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With the help of the fleet, the 1st Division of the German Marine Corps occupied the entire Bermuda Islands in just half a day. Moreover, the Bermuda Islands were occupied at a small cost. This undoubtedly shows that the new landing tactics adopted by the German Marine Corps are very successful. Even, such tactics can also be applied to the landing in North America in the future.

However, the successful occupation of Bermuda is only the first step. It was a long way from turning Bermuda into a bridgehead for a German attack on North America.

After the German army occupied Bermuda, it was necessary to deploy more troops and build more military facilities on the island. As more construction machinery is transported to the island, the German army will start large-scale construction on the island. Re-build air defense positions and radar stations on the islands, expand airports, coastal defense fortresses, build various defensive positions, and so on.

The Americans will definitely not give up on the German army's capture of Bermuda. If the German Navy can hit the U.S. Navy in one fell swoop, or even destroy the U.S. Navy. The Americans have not yet been able to retaliate against Bermuda. But if the German Navy's attack does not go well, then the U.S. Navy will definitely attack Bermuda. This made it necessary for the German army to deploy sufficient troops on the Bermuda Islands and build sufficient fortifications to withstand the attack of the US military.

However, in a short period of time, the defense of Bermuda has to be handed over to the German Navy. With their existence, it is almost impossible for the United States to send troops to land on Bermuda.

When the German navy attacked Bermuda and the German marines landed in Bermuda, the U.S. government was still in a meeting. The main force of the German navy appeared in Bermuda and launched an attack, which undoubtedly caught them by surprise.

"Gentlemen, what should we do now? The main force of our navy and the main force of the British navy are concentrated in the north. Should we let them go south and fight the German navy?" President Roosevelt asked.

"Your Excellency, it will take at least two days for our fleet and the British Navy to go south to the Bermuda Islands. During this time, the Germans must have occupied the Bermuda Islands. In addition, those who appear in the waters near the Bermuda Islands must It is the main force of the German navy. Even if we join hands with the British navy, it will be very difficult to defeat the main force of the German navy there." Admiral Harold Stark said.

There is no doubt that after the German navy occupied Bermuda, it could rely on it to wait for work and fight a decisive battle with the US and British fleets. Even the German fleet that appeared in the southeastern waters of Greenland will participate in this decisive battle. At that time, the US and British fleets will face the enemy. In such a decisive battle at sea, it is undoubtedly very difficult for the US and British fleets to win.

"Are we just sitting back and watching Bermuda fall into the hands of the Germans? Once the Germans build a large number of military facilities on the Bermuda Islands, they can even turn Bermuda Islands into a military base. At that time, the Germans can directly from Bermuda Islands Take off heavy bombers to attack our homeland. That will be a disaster for us!" Admiral Marshall said.

President Roosevelt's face also became very serious. Although the United States lost in this war at an early stage. However, for the American people, perhaps because the bomb did not fall on their heads, they can still bear it. However, once the German Air Force uses the Bermuda Islands to send heavy bombers to bomb the continental United States, the consequences will be very serious. At that time, the entire American society will be in turmoil. Even, even the rule of the government will be affected by this.

"In any case, the Germans cannot be allowed to build the Bermuda Islands into a bridgehead to attack us!" President Roosevelt said firmly.

"Yes, Your Excellency the President." Everyone replied.

However, although they already know President Roosevelt's determination. But they had no concrete idea of how to stop the Germans, or how to retake Bermuda.

"Your Excellency, the heavy shelling by the Germans and the ensuing battle will destroy all the military installations on the Bermuda Islands. In this case, it will not be so easy for the Germans to build Bermuda into a military base. A long time. We still have plenty of time to stop the Germans," said U.S. Army Air Corps commander General Henry Arnold.

President Roosevelt nodded: "That is indeed the case. However, the current situation is still very unfavorable to us. Therefore, we need to do our best to stop the Germans."

"Your Excellency, there is only one way to stop the Germans, and that is to defeat the German navy. As long as we can defeat the German navy, then we can calmly assemble our forces and retake the Bermuda Islands." Secretary of the Navy Frank Nock S said.

Others nodded again and again. Indeed, if the German Navy can be defeated, then all crises can be resolved. However, everyone is also very clear that it is not an easy task to defeat the German Navy. Especially when the U.S. Navy has suffered heavy losses, even with the addition of the British Navy, their chances of winning are very small.

"General Stark, is the Navy confident of winning this battle?" President Roosevelt asked.

Now, President Roosevelt can be said to have put all his hopes on the Navy.

"Your Excellency, I have to admit that this is very difficult." Admiral Harold Stark said with a wry smile.

President Roosevelt thought for a while, and then said: "I don't make any restrictions on how to fight this battle. I only hope that the Navy can do its best to defeat the Germans."

Admiral Harold Stark thought for a while, then nodded: "Your Excellency, the navy will do its best. However, I will have further discussions with the generals of the navy on how to fight. We will In the shortest possible time, it was reported to His Excellency the President."

"Very good, General Stark, I believe the Navy will defeat the Germans and win. God will bless us!" President Roosevelt said.

"Your Excellency, the Germans have occupied the entire Bermuda Islands." Suddenly, President Roosevelt's secretary entered the office and reported to them.

Chapter 1622

"What? The Germans have taken Bermuda?"

"How is this possible? It's only been a few hours. How can the Germans move so fast?"

"Could it be that our garrison in Bermuda has reached the point of being vulnerable?"

Including President Roosevelt, a group of people have been completely shocked.

After learning that the German army had launched an attack on Bermuda, they knew very well that losing Bermuda was inevitable without the support of the navy and a serious shortage of troops. However, they did not expect that Bermuda would be lost so quickly. Obviously, the strength of the German army's landing operations is far greater than they expected!

"What's going on? How did the Germans occupy Bermuda so quickly? Did the defenders on the island choose to surrender to the Germans instead of resisting the Germans?" President Roosevelt asked.

"Your Excellency, according to the telegram sent back by the defenders of the Bermuda Islands. Before the Germans launched the landing operation, they dispatched a large number of warships to launch fierce shelling on the military installations on the island. Under the heavy shelling of the Germans, not only our personnel Heavy losses. A large number of military facilities were also destroyed by the Germans. This greatly affected our combat power. The Germans used a large number of helicopters in the subsequent landing operations. At the same time, from the air and The Bermuda Islands launched an attack on the sea. In addition, the Germans have an absolute advantage in terms of military strength. It is precisely because of this that we were defeated by the Germans so quickly." The secretary said.

President Roosevelt frowned tightly. Obviously, the attack method adopted by the Germans surprised him.

The same is true for other high-level military officials. During the landing operation on Bermuda, the German army adopted a new type of combat method, which achieved success in one fell swoop.

"Your Excellency, it seems that the Germans are stronger than we expected. They adopted new tactics during the landing operations. This makes us have to be more vigilant in the following operations." Admiral Marshall said .

President Roosevelt nodded: "The Germans used a large number of helicopters in landing operations, which is indeed beyond our expectations. I hope our troops will be prepared for this. If one day, the Germans launch a landing in North America. We must be able to deal with their way of landing operations and defeat them in one fell swoop!"

"Yes, Your Excellency the President!" A group of generals replied one after another.

Then, the meeting ends. The navy and army, as well as the army air force, began to plan counterattacks. Especially the navy, they bear the heavy responsibility of defeating the German navy in one fell swoop. Because this task is very difficult for the US Navy. It is precisely because of this that the pressure on the US Navy is undoubtedly greater.

When Admiral Harold Stark returned to the Navy to prepare, Fleet Commander James Richardson and Deputy Commander Admiral Nimitz were already waiting for him in the office.

"General, it seems that this time we have once again been fooled by the Germans. The Germans are too cunning. They transferred our main force away from the east coast, and then launched an attack on Bermuda, which made us If you are caught off guard, you will never be able to guard against it!" Admiral James Richardson sighed.

The strength of the U.S. Navy has been hit hard, and it is already far inferior to the German Navy. Under such circumstances, they fell into the conspiracy of the Germans, which undoubtedly put the U.S. Navy in an even more disadvantaged position.

"Yes, gentlemen. The current situation is very unfavorable to us. The latest news just received is that the Germans have occupied Bermuda." Admiral Harold Stark said.

Admiral James Richardson and Admiral Nimitz couldn't help being taken aback, this was the first time they heard the news.

"God! How can the Germans move so fast?" James? Richardson asked.

"The Germans adopted new tactics during the landing operations. They dispatched a large number of helicopters to cooperate with the landing forces. They even directly used helicopters to carry out airborne landings. In addition, our defenders on the Bermuda Islands were seriously insufficient, which made us quickly They were defeated." Admiral Harold Stark said.

Admiral James Richardson and Admiral Nimitz both became more dignified.

"Gentlemen, after the Germans occupy the Bermuda Islands, this will pose a great threat to our homeland. Your Excellency the President hopes that we can retake the Bermuda Islands." Admiral Harold Stark said.

"General, I'm afraid this will be very difficult. Unless we can defeat the German Navy!" Admiral Nimitz said with a serious face.

"Yes, General Nimitz. Your Excellency the President also hopes that we can defeat the German Navy in one fell swoop in this battle!" Admiral Harold Stark continued.

James? General Richardson and General Nimitz couldn't help laughing bitterly. From their point of view, this is almost impossible.

"Gentlemen, is there no chance at all?" Harold Stark Admiral asked.

Admiral Nimitz hesitated for a moment, and then said: "General, according to the intelligence analysis obtained so far, it is the German home fleet that appeared in Greenland. The German Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet appeared in Bermuda. With our current strength, it is undoubtedly very difficult to defeat the German navy. However, if we combine the strength of our and the British navy, we still have a great chance of defeating the German fleet in one direction."

Harold? Stark Admiral suddenly brightened.

"General, if we can unite with the British to defeat or even eliminate the German Navy's home fleet first, then we will be able to occupy a great advantage in this battle. At that time, the fleet will go south and compete with the German Navy. The decisive battle between the Atlantic Fleet and the Mediterranean Fleet will defeat them in one fell swoop. If we can win, it will be very easy to win the Bermuda Islands. Even, we can reverse the situation in the Atlantic Ocean in one fell swoop and regain our advantage in the Atlantic Ocean." Admiral Miz continued.

"Okay, very good, this is indeed a good opportunity for us to turn defeat into victory. The Germans dispersed their forces, which of course made us fooled. But at the same time, this also gives us a chance to defeat them one by one. If we can succeed, then we will be able to turn defeat into victory!" Admiral Harold Stark said happily.

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After Admiral Nimitz proposed the plan concept, the combat staff of the U.S. Naval Operations Department completed the entire combat plan in just two hours.

After that, Admiral Harold Stark immediately rushed to the White House to report to President Roosevelt.

Although President Roosevelt was not from a military background, he served as Assistant Secretary of the Navy. The navy's combat plan is still very clear.

"General Stark, this is indeed a very good plan. If it succeeds, it can completely turn our defeat into victory and change the balance of power between the two sides in the Atlantic Ocean in one fell swoop!" A trace of excitement flashed across President Roosevelt's face.

For the current United States, their situation is very dangerous. The Germans have come to their door step by step. If the Germans can no longer be stopped, then the Germans will land in North America soon. This is undoubtedly unacceptable for the United States. They must do everything possible to keep the Germans out of North America and prevent the flames of war from burning on their homeland.

"Your Excellency, the Germans are too proud and conceited. They defeated us in the Azores naval battle and severely injured us, so they thought they could completely suppress us. But now we still have the power to fight. The Germans Dispersing our forces will undoubtedly give us a chance to turn defeat into victory." Admiral Harold Stark said.

"General Stark, is this plan likely to succeed?" President Roosevelt asked.

"Your Excellency, with our main force and that of the British Navy, it is not very difficult to defeat the German Navy's home fleet. As long as we can severely damage or even destroy the German Navy's home fleet, then we will regain the power to fully compete with the German Navy Even if we cannot completely defeat the German Navy, then we will have much more room to maneuver in the Atlantic Ocean." Admiral Harold Stark replied.

President Roosevelt nodded: "Very good, General Stark, follow your plan and implement it! I hope you can bring a brilliant victory to the United States of America!"

"Yes, Your Excellency the President." Admiral Harold Stark said.

Although the failure of the Azores naval battle caused heavy losses to the US Navy. However, that didn't make them give up hope. The U.S. Navy still has great confidence in the next battle. They believe that they will not fail again and again. As long as one victory can be obtained, there is a chance of a comeback.

"Your Excellency, the Germans may have already prepared for this. They will not show such obvious flaws. Therefore, it may be very difficult for us to defeat the Germans." Admiral Marshall reminded.

President Roosevelt and Admiral Harold Stark couldn't help but nodded when they heard the words. They have to admit that Germany is a very strong opponent. It is not so easy to defeat the German navy. Since the German navy dared to divide its forces, they must have corresponding strategies.

"Then what should we do? The Germans now have an advantage. After they occupy Bermuda, if we don't want to fight back, it will only further expand the Germans' advantage. For us, will be even more unfavorable." Admiral Harold Stark said.

Admiral Marshall nodded. Indeed, the German Navy is gaining a greater advantage step by step in the Atlantic Ocean. This is very, very detrimental to the U.S. Navy and the United States as a whole. If the Germans continue like this, they will soon launch a landing directly on North America. And once the powerful German Army landed in North America. If the United States wants to resist the German attack, I am afraid it will have to pay a greater price.

"Your Excellency, General Stark. With the strength of our navy and the British Navy, we are not the opponents of the three major fleets of the German Navy. However, if we can separate the three major fleets of the German Navy and fight on their own. Then we The Navy will have a great chance of winning." Admiral Marshall said.

"Yes, General Marshall. The German navy is now scattered. However, their three major fleets can be further assembled. This is a threat to us." Admiral Harold Stark said.

"Then, we will create pressure on the Germans so that their Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet can only stay in the waters near Bermuda. This will create opportunities for our fleet to defeat the German Navy's home fleet." Admiral Marshall said.

"General Marshall, do you mean to launch an attack on the Bermuda Islands? But we simply don't have the power to launch an attack on the Bermuda Islands now." Admiral Harold Stark frowned.

"If the Marine Corps lands forcibly without the guarantee of sea control, it is nothing more than courting death. And our shore-based SBD2 dive bombers and TBD torpedo attack aircraft have no way to threaten the Bermuda Islands because of their range."

The maximum range of the SBD2 dive bomber is only 1,700 kilometers, and the maximum range of the TBD torpedo attack aircraft is only more than 1,100 kilometers. The Bermuda Islands are more than 900 kilometers away from the continental United States. Although the maximum range of these two aircrafts can ensure that they can fly to the Bermuda Islands, but how to return after going there? We can't let these pilots carry out suicide attacks without return. If the U.S. military dared to issue such an order, those pilots would probably reject it immediately.

"General Stark, I know. So, the attack on Bermuda is done by the Army Air Force. We can dispatch P-51 fighter jets, **** B-17 heavy bombers, and launch an attack on Bermuda. Necessary Sometimes, we can even dispatch airborne troops to carry out airborne landing in Bermuda. In this way, the German navy can be dragged to the waters near Bermuda. The navy needs to launch an attack quickly, and strive to severely damage or even destroy the German navy in the shortest possible time. Fleet," said Admiral Marshall.

Admiral Harold Stark nodded heavily. If the Army Air Force launched an attack, the German Navy's Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet might not be able to go anywhere. In this case, enough time can be bought for the US and British fleets. Of course, it is conceivable that the Army Air Force will inevitably face crazy interception by the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft during combat. At that time, their losses will definitely not be small.

"General Marshall, thank the Army for its support. We will definitely do our best to defeat the Germans!" Admiral Harold Stark said solemnly.

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President Roosevelt nodded in satisfaction after listening to the conversation between Admiral Marshall and Admiral Harold Stark. In the face of national crisis, the army and navy can let go of their prejudices and join forces to fight against the enemy. This is undoubtedly a great progress.

"Very good, generals. Although our enemy is very powerful, I believe that as long as everyone works together, it is entirely possible for us to defeat a powerful enemy!" President Roosevelt said.

"Yes, Your Excellency the President!" Admiral Marshall and Harold Stark replied.

Afterwards, President Roosevelt personally summoned General Henry Arnold, commander of the Army Air Force, and asked him to send Army Air Force fighter planes to attack Bermuda.

"Your Excellency, the Army Air Corps has long been ready and can launch an attack at any time!" Admiral Marshall had already talked with Admiral Henry Arnold about this time. Therefore, Admiral Henry Arnold was not surprised by this. In addition, the Army Air Force also wants to prove its strength in such a war. This made Admiral Henry Arnold look forward to this attack very much.

"General Arnold, can our heavy bombers deal with the German fleet?" President Roosevelt asked suddenly.

If heavy bombers can be used to destroy German ships, this will play a great role in weakening the strength of the German navy. At that time, the possibility of the U.S. Navy defeating the German Navy will undoubtedly be even greater.

"Your Excellency, this is probably very difficult. Although heavy bombers can carry a large number of bombs, even heavy aviation armor-piercing shells. However, the hit rate of the bombs is not very high. This is especially true for targets on the sea. .Warships on the sea are moving at high speed, and the hit rate of dive bombers will be much higher. Heavy bombers can only conduct horizontal bombing, and the hit rate will be very low. Unless the German ships are stationary on the sea. Otherwise If you want to hit the German ship, it is almost impossible." Admiral Henry Arnold said.

President Roosevelt nodded, and he also knew that he was thinking too much.

"Well, General Arnold, it's up to you! As long as the Army Air Corps can continue to bomb the Bermuda Islands, the Germans will not be able to build airports and other military facilities on the islands, and Bermuda will not be able to The archipelago has been built into a huge military base, and it will no longer be able to threaten our homeland." President Roosevelt said.

"Yes, Your Excellency the President." Admiral Henry Arnold said.

After receiving the order personally issued by President Roosevelt, the U.S. Army Air Forces immediately acted. A large number of P-51 fighter jets and B-17 heavy bombers began to gather at coastal airports.

Among the various aircraft equipped by the U.S. Army Air Force, only these two aircrafts have a combat radius that can include Bermuda. As for

other planes, they are often only able to fly to Bermuda, but there is not enough fuel for the return flight.

At six o'clock in the morning on October 17th, the sky just dawned. Various airports in the eastern United States have long been busy. A huge B-17 heavy bomber has been refueled with the efforts of the ground crew. All the heavy aerial bombs have also been placed in the magazines. As long as these heavy bombers fly over the Bermuda Islands, they can drop bombs. At that time, the dense bombs will be enough to make the German army on Bermuda pay a heavy price.

You must know that the maximum range of these B-17 heavy bombers can reach 3,000 kilometers, which is completely capable of including Bermuda within its combat radius. At the same time, the sturdy body and the bomb load of up to eight tons have earned it the reputation of a sky fortress.

The U.S. Army Air Force assembled a large number of B-17 heavy bombers for this plan. At more than a dozen large airports in the eastern United States, the U.S. Army Air Force has assembled more than 300 B-17 heavy bombers. And there are as many as 500 P-51 fighter jets escorting it.

This is undoubtedly a very large scale. Although, the number of B-17 heavy bombers equipped by the U.S. Army Air Forces is as many as thousands. The number of P-51 fighter jets is more than a thousand. And it is still producing these aircraft at full capacity. But it is undoubtedly amazing to invest so many heavy bombers and fighter jets in one operation.

"Are the airports ready?" Admiral Henry Arnold asked.

Admiral Henry Arnold attached great importance to this operation. This was the first large-scale operation of the U.S. Army Air Corps after it became an army. Although, their enemy is the brutal German Navy carrier-based aircraft force. But Admiral Henry Arnold is still full of confidence in this

operation. He believes that the U.S. Army Air Forces can achieve significant results in this battle.

The carrier-based aircraft force of the German Navy is very powerful. It can be seen from the previous naval battle of the Azores that the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft force completely crushed the US Navy's carrier-based aircraft force. However, the strength of the U.S. Army Air Forces is even stronger. The P-51 fighter not only has a long range, but is also fast, and its performance in all aspects can be called a world-class fighter. Even against the FW-190 fighter jets of the German Navy, it did not lose at all. Of course, the pilots of the U.S. Army Air Corps are inferior in quality to the elite German Navy carrier-based pilots. But as long as they go through the baptism of **** battles, they can grow into elite pilots.

The B-17 heavy bomber has a solid body structure, even if it is attacked, it is not easy to be shot down. Especially the aviation machine gun, the damage caused to this heavy bomber is very limited. Even if it is riddled with holes, as long as the key parts are not destroyed, it can still continue to fly. In addition, the B-17 heavy bomber also has self-defense firepower consisting of as many as 13 12.7mm aviation machine guns. It is not so easy for the enemy's fighter jets to break through the dense anti-aircraft firepower and shoot down the US military's B-17 heavy bomber. It is precisely because of this that Admiral Henry Arnold is full of confidence in this operation of the US Army Air Corps.

"General, all our heavy bombers and **** fighters are ready!" the adjutant reported.

"Then, let all the aircraft take off in ten minutes!" Admiral Henry Arnold issued an order.

"Yes, General."

At 6:15 in the morning, the B-17 heavy bomber of the US Army Air Forces took the lead. After the three hundred B-17 heavy bombers took off, the P-51 fighter jets took off one after another.

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In the sky, the huge B-17 heavy bombers formed squadrons as units. One after another, the fleets continued, covering the sky and the sun, as if covering the rising sun, leaving a large shadow on the ground.

These B-17 heavy bombers, after completing the formation, began to climb and climbed to an altitude of 10,000 meters. At this altitude, the air is thin, and the performance of the fighter will be affected considerably. Bombers can withstand possible dangers under the protection of self-defense firepower.

P-51 fighter jets are scattered above and around these B-17 heavy bomber fleets to provide **** for them.

Although, these pilots are very clear that what they will face is the elite carrier-based aircraft force of the German Navy, and they also know that once they confront the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft force, they may pay heavy casualties. However, they are not afraid. Where there is war, there will inevitably be casualties. In order to defend their country, even if blood is spilled on the battlefield, what is there? As soldiers, this is their duty.

"God! Please bless these warriors and let them return safely!" Admiral Henry Arnold was at the airport, watching the huge fleet leave, praying devoutly to God.

They all know very well how powerful the enemy they are going to face is. Therefore, you don't need to think about it, the U.S. Army Air Forces will not lose much in this operation. However, even if this is the case, it must continue. On the one hand, the United States does not want Germany to successfully build Bermuda into a huge military base. On the other hand, these pilots of the US Army Air Force also need to experience the baptism of war. Only in this way can we fight against more powerful enemies in future wars.

The B-17 heavy bomber flies at a cruising speed of 273 kilometers per hour, and it takes three and a half hours to fly from the east coast of the United States to Bermuda. If it is a P-51 fighter, it only takes less than an hour and a half.

On the Bermuda Islands, the 1st Division of the German Marine Corps has begun building these islands after occupying the entire Bermuda Islands. A large number of construction machinery was transported to the island. In addition to the officers and soldiers on air defense alert, other soldiers also joined in. They began to clean up the ruins on the island, fill in the bomb craters on the runway, and prepare for the arrival of naval or air force fighter planes.

In addition, the airport on the island also needs to be expanded. Or build more airports on flat terrain. In the future, the German navy and air force will use the Bermuda Islands as an important sea and air base and a forward position for attacking the United States. This will allow the German navy and air force to park a large number of fighters here. Not only will there be naval dive bombers, torpedo attack aircraft, etc., to ensure that the archipelago will not be

threatened by the US Navy. Long-range fighter jets and heavy bombers would also be deployed to launch attacks on the continental United States.

A series of auxiliary military facilities, such as anti-aircraft positions, radar stations, air-raid shelters and gun-proof caves, etc., are also being urgently built.

In the waters south of Bermuda, eight aircraft carriers of the German Navy's Atlantic Fleet are assembled here. Although in yesterday's battle, these aircraft carriers and carrier-based aircraft did not show up. However, they knew very well that in the next battle, it was time for them to show their talents. On the deck of every aircraft carrier are parked fighter jets that have completed preparations for takeoff.

After the naval battle of the Azores, the German Navy's carrier-based fighters have all been replaced with carrier-based FW-190 fighters. The carrier-based BF-109 fighter has little advantage against the F4U fighter of the US Navy. It is even more difficult to deal with the P-47 fighter jets or P-51 fighter jets of the US Army Air Forces. In order to strengthen the combat effectiveness of the navy, the German Navy urgently carried out a facelift, using powerful carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets to deal with the U.S. Navy and Army Air Force.

"How is the air defense preparation on the island going?" Admiral Rolf Karls asked.

"General, the air defense units of the 1st Marine Corps Division have completed their deployment. However, their strength is still too weak. Once the Americans launch a large-scale bombing of the Bermuda Islands, they may not be able to resist. We need to It is only necessary to deploy more intensive anti-aircraft firepower on the island. In this way, after our main force leaves this sea area, they can rely on their own strength to resist the American bombing." Lieutenant General George Friedberg Said.

Admiral Rolf Karls nodded: "When will the follow-up air defense force go ashore?"

"General, it is expected to go ashore in two days. The new air search radar will also be reestablished and start operating within two days."

"Then, we can leave in two days. Marshal Lütjens may be under a lot of pressure. If the U.S. Navy and the British Navy don't go south to attack us, they must go to attack the home fleet. said Admiral Rolf Karls.

"General, as long as the local fleet continues to evacuate, the Americans and the British will have nothing to do with them." Lieutenant General George Friedberg said.

"But in that case, it would be impossible for us to destroy the US Navy and the British Navy. Therefore, we can't waste too much time here." Admiral Rolf Karls said.

Taking Bermuda is just the first step. Next, they need to severely damage the U.S. Navy and the British Navy, or even annihilate them in one fell swoop.

In the sea area about 100 kilometers west of Bermuda, a light cruiser of the German Navy is cruising in this sea area. The air search radar on the ship is running, detecting the surrounding airspace.

In order to improve the warning time, both the Atlantic Fleet and the Mediterranean Fleet of the German Navy dispatched some light cruisers and destroyers to the waters west of Bermuda to provide early warning for the fleet.

"Dididi!"

The air defense alarm sounded, and the air search radar immediately alerted after detecting a huge fleet.

"Immediately send a telegram to the flagship, and the Americans have dispatched a large fleet!" The captain of the light cruiser ordered.

"Woo!"

On the "Zeus" aircraft carrier, a mournful air defense siren sounded.

"General, our battleship has spotted the American fleet, 400 kilometers away from Bermuda!"

"Take off the carrier-based aircraft to meet the enemy immediately!" Admiral Rolf Karls ordered.

Three minutes later, the first carrier-based FW-190 fighter jet took off from the USS Zeus aircraft carrier.

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"Phew!"

Almost every few seconds, a carrier-based FW-190 fighter jet takes off from the aircraft carrier. Especially those "Lord God-class" aircraft carriers all adopt a beveled design. When necessary, these fighters can even take off from two runways.

The Atlantic Fleet of the German Navy has eight aircraft carriers, namely four "Lord-class" aircraft carriers and four "Constellation-class" aircraft carriers. On the "Lord God-class" aircraft carrier, plus spare aircraft, there are a total of 120 carrier-based aircraft, 40 fighter jets, dive bombers, and torpedo attack aircraft. The "Constellation-class" aircraft carrier, plus spare aircraft, carried a total of 103 carrier-based aircraft, including 39 fighter jets, 38 dive bombers and 26 torpedo attack aircraft.

After the German Marine Corps captured Bermuda, the German Navy was on guard against the bombing of the US Navy. Therefore, the deck of every aircraft carrier is full of carrier-based fighter jets ready to take off.

After discovering that the US fighter planes were coming, these aircraft carriers responded immediately. One after another, carrier-based fighter jets took off, preparing to intercept the U.S. aircraft fleet.

"General, the Americans are making a massive attack this time! According to reports, the number of fighter planes dispatched by the Americans is probably close to a thousand. A large part of them are heavy bombers, and the rest are fighter jets." George Fred Lieutenant General Berg had a serious face.

Although, Germany has long regarded the United States as Germany's biggest opponent. The German generals also thought so. However, now the Americans have dispatched nearly a thousand combat aircraft in a single action. Such strength, apart from Germany, I am afraid that only the United States can easily come up with it.

Admiral Rolf Karls nodded: "The American navy planes cannot directly pose a threat to the Bermuda Islands due to the range. Therefore, the planes that took off should all be from the U.S. Army Air Forces." According to the information we have obtained, among the combat aircraft equipped by the U.S. Army Air Corps, only P-51 fighter jets and B-17 heavy bombers can attack Bermuda Islands. They can certainly bomb Bermuda Islands, but for our ships If you say it, there won't be too much threat. In the worst case, we will fight with them to consume it. I want to see how many planes and pilots they have to consume under our interception!"

Indeed, if the German Navy strengthens its defense of Bermuda, this battle will turn into a war of attrition, and the bombers and long-range fighters of the US Army Air Force will be lost under the interception of the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft force. heavy. Even, once the expansion of Germany's airport on Bermuda is completed and put into use. The German Navy and Air Force can deploy more fighters here, causing the US Army Air Force to pay more losses.

In order to intercept the attack of the U.S. Army Air Force, the German Navy's Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet also went all out. Eight aircraft carriers took off almost all their fighter jets. Knowing that the main forces of the U.S. Navy and the British Navy are in the north, and this place is far away from the continental United States, they don't have to worry about being attacked by dive bombers and torpedo attack aircraft of the U.S. Navy.

Eight aircraft carriers took off a total of 316 carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets to attack the US Army Air Forces.

At the same time, the Mediterranean Fleet also has five aircraft carriers, which are also taking off fighter jets. The Mediterranean Fleet originally only had four 'Deutschland-class' aircraft carriers, but now there is an additional 'Lord God-class' aircraft carrier, which has greatly increased the strength of the Mediterranean Fleet.

The "Deutschland-class" aircraft carrier is equipped with 24 carrier-based fighter jets. On the "Lord God-class" aircraft carrier, there are forty carrier-based fighter jets. A total of 136 carrier-based fighters took off in the entire Mediterranean Fleet.

It's just that, even so, the combined German Navy's Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet only took off 452 carrier-based fighters. Compared with the five hundred P-51 fighter jets escorted by the U.S. Army Air Force, the number is even smaller.

Not to mention, the U.S. Army Air Force has larger fighters, which can continuously take off more fighters to participate in the attack. Once the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft is lost, it is not so easy to replenish it.

Of course, the performance of the German Navy's carrier-based FW-190 fighter is only stronger than the P-51 fighter equipped by the U.S. Army Air Force. Even in terms of firepower, it is even stronger. The P-51 fighter is equipped with four 12.7mm aviation machine guns and four 7.62mm aviation machine guns. This certainly enables the P-51 fighter to have continuous firepower in air combat. However, to deal with the enemy's heavy bombers, the firepower of the P-51 fighter jets is not enough.

In contrast, the German FW-190 fighter and carrier-based FW-190 fighter are equipped with two MG131 heavy machine guns with a caliber of 13 mm on the upper part of the nose engine. At the wing roots of the wings, each is equipped with an MG151 cannon with a caliber of 20 mm. In the wings, each is equipped with a MK108 cannon with a caliber of 30 mm. This kind of firepower is undoubtedly very ferocious. It can not only cause a devastating blow to the enemy's fighter jets, but also pose a deadly threat to the enemy's bombers. Even heavy bombers cannot withstand the attack of large-caliber machine guns.

In addition, the carrier-based aircraft pilots of the German Navy are all selected from among the best pilots, and they are not comparable to the rookies of the U.S. Army Air Forces. Therefore, even if they are at a disadvantage in the number of fighters, it is almost impossible for the U.S. Army Air Forces to gain an advantage in air combat.

These carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets of the German Navy began to increase their speed after taking off. They need to intercept the U.S. Army Air Force fleet as far as possible from Bermuda, so that there is enough time to shoot down the U.S. Army Air Force fleet and prevent them from flying over Bermuda and dropping bombs. Otherwise, relying on the current anti-aircraft firepower on Bermuda alone would not be able to stop the huge fleet of the U.S. Army Air Forces.

The carrier-based FW-190 fighter of the German Navy can reach a maximum speed of 760 kilometers per hour. Apart from the TA-152 fighter that is being mass-produced by the German Air Force, it is definitely the fastest fighter in the world.

Half an hour later, the German Navy's carrier-based fleet intercepted the U.S. Army Air Force's fleet over the sea 250 kilometers away from Bermuda. A large-scale air battle broke out.

Chapter 1627

"Attention all squadrons, encounter the enemy in five minutes, prepare to launch an attack!" The commander of the German carrier-based aircraft group ordered.

"Understood, General." The squadron leaders of each squadron replied.

A huge fleet, flying at an altitude of 11,000 meters. Although, the maximum ceiling of the FW-190 fighter jet reached 12,500 meters. But if the flying altitude exceeds 12,000 meters, the aircraft will be very difficult to control, let alone flying the aircraft for fierce battles.

The U.S. Army Air Forces fleet does not know that the enemy is approaching at this moment. But their five hundred P-51 fighter jets are always on guard. Especially as they got closer to Bermuda, these U.S. Army Air Force pilots became more and more nervous. They knew very well that the German Navy's air search radar must have found it. This also means that they will soon be intercepted by the carrier-based aircraft of the German Navy.

Although, the pilots of the US Army Air Forces are very confident in the performance of their fighters. However, they are also very aware of the power of the German Navy's carrier-based fighter jets. Once encountered, they will inevitably face a bitter battle. At that time, it is not known how many people will die in the fierce battle.

"The Germans were found!" When the distance between the two sides approached, the U.S. Army Air Forces fleet also discovered the German carrier-based aircraft group that was attacking in large numbers.

"Ready to fight, protect the bomber!" The commander of the US Army Air Forces ordered.

"Yes, sir!" Many American pilots replied loudly.

Though, the enemy is strong. But these heroic U.S. pilots still mustered up their courage and were ready to go into battle.

A large number of P-51 fighter jets began to accelerate and rushed towards the German carrier-based aircraft group. And those B-17 heavy bombers began to accelerate and turn. They are only 250 kilometers away from the Bermuda Islands at this moment. If they can increase the speed to more than 400 kilometers, they will only need 40 minutes to arrive.

"Start the attack!" The commander of the German carrier air group gave the order.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The machine gun started firing, and shells roared and flew towards the US military fleet.

The first to fire are all 20mm cannons. As for the more powerful 30mm cannons, they are prepared for the heavy bombers of the US military. After all, a heavy bomber has a huge body and a solid structure, and aviation machine guns have no threat to it at all. Only machine guns, especially large-caliber machine guns, can easily shoot them down. Therefore, the German carrier-based aircraft fleet will often take the lead in using aviation machine guns and 20mm cannons in air combat, while keeping the 30mm cannons. This is also impossible. Although the machine gun is powerful, it has a small amount of ammunition, which cannot withstand consumption at all.

The sudden attack of the German carrier-based aircraft fleet caused a lot of losses to the US **** aircraft fleet. Dozens of P-51 fighter jets were hit by German cannon shells, dragging thick black smoke, and fell to the ground.

"Damn! Start attacking and kill the German planes!" The commander of the US military ordered.

"Da da da!"

The US P-51 fighter jets that had been dispersed launched a counterattack. The aviation machine gun on the fuselage fired fiercely at the German fighter jets.

For a while, a fierce air battle began. The fighter planes of both sides were coming and going in the sky, and the fight was very fierce.

Almost every moment, planes were hit and fell to the sea with thick smoke.

"Boom boom boom!"

A P-51 fighter was bitten by a German carrier-based FW-190 fighter. A 20mm machine gun shell hit the tail of the P-51 fighter jet, and the entire tail was blown off. The P-51 fighter jets dragged thick smoke and fell directly to the sea. Although the pilot parachuted immediately, the chances of surviving after parachuting in the vast sea are probably very small.

"Damn, I was bitten!" A US military pilot yelled in horror.

"Roll, roll immediately!" said the squadron leader.

The pilot immediately did so, maneuvering the fighter plane to roll a few times, trying to throw the German plane away.

However, it is a pity that the German planes are still following him.

"Boss, I can't help it, the Germans are biting too hard!" The American pilots were a little desperate.

He could feel that the German fighter planes following him were trying to bite him. This makes him have to sway left and right, but this effect is very limited. Once the opponent fires, he is still very likely to be hit.

"Da da da!" The German fighter plane finally completed the lock, and the pilot opened fire decisively.

The two 13mm aviation machine guns on the nose started firing, and dense bullets were fired at the US fighter plane.

Although, the U.S. fighter planes desperately evaded. But still no use. A bullet from an aviation machine gun hit the P-51 fighter. One wing was broken off. The plane lost its balance and fell into the sea.

"I was hit, my plane is falling, I have to parachute!" After the U.S. military pilot finished his report, he parachuted immediately.

A pure white umbrella flower blooms in the air, fluttering with the wind. And his plane fell into the sea, splashing high water columns.

"Damn, we are completely suppressed. What should we do?" A US military captain looked angry.

"There is no way around this. The performance of the German fighters is more advanced than ours. The quality of their pilots is even better than ours. Compared with them, we can hardly take advantage of any. Even if we have more fighters than them, but still not their opponents."

Indeed, the US military's P-51 fighter jets have an advantage in numbers. However, the performance of the P-51 fighter is slightly worse than that of the FW-190 fighter. Coupled with the gap in the quality of pilots, this puts the US military at a complete disadvantage in combat.

Although, in the fierce battle, the German carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets were also shot down. But overall, the loss of the P-51 fighter jets of the US military is still much greater.

It can be said that the German carrier-based FW-190 fighter will only lose one when the P-51 fighter is shot down on the logistics rack. Such a battle loss ratio is completely unacceptable to the U.S. Army Air Forces. You know, there are not a thousand P-51 fighter jets equipped by the U.S. Army Air Force. Even with their overtime production, there are only a few hundred P-51 fighters in service every month. This is still in the case of squeezing the production capacity of other fighters. Once there are too many battle losses, their P-51 fighter jets will soon be lost. At that time, what else will they use to confront the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft fleet?

"Da da da! Boom boom boom!"

Aviation machine guns and cannons fired crazily, and fighter planes were shot and caught fire continuously, falling into the sea like burning flaming birds.

Chapter 1628

"Da da da!"

A P-51 fighter jet was attacked by a German carrier-based aircraft that swooped down. The glass of the cockpit was pierced by the aviation machine gun, and the bullets instantly smashed the pilot into a honeycomb. Blood spurted out, staining the cockpit red.

The pilot was killed, the plane immediately lost control and began to fall towards the sea.

The fierce air battle caused a lot of losses to the fighters of both sides. But overall, the loss of the P-51 fighter jets of the US military is still much greater. The loss of the German carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets was much smaller.

After just ten minutes of fighting, the U.S. P-51 fighter fleet lost more than two hundred aircraft. The German carrier-based FW-190 fighters lost only more than 30 aircraft. This makes the U.S. military's P-51 fleet even lose its numerical advantage. This made them more and more disadvantaged in the ensuing air battle.

"God! The Germans are too powerful, we are not their opponents at all."

"Their pilot skills are far better than ours. Their fighters are also more powerful than ours. If this continues, all our fighters will be shot down soon."

In the case of increasing losses, the pilots of the P-51 fighter jets of the U.S. Army Air Forces were timid and scared. They were flying fighter planes one after another, trying to escape from this airspace and escape from the pursuit of German carrier-based planes.

"Hmph! A group of idiots. Attention all squadrons, concentrate fire on the heavy bombers attacking the Americans, and kill them all!" the German commander ordered.

"Yes, sir!" replied the squadron leaders of each squadron.

Before, the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft group focused its firepower on attacking the U.S. P-51 fleet in order to disperse their aircraft group, so that the German army's carrier-based aircraft group could concentrate its firepower on attacking those heavy bombers. In contrast, those heavy bombers are what the German fleet is eager to eliminate. These heavy bombers carried a lot of aerial bombs. Once these heavy bombers are allowed to drop bombs on the Bermuda Islands, the construction of the German army on the Bermuda Islands will be greatly affected.

The remaining more than 300 German carrier-based aircraft accelerated towards the US heavy bomber fleet.

At this moment, the three hundred B-17 heavy bombers of the US military have assembled into a huge fleet. A frame of heavy bombers leaned against each other. Attempt to rely on dense formation to resist the enemy's attack. After all, these heavy bombers are not only large in size,

but also have a solid body structure. At the same time, they also have powerful self-defense firepower.

"Sir, the German carrier-based aircraft is here!" When the US heavy bomber pilots discovered that the German carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets were coming, they couldn't help but exclaimed.

"Damn, what about those P-51 fighter jets? Were they all shot down by the Germans?"

"Those cowards, who suffered heavy losses from the German attack, have now been dispersed."

"Asshole, call those guys to protect us immediately!" The US bomber commander ordered with a dark face.

Although the performance of the B-17 heavy bomber is very good, it is obviously not enough to deal with the German carrier-based fighter jets. Even a powerful heavy bomber cannot deal with a flexible fighter. Even if the B-17 heavy bomber has powerful self-defense firepower, it will still be easily shot down under the attack of the German carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets.

The U.S. P-51 fighter jets that had been dispersed remembered their duties. Under the command of the chief, they drove the fighter planes up again, trying to prevent the German carrier-based planes from attacking their heavy bombers.

But, it's too late. The attack by the German carrier-based aircraft has already begun, and the heavy bombers of the US military have suffered heavy losses under the attack of the German carrier-based aircraft.

"Da da da!"

After the German carrier-based aircraft group approached, the self-defense firepower of the US heavy bombers began to shoot. A bunch of 12.7mm aviation machine guns fired wildly, trying to form a dense anti-aircraft firepower network around the fleet to prevent the German carrier-based aircraft from attacking.

However, those flexible carrier-based aircraft easily passed through the firepower network. The seemingly dense firepower network did not pose any threat to them at all.

"Boom boom boom!"

The German carrier-based aircraft fired, and the 30mm cannon that had not been used before launched an attack on these huge heavy bombers.

The machine gun shell hit the heavy bomber of the US military, leaving bullet holes in its body. Almost every 30mm cannon shell can leave a washbasin-sized bullet hole in the body of a US heavy bomber.

Countless US heavy bombers ignited fires and even began to fall.

"God! The German carrier-based aircraft is equipped with a large-caliber cannon, and our bombers can't resist it."

"Damn it! The pilot is shot, the plane is out of control, and it's going down!"

After being attacked by German carrier-based aircraft, the US bomber group was in chaos. Some B-17 heavy bombers tried to escape, but were seized by the German carrier-based aircraft and shot down easily.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

A B-17 heavy bomber exploding, burning. A shell from a 30mm machine gun hit the plane. Several big holes were blasted out of the solid machine body by shells, and the cold wind poured in, intensifying the fire.

"My God! Our plane is burning and there is smoke everywhere."

"The plane is out of control and we are falling!"

"God, help us!"

Under the attack of the German carrier-based aircraft, the US heavy bomber fleet suffered a lot. One after another, the huge B-17 heavy bombers were hit and fell to the sea.

Although, the powerful self-defense firepower of the B-17 heavy bomber also shot down some German carrier-based aircraft. But compared to their own losses, the results obtained are nothing at all.

B-17 heavy bomber body structure is very strong, so that it can effectively resist damage. However, they still couldn't resist the cannon shells fired by the German carrier-based aircraft. This caused a large number of B-17 heavy bombers to be shot down, completely exceeding the expectations of the US Army Air Forces.

"Bastard, speed up, we are not far from the Bermuda Islands. After flying to the Bermuda Islands, drop the bomb immediately, and then leave this ghost place!" The commander of the US bomber group ordered.

However, even if they continue to accelerate, they still cannot compare with the German carrier-based aircraft in terms of speed. The German carrier-based aircraft were like wild wolves, biting the U.S. bomber fleet, constantly shooting down the bombers on the periphery, and then peeling off the entire fleet layer by layer, as if they were peeling onions.

Chapter 1629

"Go to hell, **** Germans!"

On a B-17 heavy bomber, the machine gunner was manipulating a self-defense 12.7mm aviation machine gun, firing wildly. Dense bullets chased a carrier-based FW-190 fighter jet. However, the carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets easily avoided these bullets.

The FW-190 fighter jets that climbed to high altitude launched a counterattack. The two 30mm cannons in the wings started firing.

"Boom boom boom!"

The shell hit the B-17 heavy bomber, blasting holes the size of washbasins above the body. The plane caught fire, and soon the fire spread to the entire body along with the strong wind.

The whole plane dragged thick smoke and fell to the sea.

"My God! The Germans are killing us completely, we can't compete with them at all!"

"The cannons installed on the German planes are so powerful that we can't fight them at all!"

Although, the disadvantage of machine guns in air combat is very obvious due to insufficient ammunition. If the pilot doesn't pay attention, he can keep pressing the launch button for ten or a few seconds, and all the shells can be fired. Therefore, pilots often don't like machine guns, and they prefer aviation machine guns with sufficient ammunition. But even so, the German fighter jets were equipped with powerful cannons at the beginning of their design. And let the pilots familiarize themselves with the use of cannons in one battle after another. These are all preparations for dealing with the enemy's heavy bombers. Now, the reason why German pilots are able to slaughter the enemy's heavy bombers on the battlefield is inseparable from the previous training.

"Boom boom! Da da da!"

The air battle was very intense, and fighter planes were constantly shot down. But most of those shot down were US B-17 heavy bombers.

It was not until the U.S. P-51 fighter jets came back and entangled the German carrier-based aircraft group that the loss of the U.S. B-17 heavy bomber was brought under control. But even so, the US military's fleet still suffered a lot. Whether it is their P-51 fighter jets or B-17 heavy bombers, in front of the German carrier-based aircraft fleet, they have almost no power to fight back.

When the U.S. military fleet flew over the Bermuda Islands, only half of the original three hundred B-17 heavy bombers remained. The remaining half have been shot down by the German carrier-based aircraft fleet. The fleet of P-51 fighter jets escorting it also only has more than 200 left. It can be said that the entire U.S. Army Air Force's huge fleet has lost half of its aircraft.

"Start dropping bombs!"

The commander of the US bomber group issued an order. More than 150 B-17 heavy bombers opened their magazines.

"Shhhhhh!"

Aerial bombs hit the ground one after another. Each B-17 heavy bomber can carry up to eight tons of bombs, and 150 B-17 heavy bombers can drop more than 1,200 tons of bombs on Bermuda.

"Boom boom boom!"

The German anti-aircraft guns on the ground also fired back. The 88mm anti-aircraft guns, 40mm anti-aircraft guns, 20mm anti-aircraft guns, and 12.7mm anti-aircraft guns were all firing crazily.

Although the US military's B-17 heavy bomber has rough skin and thick flesh. However, under the attack of anti-aircraft firepower on the ground, the loss of the US bomber fleet is still not small. Bombers were constantly being hit and fell to the nearby sea with thick smoke.

However, the bombs dropped by the U.S. bomber fleet also caused great losses to the Bermuda Islands. Many military facilities that had just been built were destroyed in the bombing of the US military. The island's air defense force and the 1st Marine Corps suffered heavy losses, and many officers and soldiers were killed by the U.S. bombing.

When the bombs were dropped, the US military fleet began to return. However, the German carrier-based aircraft fleet will not let them leave so easily. Those carrier-based fleets rushed up again and continued to attack the US military fleet.

Even after dropping the bombs, the speed of the US military's B-17 heavy bomber can increase to 460 kilometers per hour. But in front of the German carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets, such a speed is nothing at all, and it will be easily caught up.

The fierce battle continued, and fighter planes were constantly shot down. However, there are still very few German carrier-based aircraft that were shot down. Most of those shot down were U.S. Army Air Forces fighters. Whether it is a B-17 heavy bomber or a P-51 fighter jet, they are constantly shot down like dumplings.

It was not until the German carrier-based aircraft ran out of fuel that they stopped chasing the U.S. aircraft fleet. It's just that the current US military fleet is not much left compared to the huge fleet when they first set off.

The U.S. Army Air Force invested 500 P-51 fighter jets and 300 B-17 heavy bombers this time. But now, there are only more than 160 P-51 fighter jets returning. There are less than one hundred B-17 heavy bombers left. The rest of the fighter planes have been shot down by the German carrier-based fleet.

The loss paid by the German carrier-based aircraft fleet was nothing more than the shooting down of more than 80 carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets.

Moreover, the German Navy has dispatched seaplanes and light warships to rescue those pilots who fell into the water, and ensured that those pilots could be rescued as much as possible. But the U.S. Army Air Corps can't do it. They not only lost a large number of aircraft, but more importantly, they lost a large number of pilots and crew members. This hit the U.S. Army Air Force even more than the loss of the U.S. Army Air Force's fighter planes. After all, the fighter plane is lost, and with the strong industrial strength of the United States, it can be easily rebuilt. But the training of pilots and crew members is not so easy.

U.S. Army Air Corps Commander General Henry Arnold was stunned after receiving the battle damage report. He never imagined that their loss would be so great.

"God! Have the Germans become so strong? Even if we try our best, we can't fight them?" Admiral Henry Arnold's confidence was even shaken.

However, after Admiral Marshall and President Roosevelt learned of the loss of the Army Air Force, although they were very distressed, they asked the Army Air Force to continue the bombing.

On the one hand, the United States needs the Army Air Force to continue to attack Bermuda, delaying the time for Germany to build the Army Air Force. On the other hand, they hope to use this method to hold back the German Navy's Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet, and create favorable conditions for the US and British fleets to defeat the German Navy's home fleet.

It is precisely because of this that the U.S. Marine Corps has no choice but to grit its teeth and persevere no matter how big the loss is.

Chapter 1630

On the morning of October 17, when the U.S. Army Air Force dispatched a large fleet to prepare to attack Bermuda, the U.S. fleet and the British fleet also joined in the waters south of Newfoundland.

The U.S. Navy has nine fleet aircraft carriers, four light aircraft carriers, and six capital ships, and the British Navy has eight medium-sized aircraft carriers and 10 capital ships, plus a large number of cruisers and destroyers. This has formed a huge fleet with a total of more than four hundred ships. Even facing the three major fleets of the German Navy in the Atlantic Ocean, they still have the power to fight.

Of course, compared with the German navy, even if the U.S. Navy and the British Navy are united, they are still at a disadvantage. Even because of the performance gap of carrier-based aircraft, it is very difficult for the US and British navies to win. However, if it is only to deal with the German Navy's local fleet, the US and British navies are undoubtedly at an advantage.

On the aircraft carrier USS Essex of the US Navy, senior generals of the US Navy and the British Navy gathered here. Admiral Ernest King, commander of the US Atlantic Fleet, was appointed as the commander of the US fleet this time. At the same time, after the U.S. Navy gained command of the British Navy, he also logically became the commander of the United Fleet.

British Navy, British Navy Atlantic Fleet Commander John? Tovey Admiral as the deputy commander of the combined fleet. Admiral Andrew Cunningham served as the deputy commander of the aircraft carrier formation.

Although, the navies of the United States and Britain formed a joint fleet. But in fact, they still command their own fleets. It's just that when fighting the German navy, they need joint operations. There is no way to do this. No matter which side the navies of the two countries are, they will definitely not be the opponent of the German fleet if they act alone. Therefore, they can only unite. Only in this way can we have a chance of winning.

"Gentlemen, the Germans have taken Bermuda. They are trying to establish a bridgehead in the western Atlantic Ocean that threatens the whole of North America. To this end, they have set a trap and moved the main force of our navy away from the southern area. However, This also gave us a chance. According to the information we have, the German navy that captured Bermuda was the German Atlantic Fleet and the Mediterranean Fleet. The one that appeared in the Greenland waters was the German home fleet." Ounes Special? Admiral Kim.

"Yes, General Kim, this is a good opportunity for us. If we can seize this opportunity and severely damage or even wipe out the German home fleet in one fell swoop, then we will be able to occupy the entire fleet in the next battle." A bigger advantage." Admiral John Tovey said.

The British Navy is also ambitious in this respect. They hope that through this battle, they can severely damage the German navy, because only in that way can they ensure their own safety. Even, there will be a chance to counterattack the British mainland.

"General Tovey, then, we have reached an agreement on this issue." Admiral Ernest King said with a smile.

John? Admiral Tovey nodded.

"Very well, then our two navies need to work together. I believe that with our strength, we will be able to defeat the Germans." Admiral Ernest King said.

"Yes, General Kim, we will definitely be able to defeat the Germans!" Admiral John Tovey said.

The admirals of the U.S. Navy and the British Navy knew that the German Navy was too powerful for them. It is very difficult to defeat the German Navy. And, the chances are few and far between. This opportunity may be the last chance for the U.S. Navy and the British Navy. Therefore, they must seize this opportunity. Otherwise, if this opportunity is missed, they will never have a chance to defeat the Germans. In the end, it will only be eliminated step by step by the Germans.

If the U.S. Navy and the British Navy completely fail. Then, the Germans will not only have complete control over the entire Atlantic Ocean. It can even further attack the east coast of North America. In the end, the mighty German Army landed in North America. As far as the U.S. Army and the British Army are concerned, it is even more difficult for them to resist the attack of the German Army, or even defeat the German Army. Therefore, the only way to preserve their country is to win the naval battle. Only in this way will they be able to defend their country. Even, there is still power to turn defeat into victory and defeat the German Navy in one fell swoop.

"General Kimmel, tell everyone about the strength of the German Navy's home fleet!" Admiral Ernest Kim said.

"Yes, General." Husband Kimmel Admiral replied.

"Generals, the German Navy's Home Fleet has a total of eight aircraft carriers and 8 capital ships. During the Battle of the Azores, one aircraft carrier and one battleship in the German Navy's Home Fleet were sunk. However, now they add An aircraft carrier was built, making the German Navy's home fleet have 8 aircraft carriers and 7 capital ships.

The aircraft carriers of the German Navy are large fleet carriers. Four 'Lord God-class' aircraft carriers, each capable of carrying 120 carrier-based aircraft. Four 'Constellation-class' aircraft carriers, each capable of carrying 103 carrier-based aircraft. These two aircraft carriers are stronger than our "Essex-class" aircraft carriers. Not to mention other light aircraft carriers and medium aircraft carriers. The capital ship of the German Navy is the capital ship that served after the last world war. The hull is already relatively old. But after modern modification, it still has good combat effectiveness! said General Husband Kimmel.

"The capital ship of the German home fleet was built with the hull of the unfinished capital ship that captured us!" Admiral John Tovey said through gritted teeth.

This has always been a shame for the British Navy. After Germany captured the British mainland, it also captured a large number of unfinished warships in the shipyard. This made the German Navy have more than 20 capital ships at once.

"Even if the German capital ships have been modernized, we can still sink them in this naval battle!" Admiral Andrew Cunningham said.

The 10 capital ships of the British Navy are two "Nelson-class" battleships, four "Lion-class" battleships and four "Hood-class" battlecruisers. These battleships are cutting-edge battleships with very powerful performance. The generals of the British Navy have great confidence in these capital ships.