms company. Even if Qin Tian's status is noble and the Krupp company is powerful, they cannot make them give up. After all, this is a matter of their life and death.

Krupp's influence in the German Army is indeed great. However, Mauser and Rheinmetall are not bad either. If the two companies unite, they can even

compete with Mauser. Therefore, if the German Arms Company wants to succeed, it undoubtedly still has a long way to go.

Even though he knew that the difficulties would be great, Qin Tian would not give up easily. You have already achieved this step, how can you give up halfway? What's more, Qin Tian's actions will certainly affect the interests of some people. However, everything he did was for the German Empire to win wars in the future! Qin Tian has a clear conscience about this. He also believes that other people can understand his painstaking efforts.

"Even so, we can't give up. I believe that we will be able to succeed. How about this, next month, on Christmas Eve, we will hold a new weapon display at the shooting range, and I will find a way to invite His Majesty They will also be present. At that time, all the generals of the army will definitely be present. As long as our weapons can perform well, I believe they will not open their eyes and talk nonsense. As long as an agreement can be reached, Mao No matter how dissatisfied Seer and Rheinmetall are, there is no other way." Qin Tian said.

"This is a way. I will also mobilize the contacts of Krupp to break through the obstacles of Mauser and Rheinmetall. This time, no one can stop us." Gustav Krupp also has the same fighting spirit soaring.

Qin Tian and Gustav Krupp took action immediately. Qin Tian went to the palace and invited William II to attend the new weapon exhibition of the German Arms Company. In this regard, William II stated that he would participate. Although, William II was busy. But he still showed his support for Qin Tian. William II wanted to see what kind of new weapons Qin Tian could bring out this time. With the example of the navy, he is looking forward to Qin Tian more and more. After all, if Germany's military power can be further strengthened, even if a war breaks out in the future, Germany's chances of winning will be even greater.

The Army General Staff, the chief officers and generals of the Ministry of the Army were also invited. Chief of the General Staff Mao Qi, Deputy Chief of the General Staff General Waldsee, Minister of War von Falkenhain, and Minister of the Navy Marshal Count Tirpitz will all participate in this new weapons exhibition. Although they are all big shots, they still want to give Qin Tian face.

Gustav Krupp urged the R&D department to be foolproof this time.

Chapter 115: army shock

On December 22, 1908, a shooting range outside Berlin. Today, the shooting range is completely closed. People from the army and the security department have closely monitored the place.

On the one hand, all the people who came to participate in the new weapons exhibition of the German Armament Company were the big figures of the empire, not only the important generals of the army, but also the emperor of the empire. There was no room for sloppy security.

On the other hand, all of these weapons developed by the German Arms Company are state secrets. Once acquired by a hostile country, it will be a serious threat to the German Empire. Qin Tian also wanted the army of the German Empire to rely on these weapons to crush the armies of other countries and win a brilliant victory in the future world war.

"Hurry up, arrange everything. It's almost time. Your Majesty and His Royal Highness will be here soon." Gustav Krupp, who arrived at the shooting range ahead of time, was in charge of a series of preparatory work such as the layout of the venue. .

"Yes, Chairman." The personnel sent by Krupp, as well as the people from the Deutsche Arms Company, are busy to ensure that this exhibition can be successfully concluded without any problems.

"Several gentlemen, can you confirm that there is no problem with the weapons displayed?" Gustav Krupp asked.

"Your Excellency, Chairman, everything is ready. These weapons have been tested by us repeatedly, and there will be no problems." An engineer assured Gustav Krupp.

Gustav Krupp nodded, and then he was relieved.

At nine o'clock in the morning, a long line of cars drove into the shooting range. These cars are all Daimler A-class cars produced by Daimler, which is controlled by Qin Tian. Once this car came out, it immediately became the representative of the most luxurious cars on the market. Although the price of each car was as high as 50,000 marks, it still couldn't stop the buying enthusiasm of those big businessmen, big capitalists and big nobles, and the sales were very hot. Although the sales of A-class cars are not as good as those of B-class and C-class cars, they still represent the most luxurious cars in Germany and Europe.

William II and Qin Tian arrived at the shooting range in the same A-class car. In the cars behind, there were also other high-ranking army and navy officials who also arrived at the shooting range. Of course, the army is the bulk of the procurement of these weapons. But the navy is not without needs. What's more, Qin Tian also plans to allow the navy to establish its own marine corps. In this case, the navy will have a certain land combat strength. At the same time, this army will also be under his control.

When Xiao Maoqi was the chief of the army's general staff, Qin Tian's influence in the army could not be further expanded. Except for the Minister of War von Falkenhain who was on Qin Tian's side, there were quite a few powerful generals who did not move closer to him. Obviously, they were all from Little Maoqi. This made Qin Tian have to use other methods to further

improve his strength. If the navy can have a marine corps, or even develop its strength to ten divisions, it will be of great help to Qin Tian.

Of course, if the Navy establishes the Marine Corps, it will inevitably cause a strong backlash from the Army. Therefore, this matter must be done step by step.

"Good morning, Your Majesty!" Gustav Krupp had been waiting here for a long time, and when he saw William II get off the car, he immediately greeted him.

"Mr. Krupp, good morning!" Wilhelm II nodded. A big businessman like Gustav Krupp also has great influence in Germany. Even William II would not put on airs in front of him.

"His Royal Highness!" Gustav Krupp immediately greeted Qin Tian again.

"Mr. Krupp, is everything ready?" Qin Tian asked.

"Please rest assured, Your Royal Highness, everything is ready!" Gustav Krupp replied.

Qin Tian nodded. He believed that with Gustav Krupp's ability, this time the new weapons exhibition would be successfully held.

At 9:30 in the morning, after a short speech, the new weapon exhibition officially began.

The first performance is the general-purpose machine gun developed by the German Armaments Company. This machine gun is code-named MG09 general-purpose machine gun.

On the shooting range, five MG09 general-purpose machine guns are ready to fire. On receiving the order to fire, the machine gunner pulled the trigger.

"Da da da!" Intensive gunshots sounded instantly, and the hot bullets enveloped the target in the distance like a storm. Sawdust flew across, and in a blink of an eye the wooden target was battered by the dense bullets. Kong, and even some targets have been shattered.

In less than half a minute, the belt with 250 rounds of ammunition had been fired. The barrel of the machine gun also turned red due to the high temperature.

The generals of the army and navy looked at the MG09 general-purpose machine guns in amazement. Obviously, the rate of fire of these general-purpose machine guns is faster than the MG08 heavy machine gun currently equipped by the Army.

"His Royal Highness, is this the heavy machine gun you developed? The rate of fire seems to be very fast." Minister of War von Falkenhain asked. Originally, he had no hope for the newly established German arms company. How can a newly established arms company develop good products in a short period of time? However, the fact gave him a slap in the face.

Other generals undoubtedly thought the same way. But now they are all shocked.

"Yes, this is the machine gun we developed. However, we don't call it a heavy machine gun, but a general-purpose machine gun!" Qin Tian said.

"Universal machine gun?" Everyone is guessing what the name means.

"Mr. Krupp, please introduce the performance of our general-purpose machine gun to Your Majesty and the generals!" Qin Tian said.

"Okay, Your Highness the Crown Prince." Gustav Krupp nodded with a smile on his face. Of course he saw it, and these army generals were shocked. This also shows that the performance of the MG09 general-purpose machine gun far exceeded their expectations.

"Your Majesty, Your Excellencies, Generals. The general-purpose machine gun we developed has a total weight of 12.5 kilograms. Even with a tripod, the total weight is only 20 kilograms, which is only equivalent to one-third of the MG08 heavy machine gun currently equipped by the army. Arrived. The muzzle velocity of the muzzle is 750 meters per second, the maximum firing range is 2,000 meters, and the ammunition belt is used to feed the ammunition, and the maximum firing rate is 800 rounds per minute." Gustav Krupp introduced several key data.

The generals of the army seem to have been shocked by the performance of the MG09 general-purpose machine gun. Compared with the MG08 heavy machine gun they are currently equipped with, it is simply rubbish.

Chapter 116: Strongest infantry firepower

"Your Majesty, there is no doubt that this is a very good machine gun. It is much better than the MG08 heavy machine gun we are currently equipped with. It not only has a faster rate of fire, but also is lighter in weight, suitable for accompanying troops in combat." Von Falkenhain to Wilhelm II.

King William II nodded. The weight of the MG08 heavy machine gun has always been criticized by the troops. It weighs more than 60 kilograms and requires two people to lift it. On the battlefield, it can only be used as a fixed firepower point. In contrast, a general-purpose machine gun with only 20 kilograms is undoubtedly more applicable.

Most of the other generals also nodded repeatedly, agreeing that the general-purpose machine gun is better than the MG08 heavy machine gun.

The chief of the German army's general staff, Mao Qi, did not speak, as if the general-purpose machine gun produced by the German Arms Company had only that performance. In fact, Xiao Maoqi was also shocked in his heart, but he just pretended to be calm and didn't show it.

"How is this possible? In such a short period of time, the Deutsche Arms Company has developed such an excellent product. If this continues, how can Mauser and Rheinmetall compete with them? Oscar's influence will definitely go further. Expansion." Little Maoqi was worried. He has a good relationship with Mauser and Rheinmetall, and naturally he doesn't want the market share of the two companies to be seized by the German Arms Company. At the same time, Xiao Maoqi also knew that once Qin Tian gained more power, he might be the chief of the general staff. For his own benefit, he must do his best to prevent Qin Tian from expanding his influence in the army.

Even if these weapons are excellent, they are very helpful in improving the combat effectiveness of the German Army and will enable the German Army to achieve greater victories at the lowest cost in future wars. But for his own benefit, little Mo Qi would turn a blind eye to this.

It's just that Xiao Maoqi didn't think about how to stop Qin Tian for a while, so he didn't speak.

After the general-purpose machine gun, it was the performance of the squad machine gun. Compared with the MG09 general-purpose machine gun, the squad machine gun code-named MG10 is lighter in weight. Although the rate of fire and effective range cannot be compared with the MG09 general-purpose machine gun, it is more suitable for individual carrying.

"Da da da!" The design of five MG10 squad machine guns started, and the 30 rounds of bullets in a magazine were shot out in an instant. The machine gunners immediately changed magazines and continued to fire. Repeatedly, a total of five magazines were used up before all the machine guns stopped firing.

"Generals, this is the second machine gun developed by the German Armaments Company. We call it a squad machine gun. As the name suggests, this is a machine gun assigned to each infantry squad. This machine gun weighs only 9.5 kilograms, very It is so light that it can be carried by a soldier. It uses magazines to feed ammunition, with a rate of fire of 500 rounds per minute and a maximum range of 1,500 meters." Gustav Krupp continued to introduce.

"Is every infantry squad equipped with machine guns? God! This is really crazy. In this case, how powerful our infantry firepower will be!" General Waldzer, the deputy chief of the army's general staff, said with a look on his face, emotion.

Other army generals almost have the same expressions. The firepower of the German Army was already very powerful, and it was absolutely top-notch among the world's armies. However, if each infantry squad is equipped with machine guns, this will further increase the firepower of the German Army, which will have an overwhelming advantage over the armies of other countries.

After the MG10 general-purpose machine gun, it is the performance of the M1 semi-automatic rifle and the M2 sniper rifle.

The rate of fire of the M1 semi-automatic rifle is twice that of the existing Mauser rifle. This also means that using the M1 semi-automatic rifle, one soldier can exert the firepower of two soldiers. Although the effective range and accuracy are slightly worse than the Mauser 1898 rifle, on the battlefield, this is not a big problem. In fierce battles, maintaining a strong firepower output is the most important thing.

M2 sniper rifle is a special sniper rifle equipped with a scope. If a specially trained sniper uses this sniper rifle, it will become a nightmare for the enemy on the battlefield. Qin Tian is even more aware of how effective an

excellent sniper team can be on the battlefield. Especially in street fighting, the effect will be further revealed.

Wilhelm II was very satisfied after seeing the performance of these firearms of the German Arms Company. There is no doubt that the performance of these firearms is much stronger than what the German Army is currently equipped with, or has not yet been equipped with. Once equipped with the German Army, this will further improve the combat effectiveness of the German Army.

"Oscar, you did a great job. The firearms you have developed are all very good." William II greatly appreciated Qin Tian's achievements.

"Father, this is just the beginning. In addition to these firearms, we have two other weapons that need to be tested by everyone." Qin Tian said.

"Well, let's start!" William II nodded.

The next performance is the mortar. Mortars of three calibers took turns. All of a sudden, the entire range was filled with the sound of gunfire.

Artillery such as mortars have already appeared in the Russo-Japanese War. However, it hasn't gotten everyone's attention yet. In order to let the generals know the performance of the mortars, Qin Tian asked these mortars to shoot at the targets in the trenches when they fired. After seeing the performance of these mortars, many generals were all impressed.

Obviously, this kind of artillery capable of curved fire will pose a deadly threat to the enemies hiding in the trenches. It can even rely on precision strikes to attack the enemy's machine gun firepower points and bunkers and other fortifications. The role of this on the battlefield is undoubtedly very large.

After the mortar, it was the grenadier. This kind of artillery, which is lighter and easier for infantry to carry, also shocked the generals of the army.

Although, the power of the grenade is small, and the range is not far. But for

infantry, it is enough. After all, the distance of infantry combat is often within one or two hundred meters, or even within tens of meters. The range of the grenade is enough to cover it.

"Father, all generals. These weapons are carefully developed by the German Arms Company for infantry. Especially infantry squads and infantry platoons need to be equipped with these weapons. Once our troops are equipped with these weapons, our infantry will Form an overwhelming advantage over the enemy!" Qin Tian said confidently.

Chapter 117: nitpick

In Qin Tian's view, if every infantry squad in the German Army could be equipped with an MG10 squad machine gun, a grenadier, and a sniper rifle, and if the remaining soldiers were equipped with M1 semi-automatic rifles, it would make Germany The army's firepower has reached the level of World War II in another time and space, and it is still top-notch.

In this case, the German Army will have an even greater advantage in the upcoming World War I. Even if the war once again fell into trench warfare, the German Army had enough firepower to crush the trench warfare of the British and French allied forces.

Therefore, Qin Tian couldn't wait to develop these weapons, hoping to equip the German Army as soon as possible. There are still a few years before the war breaks out. If the German Army starts to change its equipment from now on, it will be in time.

"Father, all generals, everyone must be very familiar with the performance of these weapons developed by the German Arms Company. In order for the German Empire to crush Britain, France, Russia and other countries in future wars, I hope that the Army can use German arms The weapons developed by the company will be replaced with the weapons currently equipped by the army, which will further enhance the combat effectiveness of the German

Empire Army." After Qin Tian finished speaking, he looked at the army generals. Qin Tian thought that it was a matter of course that the Army began to change its outfit after this exhibition.

However, Qin Tian soon realized that he seemed to be wrong. All this seems to be very difficult to achieve his goal.

"What do you think of His Highness the Crown Prince's suggestion?" William II looked at the generals of the army. On this issue, even if he is the emperor, it is difficult to directly force the army to accept his orders.

"Your Majesty, Your Royal Highness, the Crown Prince. The weapons developed by the German Armament Company are indeed very good. If the military expenditure permits, I think it should be changed." Minister of War von Falkenhain was the first to express his opinion.

On the one hand, these weapons developed by the German Arms Company are indeed excellent. Once equipped, they can further enhance the strength of the German Army. On the other hand, it was von Falkenhain who actively approached Qin Tian. Von Falkenhain, who had been overwhelmed by little Maoqi all this time, has now turned to Qin Tian in an all-round way in order to pull Xiao Maoqi down, and has become Qin Tian's representative in the army.

The other generals also spoke one after another. However, most of these generals are people who support Qin Tian. Another part is silent. These people are people from Little Moltke, and people who are close to Mauser and Rheinmetall.

Although they have already seen the excellent performance of these weapons of the German Armament Company, they have received the benefits of Mauser and Rheinmetall, so naturally they have to speak for them.

"Your Majesty, if a large-scale refit is carried out, I'm afraid it will cost a lot of money. Your Royal Highness, the weapons developed by the German Armaments Company are of good performance. However, the price may not be low, right?" Deputy Chief of Staff Val General Deze said with a frown.

Qin Tian nodded: "The price of the M1 semi-automatic rifle is almost twice that of the Mauser 1898 rifle."

"Then how much will it cost if a large-scale refit is carried out?" The generals suddenly started talking.

Even William II couldn't help frowning. Although, the standing army of the German Army is only a few hundred thousand people. But once war breaks out, that number will rise to three million or more. This also means that they must purchase enough weapons for storage before the outbreak of war. Such a large amount of money is undoubtedly a huge pressure on Germany, which is already heavily indebted.

"Although the weapons developed by the German Arms Company are good, the price is too expensive. Therefore, I suggest that the army purchase in small batches first, and then reinstall them after the military expenditure is sufficient. Anyway, the current combat effectiveness of the German army is still No. 1 in the world. The advantage in weapons will not be very obvious to us." Little Moqi said.

Qin Tian's face suddenly turned a little ugly. In order to expand its military and prepare for war, Germany's finances can be said to be in deficit year after year. Even if the war broke out, Germany's finances would not improve. It will not even be better until the future Germany wins the war. Can't wait until that time for the German Army to purchase these weapons from the German Arms Company? In that case, wouldn't Qin Tian's painstaking efforts be in vain? The reason why he urged the arms company to develop these weapons as soon as possible is to hope that the German Army can use these weapons to

reduce losses in future wars. After all, Germany has a small population, and every young and middle-aged man is a valuable labor force!

"Your Majesty, the weapons developed by His Royal Highness's munitions company are excellent in performance. However, there is a fatal flaw. That will greatly increase our logistical pressure." A German general said.

Indeed, these weapons and equipment developed by the German Arms

Company have a fast rate of fire and powerful firepower, which means that on
the battlefield, the ammunition that needs to be consumed will increase
exponentially, and this will also greatly increase the logistics force. pressure.

However, Qin Tian doesn't think this is a big problem. If the combat effectiveness of the troops can be further improved, even if the logistical pressure is greatly increased, it is totally worth it.

"The problem of logistical pressure, we can increase logistical personnel and use other methods to solve it. For example, equip more trucks in the logistical force. In this case, it will not cause much problem." Von Farr Ken Hain said.

"The two machine guns developed by the Deutsche Arms Company are both air-cooled machine guns. Compared with water-cooled machine guns, the weight has been reduced and the rate of fire has also been increased. But I noticed that these two machine guns are in continuous use. After shooting, the barrel of the gun is already red. If this is the case, I am afraid that we will not be able to continue firing!" Another general said.

"That's not a problem. We can replace the barrel with a spare barrel as soon as it's worn out. A well-trained machine gunner can change the barrel in seconds." Gustav Krue said Burr.

"However, that will create a gap between shots and create opportunities for the attacking enemy. At the same time, carrying a spare barrel will increase the soldier's load. It is also very unfavorable for the cost, which will further increase our cost of use. 'retorted the army general.

Chapter 118: Small batch facelift

Little Moltke's confidant generals, as well as generals who have received benefits from Mauser and Rheinmetall, have stood up against the weapons and equipment developed by the German Arms Company. They hold on to those disadvantages and continue to exaggerate them, as if if the German Army were to switch to those weapons, not only would its combat effectiveness not be improved, but it would be further weakened.

The faces of these guys made Qin Tian very disgusted, and at the same time, he became more determined in his heart that once he came to power in the future, these guys must be cleaned up. These guys have completely become moths in the German Army. Keeping them will only lead to the decline of the German Army. Qin Tian would absolutely not allow such a situation to happen. He also wants to lead the German Army, win one victory after another, and become the overlord of the planet.

Gustav Krupp looked at Qin Tian anxiously. He never expected such a situation to happen.

Even William II couldn't help but look sideways at it. Obviously, he did not expect so many people in the army to oppose the replacement of these advanced weapons.

"Generals, don't you all turn a blind eye to the excellent performance of these weapons? I am very surprised, what are you thinking." Qin Tian said with a dark face.

A group of generals suddenly became silent. They all saw Qin Tian's face and knew that Qin Tian was unhappy. Of course, they received a lot of benefits. But it doesn't mean they are willing to confront Qin Tian. Especially when Qin Tian's Crown Prince status became more and more stable,

offending Qin Tian meant that once Qin Tian became the emperor of the German Empire, he might not have a good life without them. Therefore, many generals kept silent.

"His Royal Highness, everyone is just discussing the facts. Your Highness doesn't need to oppress everyone with his status." Xiao Maoqi said with a sullen face.

"Your Excellency, Chief of the General Staff, am I just talking about the facts? When did you use your status to suppress people?" Qin Tian replied **** for tat.

Originally, the relationship between Qin Tian and Xiao Maoqi had eased somewhat. But obviously, it was all in vain now. The conflict between the two became acute again.

"Okay, stop arguing, both of you. You are both important leaders of the German Empire, how can you quarrel over these trivial matters?" William II said with a dark face.

Qin Tian and Xiao Maoqi couldn't help but shut their mouths. However, the eyes that looked at each other were obviously full of anger.

Qin Tian has made up his mind that when he takes over, he will definitely replace Little Mao Qi. As for Xiao Maoqi, he was also determined to set up obstacles for Qin Tian. Of course, he has no way to pull Qin Tian from the position of crown prince. However, it shouldn't be a problem to stop Qin Tian step by step and limit Qin Tian's power.

"General Waldsee, what do you think of the new weapons developed by the German Arms Company? Is it necessary for us to carry out a large-scale refit of the army?" Wilhelm II asked.

"Your Majesty, I have to admit that the weapons developed by the German Arms Company are very advanced. If all the army is replaced, our combat

effectiveness will be greatly improved. But, this requires a lot of money. On the other hand, The logistical pressure on the troops will indeed be great. So, I would not recommend a full army refit," General Waldsee said.

Qin Tian and Gustav Krupp's complexions were not so good. Qin Tian's plan was affected, while Gustav Krupp was worried that the German Arms Company would lose money. After all, he and Qin Tian invested huge sums of money in this arms company, and at the same time expended so much energy. If there is a loss, it would be somewhat unacceptable.

King William II nodded, although he really wanted to help Qin Tian on this issue. However, the opinion of the Army cannot be ignored. After all, although the power of the emperor of the German Empire is not small, it can never be compared with the emperor of the Eastern Empire. Their power is still greatly restricted, and there are many things that need to be considered.

"Your Majesty, even if the current finances do not allow us to carry out large-scale refitting of the army's equipment, we can still do a batch refitting first. Replacing part of the equipment every year, in this case, will improve the combat effectiveness of the troops. It would also be of great help," suggested War Secretary von Falkenhain.

"Well, this method is good, let's do it like this!" William II finally made a final decision.

Although Xiao Moqi and others still want to continue to oppose. But William II had already made a decision, and they couldn't say anything more. If you continue to oppose it, it will undoubtedly offend William II. In the situation where the relationship with Qin Tian was already very stiff, if he offended William II again, the consequences would be very serious.

Next, Wilhelm II left. He has given Qin Tian face by coming to this new weapon exhibition. He still has a lot of other affairs to deal with, so naturally it is impossible to stay here for too long.

As for the amount of weapons and equipment the Army wants to purchase, Gustav Krupp went to discuss with General Waldsee. Under the condition that His Majesty the Emperor already had instructions, Gustav Krupp and General Waldsee did not take much time to reach an agreement.

"His Royal Highness, the army promised to purchase 2,000 MG09 general-purpose machine guns, 5,000 MG10 squad machine guns, 5,000 M2 sniper rifles and 20,000 M1 semi-automatic rifles, and 2,000 mortars of various types. I will purchase 3,000 pieces." After reaching an agreement with General Waldsee, Gustav Krupp said to Qin Tian.

Qin Tian nodded: "Although this purchase volume is far from our expectation, it can at least guarantee the normal operation of the factory. Next, let's continue to think of a way!"

Gustav Krupp nodded. Judging from the current situation, it seems that it is very difficult to make a lot of money on the project of the German Arms Company. But Gustav Krupp also knew that there was no way to do it. Who would have expected so many generals to oppose it? He didn't need to think about it and knew that it must be the crazy blockade launched by Mauser and Rheinmetall. This time, it is not bad to be able to get some orders. It's better than being completely rejected by the Army. What's more, Qin Tian is still the crown prince of the German Empire. As his power grows, he will definitely be able to further increase the army's orders in the future.

Chapter 119: Marines

"By the way, Your Royal Highness. Your Excellency Count Tirpitz asked me to tell you that he has gone back to the Admiralty first. Regarding the purchase of our weapons by the Navy, I ask you to go to the Admiralty to talk to him." Gustav ? said Krupp.

Qin Tian nodded. Originally, he put the focus of this exhibition on the army. After all, the Army is the bulk of the procurement of these weapons. There are very few places where the navy can use it. Even if all the navy is refitted, there will not be too many orders.

However, under the circumstances that the army will not purchase these weapons developed by the German Armament Company on a large scale, Qin Tian has to think of other ways. The navy, perhaps, will be a breakthrough.

"It's time to set up the Marine Corps. Once the Marine Corps is established, if we purchase all the weapons from the German Arms Company, we will get more orders. At the same time, the combat effectiveness of the Marine Corps will be very strong. More importantly Yes, this will be an armed force completely on my side." Qin Tian thought secretly.

Today's weapons exhibition touched him greatly. Although he was in the army, he received a lot of support. Especially the Minister of War von Falkenhain made it clear that he supported him. However, it is undeniable that there are still many people who oppose him in the army. Especially the old boy Xiao Moqi. Therefore, if Qin Tian wanted to further expand the military power he controlled, he had to find another way. The establishment of the Marine Corps has undoubtedly become his best choice.

"Mr. Krupp, I will leave the matter of the German Arms Company to you. I will go to the Navy to see if there is any way to further increase our order." Qin Tian said.

"Yes, His Royal Highness the Crown Prince." Gustav Krupp nodded. Although, he thinks this possibility may not be too great. But for the German Arms Company, nothing is better than nothing!

Qin Tian went to the Admiralty by car, while Gustav Krupp began to deploy the next production of the German Armaments Company. For them, this weapons exhibition was undoubtedly unsuccessful. Even, these weapons and equipment have played an excellent performance. However, it is still difficult for them to accept that they have not been able to obtain the huge orders they want.

"Mauser, Rheinmetall, you blocked us, I, Gustav Krupp, remembered this time." Gustav Krupp gritted his teeth and said. If it hadn't been for Mauser and Rheinmetall to stop them with all their strength, maybe the situation would be different.

When Qin Tian arrived at the Admiralty, he was told that Marshal Earl Tirpitz was already waiting for him in his office.

"His Excellency, Crown Prince, congratulations, the German Arms Company is really good, and the weapons developed are really great." Marshal Count Tirpitz said.

"Yes! Your Excellency, Marshal. I also think the weapons we have developed are very good. But unfortunately, they have not been favored by the army, and the orders are very small. I really don't know what those guys are thinking.

"Qin Tian said a little speechlessly.

"Your Highness, don't worry, gold always shines. Although due to the obstruction of certain people and forces, the Deutsche Arms Company has not received many orders. But I believe that the future prospects of the Deutsche Arms Company will be very optimistic. After all, once war breaks

out, the demand for advanced weapons will greatly increase." Marshal Earl Tirpitz said.

Qin Tian shook his head: "Your Excellency, Marshal, I understand what you mean. However, I don't want that to happen. Obviously, we can gain an overwhelming advantage with our advanced weapons and obtain the final victory on the battlefield at the lowest cost." Victory, but why let those soldiers die? The population of Germany is not large. The life of every soldier is precious. I sincerely hope that in this war, we can kill fewer people of."

Marshal Earl Tirpitz understood what Qin Tian meant, but he could do nothing about it. Although he has a high position and authority, the army is out of his control! Marshal Earl Tirpitz also knew that with little Moltke around, it was almost impossible to change the army's costumes on a large scale.

"Xiao Maoqi, as long as I am in power, it will be the day you step down!" Qin Tian thought secretly.

He clearly remembered that in another time and space, the reason why little Mao Qi stepped down was because the German offensive on the Western Front could not break through and fell into a stalemate, and the casualties of the troops continued to rise, which made Kaiser Wilhelm II Lost confidence in Little Maoqi. Qin Tian didn't want to replace Maoqi after reaching that step. In that case, it will be too late.

"Your Highness, this is a purchase order from the Navy. Although most officers and soldiers of the Navy are on board, they rarely use rifles. But our troops guarding the naval base still need to be equipped with these weapons." Marshal Count Tirpitz Handed a document to Qin Tian.

Qin Tian nodded, took it, glanced at it, and said nothing more. There are not many orders given by the navy, which is determined by the actual situation of the navy. In fact, there are already quite a few orders from Marshal Earl

Tirpitz. Qin Tian knew that it was Earl Tirpitz and Marshal who was trying to help him.

"Your Excellency, Marshal, I have a proposal." Qin Tian put the document away and said.

"Please tell me, Your Highness!" Marshal Count Tirpitz also wanted to know what kind of whimsy Qin Tian had.

"Your Excellency the Marshal, the main force of the navy is undoubtedly the surface ships. However, we cannot deny that the navy cannot have ground troops. I think that the navy can establish a marine corps specifically for landing. In the future During the war, it was used as the first wave of landing troops to open up a landing field for crossing the sea, so as to reduce the casualties of the army during the landing operations as much as possible."

Qin Tian confessed his thoughts.

Marshal Earl Tirpitz's eyes immediately brightened. If the navy can have a marine corps, it would be the best. This will further enhance the influence of the navy. Of course, Marshal Earl Tirpitz also knew what Qin Tian meant, and it was nothing more than to expand his control over military power and increase the orders of the German Arms Company.

"His Royal Highness, this is a good idea. However, this may cause a strong reaction from the army." Marshal Count Tirpitz was a little worried.

"We can make it clear that the purpose of this force is to land operations. At the same time, we can build a division or a brigade first. In this case, the rebound should not be too big."

Chapter 120: Advice (for collection)

Marshal Earl Tirpitz was very moved by Qin Tian's proposal to form a marine corps for the navy. If the navy can have a ground combat force, it will

further enhance the strength of the navy. In many cases, there is no need to look at Lu Jun's face anymore.

There will be more or less conflicts between the army and navy of a country. It's just that the magnitude of the contradictions is different. Similar to Germany, the contradiction between the army and the navy is not too big, but it still exists. There are also countries where the conflict between the army and the navy is so great that it seems that they are mortal enemies, and they can put hatred before national interests, just like Japan*.

"His Royal Highness, I and the generals of the navy undoubtedly support the formation of the Marine Corps. However, it is not easy to really do it." Marshal Count Tirpitz said with a serious face.

All along, ground forces are under the control of the Army. If the navy wants to break this practice, one can imagine how big the army's reaction will be. Even, it will trigger a new round of conflicts between the navy and the army.

The navy has been building warships frantically during this period, which has tilted military expenditures to the navy, and the army is already very dissatisfied with this. If the navy tries to form its own ground forces, the contradictions will probably be even greater.

"Your Excellency Marshal, even if it is difficult, we still have to push forward. Once successful, this will be a huge success for the navy." Qin Tian said.

Marshal Earl Tirpitz nodded: "Well, let's go to the palace first and report to His Majesty. It would be great if we can get His Majesty's support. In that case, even if the army objects, we will be able to deal with it." ."

"Hmm!" Qin Tian didn't have any opinion on this.

Marshal Earl Tirpitz was already highly valued by William II, and with the opinion of his crown prince, the possibility of William II's opposition would not be too high.

It was nearly noon, and after a simple lunch, Marshal Earl Tirpitz and Qin Tian rushed to the palace to report to William II the idea of establishing the Marine Corps, hoping to win the support of William II.

At this time, William II was preparing for a lunch break, but Qin Tian and Marshal Earl Tirpitz came together, so he could only cancel this lunch break.

"Your Majesty, the Navy has a plan that I hope can be approved by Your Majesty." Marshal Earl Tirpitz said straight to the point.

"Huh? What plan?" William II asked. Now, the imperial navy is booming, seeing that it is not far from the British navy, which makes William II very happy. He often turns a blind eye to various plans of the navy, as long as they are not too far away. No trouble, they will be approved directly.

"Your Majesty, according to the current development speed of the navy, the possibility of us defeating the British in future wars is very high. Therefore, we need to prepare for this in advance. Once our navy defeats the British, if the British If we still refuse to surrender, but continue to be our enemy, we may have to consider landing in the British mainland to fight." Marshal Earl Tirpitz said.

Landing in the UK to fight? William II couldn't help but his eyes lit up.

Landing in the UK is the dream of many European countries! However, even Napoleon the Great, who dominated Europe at the beginning, failed. If Germany can do it, isn't he more powerful than Napoleon the Great? William II was undoubtedly very interested in this.

"Is the navy really sure of defeating the Royal Navy?" William II asked. Although William II has always regarded this as a goal and knows that the navy is developing rapidly, he still has some doubts about it.

"Your Majesty, it is impossible to be completely sure. However, we are at least 60% sure that we can defeat the British!" Marshal Earl Tirpitz said.

"60% sure, that's not low." William II nodded, very satisfied with this.

"So, Your Majesty, we think that we must prepare for the future landing operations in the UK after defeating the British navy." Marshal Earl Tirpitz continued.

"What are you going to do?" William II asked. Even at this time, he has not guessed what the navy is going to do.

"We plan to establish a force specially tailored for landing operations, the Marine Corps. They will conduct special landing warfare training and be equipped with special landing warfare equipment. In this way, once an attack on the British mainland is required, , they will be able to seize the beachhead as the first wave of attacking troops." Marshal Count Tirpitz said.

"Marines?" William II frowned tightly. It was beyond his expectations that the Navy wanted to build such a force.

Of course, William II knew that this was very helpful for enhancing the strength of the navy. But in the same way, the Army will definitely not agree, or even strongly oppose it.

"Oscar, what do you think?" William II asked.

"Father, I think it is very necessary for the navy to establish a marine corps. Landing battles, especially when landing on the beach, often cause the greatest casualties. Once we defeat the Royal Navy, the British will definitely use it to defend their homeland. The local defense construction is like an iron

barrel. At that time, if an inexperienced army is dispatched to launch a landing operation, the corpses of the soldiers will fill the entire beach, and the blood will stain the sea red. We must try our best Avoid such a situation as much as possible. The life of every German boy is precious and cannot be wasted like that." Qin Tian said.

King William II had to admit that what Qin Tian said made sense. He also doesn't want to see dead bodies strewn across the fields when the German army invades the British mainland in the future. It's just that it's really good to let the Navy break the convention and build a Marine Corps? William II was a little undecided.

Of course, Wilhelm II could see it. Marshal Earl Tirpitz proposed to establish the Marine Corps, which might be Qin Tian's idea. In the morning, Lu Jun refused to carry out a large-scale change of clothes, which angered Qin Tian. Now Qin Tian simply showed Lu Lu a little more power.

To be honest, William II was not too satisfied with the performance of Little Moltke and the army generals in the morning. It's just that Little Mao Qi is also the person he trusts the most, so he can't say much.