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Chapter 591: Arrival of the Fleet

At the German airfield more than ten kilometers away from Le Havre, Admiral Crook and Lieutenant General Ludendorff are waiting for the result of the carrier-based aircraft attack.

"General, I hope that the carrier-based aircraft force can sink the British warships in one fell swoop. In this way, when we attack Le Havre, we don't have to worry about being bombarded by them again." Lieutenant General Ludendorff said .

"Well. Lieutenant General Ingenuel is very confident. I think the carrier air force will be able to give us a satisfactory result this time. No matter how bad it is, they can also drive the British fleet away from Le Havre. In this case, When we are attacking, we will have no worries. Without the fire support of the British fleet, it will be very easy for us to take Le Havre." Admiral Crook said.

"Yes, General. We have wasted a lot of time in Le Havre, and we can't go on like this." Lieutenant General Ludendorff said.

According to the original plan, they should have won Le Havre by now. But it's a pity that they had to waste a lot of time here because their offense was frustrated.

"General Crook, General Ludendorff. The 3rd and 4th Carrier Air Wings have completed the attack on the British fleet there. So far, the effect is good. We have sunk many British pre-dreadnought ships And the armored cruiser. Now, the 5th and 6th Wings are attacking the British fleet." Lieutenant General Ingenor said excitedly.

Although, this is the first time for the pilots of these four carrier-based air wing to conduct actual combat. However, their performance is undoubtedly very satisfactory. The British warships that were sunk one after another are the best proof of their training results.

"Very good, general. It seems that we are about to win? Isn't it?" Admiral Crook said.

"Yes, General. Our carrier-based aircraft force will be able to win immediately. Although it may be impossible to sink all the British warships. However, it is still necessary to destroy all their former dreadnoughts and armored cruisers." There is no problem at all." Lieutenant General Ingenuel said confidently.

"In this case, it would be great. This afternoon, tomorrow at the latest, we will be able to resume the attack on Le Havre." Lieutenant General Ludendorff said.

"General, I suggest starting the attack tomorrow afternoon. In this case, the naval fleet can be given a chance to display its strength. A fleet composed of five 'Deutschland-class' battleships and five 'Brunschweig-class' battleships will be launched tomorrow morning." It will arrive. At that time, they will use large-caliber naval guns to launch a fierce bombardment of Le Havre. Let the British have a taste of being bombarded by large-caliber naval guns. At that time, the Army's It will be easier to attack." Lieutenant General Ingenuel suggested.

Admiral Crook nodded: "Yes, this is a very good suggestion. I also want to see what kind of expression the British will have when they are violently bombarded by our large-caliber naval guns." ."

Lieutenant General Ludendorff also nodded again and again. Before that, they suffered heavy losses under the fierce bombardment of the British fleet. This has always been a pain in the heart for the two of them. It would be great to have the opportunity to fight back and make the British pay for it.

Soon, the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft force determined the results of the battle. The 3rd and 4th carrier-based aircraft wings launched two rounds of attacks. The 5th and 6th Carrier Air Wings launched an attack. A total of 384 aircraft attacks successfully sent 21 former dreadnoughts and 13 armored cruisers of the British Navy to the bottom of the sea. In addition, some small and medium warships of the British fleet were sunk. This attack can be described as a complete victory.

Admiral Crook and Lieutenant General Ludendorff sank the former dreadnought and armored cruiser of the British Navy with their carrier-based aircraft units, and informed the following troops of the news that the British fleet had fled in embarrassment. This immediately restored the morale of the German troops whose morale was low.

Although, the vast majority of German soldiers are very brave, and they are even more fearless in battle. However, the huge power of the British fleet's naval guns still put great pressure on them. Especially the soldiers who were within the killing range of the naval gun shells were directly blown to pieces. For everyone, this is a shock from the depths of the soul.

"Damn the British, their fleet was finally defeated by us. Without the support of the fleet, how can the British resist our attack now!"

"This time, we will be able to kill all the British!"

The morale of the soldiers has been restored, which will have an extremely beneficial impact on the German army's next attack on Le Havre.

In contrast, the morale of the British Expeditionary Force plummeted to freezing point. Many British soldiers couldn't even stand the feeling of suddenly falling from heaven to hell, and collapsed directly.

There were even a lot of British soldiers who left the defense area without authorization and came to the dock, wanting to escape Le Havre on a ship transporting supplies. Obviously, they no longer have the slightest confidence in the next battle, they just want to leave here and save their own lives.

Under unavoidable circumstances, Sir French had no choice but to order the various departments of the British Expeditionary Force to stick to their own lines of defense, and not to order or retreat without authorization. In addition, a large number of military police were organized to prohibit deserters. But even so, deserters are still repeatedly banned.

There is no naval fleet to rely on, which makes the British Expeditionary Force can only rely on itself in the next battle. Therefore, the British Expeditionary Force had to start to strengthen the defense line again to deal with the upcoming German attack. However, they don't think these lines of defense can play a big role.

In fact, starting in the afternoon, the artillery of the German 1st Army and 8th Army returned to the vicinity of Le Havre and started shelling. Although the infantry did not launch an attack, it is always right to prepare for firepower.

The next day, the morning of May 11, a large number of ships suddenly appeared off the coast of Le Havre. It's just that the flags hoisted on these ships are no longer St. George's flags, but the flags of the German Navy.

"My God! The German fleet is coming." The officers and soldiers of the British Expeditionary Force, after discovering this situation, were all mournful.

"Damn it, the Germans are trying to drive us to a dead end!" After Sir French got the news, there was no trace of blood on his face. Originally they were not the opponents of the German army, and now the German army has received support from battleships on the sea. One can imagine what will happen to the British Expeditionary Force.

Chapter 592: Tit for a tooth

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Off the coast of Le Havre, five "Deutschland-class" battleships and five "Brunschweig-class" battleships of the German Navy lined up under the guard of many small and medium-sized warships, aiming at Le Havre with their sides. Havre, so that the maximum firepower of the battleship can be exerted.

On the flagship battleship 'Deutschland', Rear Admiral Richter Fels was observing the situation in Le Havre with a telescope. He could clearly see that a large number of officers and soldiers of the British Expeditionary Force were fleeing from the coast to the city. A large number of sailors are also fleeing from various ships that were originally moored at the dock. Obviously, they were all afraid of being bombarded by these battleships of the German Navy.

Before, the British relied on the strength of their fleet to bombard the German army attacking Le Havre. Now, everything is their turn.

"It's a pity that I still couldn't arrive in time. Those guys in the carrier-based aircraft unit were really quick to kill more than 20 battleships and 13 armored cruisers of the British!" Major General Richter Fels looked regretful.

When the main fleet had other missions, these pre-dreadnought ships that were originally used for offshore defense finally came in handy. Originally, Rear Admiral Richter Fels thought that he might be able to have a duel with the British Navy in a pre-dreadnought battle. But unfortunately, the battle was over before they arrived at the battlefield. Under the attack of the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft force, the British fleet was killed and disarmed, and all the former dreadnoughts and armored cruisers were sunk. So much so that after they came all the way around, they couldn't get anything.

Of course, if there is no carrier-based aircraft force to attack. After the German fleet arrived, it may not be the opponent of the British fleet. After all, they only had ten pre-dreadnoughts. The British have 21 pre-dreadnoughts and 13 armored cruisers. The quantity gap between the two sides is really too big. Even the warships of the German Navy are superior in performance. But it is not so easy to win.

"Order all ships, get ready to fire!" Rear Admiral Richter Fels ordered.

Since the desire to fight a duel with the British fleet against the former dreadnoughts cannot be realized, they can only perform the original mission and provide fire support for the army attacking Le Havre.

"Yes, General."

The main guns of the ten battleships began to rotate and aimed at Le Havre. Because there is no clear target, they only need to launch the shells into the city of Le Havre. The power of the large-caliber naval gun is very powerful, and it will tear all enemies to pieces.

"In addition, send a telegram to the Army's 1st and 8th Army Corps, and our bombardment will start immediately. If necessary, they can specify the target of the bombardment." Major General Richter Fels continued.

After all, their mission this time is to provide fire support to the army attacking Le Havre. Then, everything should naturally meet the needs of the Army as the primary goal.

"Yes, General."

"Boom! Boom!" The battleship "Deutschland" fired first with its twin 280mm main guns. Immediately afterwards, the seven 170mm secondary guns on the sideboard also began to roar. One after another, the shells roared towards Le Havre.

Because they are attacking land targets, these cannons fire high-explosive bombs.

The other nine battleships followed suit and launched an attack. One after another, the warships began to roar. The sound of the explosion resounded throughout the sea.

"Whoo! Whoo! Whoo!"

One after another, the shells roared towards Le Havre. The shells flew at high speed in the air, and produced violent friction with the air, making a sharp and piercing whistling sound.

"My God! The German battleship is firing. Run away!"

The officers and soldiers of the British Expeditionary Force in the city of Le Havre, their faces pale with fright, ran around like headless flies.

"Boom! Boom!"

Heavy shells slammed into the urban area of Le Havre. A violent explosion sounded immediately, and the terrifying shock wave swept around, destroying everything around.

Originally, during the previous firepower preparations of the German army, Le Havre was almost blown into ruins. After that, the fierce shelling by the British fleet once again destroyed the eastern city of Le Havre. Now, the bombardment target of the German fleet is the western city of Le Havre. Here, it has become an important gathering place for the British Expeditionary Force.

"Boom!" A 280mm artillery shell exploded, leaving a huge crater on the ground. The streets that had already become dilapidated were completely destroyed. The British Expeditionary Force stationed in this area suffered heavy losses.

"Oh, God!"

A British soldier saw with his own eyes that his company headquarters was hit by a shell. When the explosion disappeared, the entire company headquarters had disappeared. Everyone was blown to pieces.

"Hell, this place is **** at all!" the British soldiers roared in horror. Then he stumbled and ran away into the distance. However, before he could take two steps, a shell exploded beside him. Then, his whole body disappeared in the explosion.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

Violent explosions continued to sound in the city of Le Havre. The officers and soldiers of the British Expeditionary Force were blown to pieces during the explosion. Their losses began to soar.

"Damn the Germans! I would rather they launch an attack and fight with them with real knives and guns than be killed in their shelling." An officer of the British Expeditionary Force roared angrily.

Except, they seem to have forgotten. When the German army attacked Le Havre, the British fleet launched a fierce shelling, which caused heavy losses to the German army. At that time, how elated and cheered they were. Applause for the massacre of German soldiers by the British fleet.

However, it didn't take long before everything turned upside down again. The British fleet was almost completely wiped out under the attack of the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft force. The German fleet then arrived and began bombarding them with naval guns. They also finally tasted the pain and despair when the German army was bombarded by the British fleet.

"Boom! Boom!"

Several 170mm artillery shells fell one after another, and a British army position was covered by artillery fire. When the smoke cleared, the entire position disappeared. The 170mm secondary gun is not as powerful as the 280mm main gun, but it is still not something that ordinary infantry positions can resist.

The German army's tit-for-tat tactics began to make the British Expeditionary Force pay an unbearable price.

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"What a beautiful sound, what a beautiful scene! I really hope that the bombardment of the fleet can kill all those British!" Admiral Crook put down the binoculars in his hand, with a smile on his face.

"Yes, General! Now it's the British's turn to tremble under our bombardment. I think the naval bombardment will certainly not do much harm to the British. But for their morale blow, It must be fatal. At that time, we can easily defeat these British people." Lieutenant General Ludendorff said.

Admiral Crook nodded: "It seems that this **** battle will be over soon."

For the German Army, after the battle on the French battlefield is over, most of the battle has been completed. Next, it was the turn to attack the British mainland. Although, the British will definitely persist in resistance at home. However, it is foreseeable that the German Army will definitely use its powerful combat power to smash the resistance of the British. At that time, this battle will be over.

"General, our infantry must get ready. After the fleet's bombardment is over, launch an attack immediately. Before the British can react, attack Le Havre and end the battle as quickly as possible." Lu Lieutenant General Dendorf said.

"Well, it's totally possible. This idea is very good!" Admiral Crook nodded again and again.

When the German fleet bombarded Le Havre, the infantry of the 1st Army and the 8th Army also slowly approached Le Havre. However, they did not launch an attack immediately, but waited for their own fleet to complete the shelling before launching an attack.

Originally, the morale of the troops suffered heavy losses due to the heavy shelling of the British fleet. But now, it has begun to recover rapidly. The soldiers watched the artillery shells of their own fleet continuously fall into the city of Le Havre. Smoke and smoke, straight into the sky. This feeling boosted their morale. I am more confident in defeating the enemy.

Although, the shelling of large-caliber naval guns is very shocking. However, if it is one's own large-caliber naval guns bombarding the enemy, it will undoubtedly increase one's morale. This played a big role in restoring the morale of the German army.

Of course, this is not so wonderful for the British who are undergoing fierce German naval artillery strikes. They had realized what it would be like to be bombarded by such a large-caliber naval gun. Although the former dreadnought of the German army used a 280mm main gun, in terms of power, it was no worse than the British Navy's 305mm main gun. The heavy high-explosive bomb contains a large amount of explosives. Once it explodes, it can destroy everything around it.

The defensive positions hastily constructed by the British Expeditionary Force were easily destroyed under the bombardment of these large-caliber artillery shells, like paper. Also destroyed were the soldiers of the British Expeditionary Force. They were destroyed from body to spirit.

"My God! So the shelling of large-caliber naval guns is so terrifying!" Dozens of British soldiers hid in a modified anti-bunker cave in a basement. Although, the basement has been reinforced. But whether they can withstand the large-caliber naval guns of the German army, they have no idea.

Violent explosions continued to sound, and the entire basement seemed to be shaking. Dust kept falling from the ceiling of the basement, making the British soldiers hiding inside feel ashamed. However, no one cares about these at all. Now, everyone can only pray to God that the basement can withstand the bombardment of the German large-caliber naval guns. In this case, they might be able to save their lives. Otherwise, if the basement collapsed, they would all have to be buried alive in it.

"As long as it is not directly hit, it should be able to withstand it!" said a British officer.

However, just as he finished speaking, there was an earth-shattering explosion. The ceiling in the basement was cracked suddenly during the explosion. A large number of stones fell, and the British soldiers below were buried in it before they had time to react.

This is a 280mm artillery shell, which directly hit the top of this basement. Even if it is reinforced, it cannot withstand this large-caliber naval gun.

Under the heavy shelling of the German fleet, the losses of the British Expeditionary Force began to soar. Numerous soldiers of the expeditionary force were killed in the explosion, or were buried alive because of the collapse of the anti-battery holes. Few people were seriously injured. Because once it is affected by large-caliber naval guns, it is basically death.

The headquarters of the expeditionary force is very strong after all. Even if it is directly hit by a large-caliber naval gun, it may not necessarily be blown up. However, the hearts of Sir French, Admiral Haig and Admiral Gough were like winter.

Now, their troops are under heavy German shelling, and their losses are increasing. But they can't do anything, they can only watch all this helplessly. And, they are predictable. Once the German army launches an attack, the British Expeditionary Force may not be able to resist it at all. How could the officers and soldiers of the expeditionary force whose will to fight have collapsed be the opponents of the wolf-like German army?

But they can only do nothing about it.

Neither Sir French nor Admiral Haig can do anything about it. What they can do is probably to watch the expeditionary army go to its final demise step by step. Even, these senior generals ended up with two endings, one was captured by the German army, and the other lost their lives on the battlefield.

Although, the British Army has a practice of rescuing important generals back to the country at the last moment. However, the German fleet is just off the coast of Le Havre, and it is very difficult to rescue these generals in China!

The heavy shelling of the German fleet lasted for a whole morning. They caused extremely serious casualties to the British Expeditionary Force. In the afternoon, the attack of the German 1st Army and 8th Army started again. In this attack, the 1st Army invested six infantry divisions, and the 2nd Army invested 4 infantry divisions. Hundreds of thousands of people divided into five directions and stormed Le Havre.

The morale of the British Expeditionary Force had dropped to freezing point as early as the heavy shelling by the German fleet. This made them have no courage to resist the German attack. The battle was almost a scene of collapse at the touch of a button. The troops of the British Expeditionary Force collapsed as soon as they encountered the German attack. It can be said that there is no suspense in this battle.

Chapter 594: surrender

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In the city of Le Havre, the fierce battle began. Hundreds of thousands of German troops invaded the city and began a fierce battle with the British Expeditionary Force.

However, the morale of the two warring parties is vastly different. The morale of the German army on one side was like a rainbow, while the British army on the other side had a collapsed will to fight and collapsed at the first touch.

This also made the German army invincible in the offensive. The resistance of the British army was so weak that it couldn't even stop the German army from attacking.

"Da da da!"

On a position of the British army, a heavy machine gun was firing. This kind of rapid-fire weapon should have been a sharp weapon for killing enemies in urban defense operations. However, even with these weapons, the British soldiers whose will to fight has almost dropped to freezing point cannot display their combat effectiveness!

"Mortar, aim at the British machine gun position, kill them!" A second lieutenant platoon leader of the German army ordered.

"Boom!"

A 60mm mortar shell accurately hit the machine gun position. The bunker was blown up, and the machine gunner inside was also killed. However, the machine gun was not able to destroy it.

Originally, the German army thought it was necessary to continue shelling. But what is surprising is that the British soldiers stationed there fled directly after the machine gun firepower point was destroyed. The German army took this British position almost effortlessly.

Scenes like this can be seen almost everywhere on the battlefield. Facing the German attack, most of the British soldiers did not have the courage to continue fighting. In the case of collapse at the touch of a button, the positions of the British Expeditionary Force continued to be lost. Their activity space in Le Havre has also been suppressed a lot. Judging from this situation, they simply can't last long.

By the evening of May 11, when the German army stopped attacking, almost half of the entire Le Havre city had fallen into the hands of the German army. General Crook and Lieutenant General Ludendorff are very satisfied with today's attack. The two even optimistically believed that perhaps by tomorrow night, the entire Le Havre would be completely in the hands of the German army. The British Expeditionary Force stationed here will be completely eliminated.

The battle situation has become even more unfavorable to the British Expeditionary Force. It was almost a certainty that they would lose the war. But what should they do next? This has become a headache for the leadership of the British Expeditionary Force.

"Your Excellency, we have already lost half of Le Havre in this afternoon's battle. The loss of troops is not very great. The most important problem is that those soldiers no longer have the courage to fight the Germans. Yes. Often the Germans fired a few shells, and the soldiers lost their positions and fled in embarrassment. This made it impossible for us to continue in the city." Admiral Haig looked frustrated. There is no doubt that he has no confidence in the current situation.

"How long can we last in Le Havre?" Sir French asked.

"Your Excellency, it's hard to say. Maybe we can hold on until tomorrow night!" Admiral Goff said.

Sir French couldn't help but smiled bitterly: "We have at least 200,000 people in Le Havre. Can we only last for one day? Is the combat effectiveness of the expeditionary force already so weak??"

"Your Excellency, although there are still many troops. However, everyone has no courage to continue fighting. Under such circumstances, even if there are more troops, what is the use?" Admiral Haig said.

Sir French nodded helplessly. He also knew that he was powerless now.

"Everyone, the matter has come to this, what do you think we should do next?" Sir French asked.

"Your Excellency, we have no other choice in this battle. If we continue to fight, it will only increase casualties. Therefore, I suggest that the soldiers surrender to the Germans. They have done their best in this war. There is no need to force them to continue fighting. In that case, it is no different from letting them go to death." Admiral Haig suggested.

"Surrender? If you surrender, you can save the lives of those boys. In this case, they can be regarded as saved. But what should we do? I don't want to go into a German prisoner-of-war camp." Sir French Said.

As the commander of the British Expeditionary Force, Sir French is undoubtedly a top figure belonging to the British Army. Had he been captured by the Germans, it would have dealt a major blow to his personal reputation. Even, it will have a serious adverse effect on the British Empire. Sir French did not want his honor to be sullied. When necessary, he would rather commit suicide than be captured by the Germans.

"The German fleet is cruising off the coast of Le Havre. Even if we want to evacuate Le Havre, I'm afraid we can't do it." Admiral Goff said. He understood what Sir French meant. If you can withdraw to the British mainland, even if you are a defeated general, it is obviously better than being captured.

Admiral Haig frowned, and after thinking for a while, he said: "Your Excellency, if we want to leave Le Havre, there is no way out. We may turn to the navy for help. Their submarines can secretly arrive in Le Havre." Well. We can return to the mainland by submarine. But, in this way, there will not be many evacuated people."

Sir French thought for a while, and then said: "That's better than everyone being captured by the Germans."

"Okay, sir, I understand." Admiral Haig had already understood what Sir French meant.

The British Expeditionary Force Command and the British Navy secretly contacted, and it happened that a submarine was operating not far from Le Havre. Their mission was originally to monitor the German fleet. Now it can come in handy.

The British War Department also learned of the predicament of the expeditionary force, and expressed understanding for the decision of Sir French and others. So, that night, the British submarine arrived in Le Havre secretly, and picked up Sir French, Admiral Haig and Admiral Gough and a few people.

The next day, after dawn, the officers and soldiers of the British Expeditionary Force discovered that several major commanders had slipped away. This feeling of being abandoned was even more unbearable for the officers and soldiers of the expeditionary army.

So, when the German army launched an offensive, a large number of officers and soldiers of the expeditionary force surrendered directly to the German army. Many troops, even established units, surrendered.

Chapter 595: French obsession

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"Surrender, we surrender!"

"God! We don't want to fight anymore, we want to go home!"

Countless officers and soldiers of the British Expeditionary Force stepped out of the trenches one after another. They dropped their weapons, raised their hands, and surrendered to the Germans. Under the heavy shelling of the German naval fleet, their will to fight has collapsed. Coupled with the escape of several major commanders, they did not have the courage to continue fighting.

The desire to survive* surpassed the honor and disgrace of individuals and the country. Under such circumstances, surrender became their only choice for the officers and soldiers of the British Expeditionary Force who only wanted to survive.

Facing the surrender of the British Expeditionary Force, although the German army was a little surprised, they still accepted their surrender with a smile on their faces. Of course, it is very easy for them to eliminate these officers and soldiers of the British Expeditionary Force who have no fighting spirit. However, the so-called rabbit will bite people in a hurry. In a battle, no matter how smooth it is, the winning party will pay a certain price. It is simply impossible to fight a battle with zero casualties. Therefore, the surrender of the British is also of great benefit to the German army. This allowed them to take Le Havre with minimal effort. Moreover, the time-consuming is also the least, and the casualties are also the least.

General Crook and Lieutenant General Ludendorff are also happy to see such a situation. Whether it is captured or annihilated, it is a victory. They don't care about the process, only the final result.

"General, the last resisting British expeditionary force has put down its arms. The Battle of Le Havre is over!" Lieutenant General Ludendorff showed a smile on his face. At the same time, he also breathed a sigh of relief. After all, the battle of Le Havre this time can be described as full of twists and turns. Originally thought it would be easy to win, but because of the sneak attack of the Royal Navy fleet, they suffered heavy losses. Fortunately, the carrier-based aircraft units and fleet of the Imperial Navy gave them support. Otherwise, they really couldn't win Le Havre.

"It's finally over. Fortunately, although there have been some accidents. But overall, the result is still satisfactory to us." Admiral Crook said.

"Yes! The entire French battlefield is almost over, and there won't be any big battles." Lieutenant General Ludendorff said.

Although, the French army is still resisting. The main armies of the German army are also continuing to move south. However, the French army kept retreating on the battlefield, and they simply didn't have the courage to continue fighting the German army. Predictably, once they had retreated to the south of France, they would have to make a choice. In other words, there is no other choice.

The surrender of the British Expeditionary Force in Le Havre was undoubtedly a heavy blow to the French government. It made them even less confident about the current war. In other words, I don't have the courage to fight anymore.

Among the French government and military, those main combat factions who insist on continuing the war have less and less weight to speak as the war situation develops. Even French President Poincaré and Prime Minister René Viviani have begun to think that the war has reached this point, and it seems that there is no need to persist.

However, even so, the French government and the main combat faction of the military have not completely given up. They still hope that France can end the war as a winner, not a loser.

"Gentlemen, the British Expeditionary Force failed in Le Havre. More than 200,000 people surrendered to the Germans. This allowed the Germans to deploy more troops to attack us. It is foreseeable that the future situation will be even worse for us!" said President Poincaré.

"Yes! Everyone, I am very pessimistic about whether we can win the war. After all, the current situation is very unfavorable to us. And our enemy has too great an advantage on the battlefield!" Prime Minister René Viviani also said.

"Your Excellency the President, Your Excellency the Prime Minister. I do not deny that the current situation is very unfavorable to us. The Germans have indeed taken an absolute advantage. However, we still have a chance. If the combined fleet can defeat the German Navy. Then, the situation will develop in our favour. At that time, a large amount of resources from the colonies, as well as aid from the United States, will make us stronger again. On the other hand, the Germans, because of the defeat of the navy, will regain their strength. At the point of being blocked. At that time, they will become weaker and weaker. The balance of victory will gradually tilt towards us again, and in the end, we will win the war." Marshal Joffre said.

Nevertheless, Marshal Joffre himself was a little uncertain. However, as the commander-in-chief of the French army. At the same time, he is also the leader of the main combat faction, so he naturally has to show great confidence. Otherwise, even he doesn't have the confidence to continue the fight, so how can this battle continue.

"However, half of our country has been occupied now. If we continue to fight, we will fall into more land, a large number of cities will be destroyed, and a large number of people will die in the war. This is for the French Republic It would be very unfavorable for the country," Prime Minister René Viviani said.

After all, if the losses in the war are too great. Then, the entire country and nation will be hit hard by this. Even if the war is over in the end, it will be quite difficult to recover.

"Your Excellency, your concern is correct. But it is precisely because of this that we need to continue the war. Now, we have paid a great loss in this war. If we end the war now, then our losses will never be recovered. Moreover, the Germans will definitely put forward very harsh demands for an armistice, for which we need to pay a greater price. And if we can finally win the war, Then we can turn around and slaughter the Germans. In this way, all the losses we paid in the war can be recovered from the Germans, or even doubled. By that time, the French Republic will It will quickly recover its strength and even become stronger." Marshal Xia Fei said.

President Poincaré and Prime Minister René Viviani were moved by Marshal Joffre's point of view. Therefore, they decided to grit their teeth and continue the war.

However, the two also made it clear. If the United Fleet fails to defeat the German Navy in the decisive battle. Then, the war must be ended immediately. No matter how much you pay, you need to stop the loss immediately.

Chapter 596: United Fleet

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Irish Sea, Morecomb Bay. When the Royal Navy was defeated and the entire British Empire was under the blockade of the German Navy, the only sea they could still control was probably the Irish Sea. This sea area, between the island of Great Britain and the island of Ireland, is almost equivalent to the inland sea of the British.

Morecomb Bay is just a little-known remote place. But it is precisely because of this that it has become the final gathering place of the Royal Navy's sea power. Even Scapa Flow has become unsafe. Submarines and carrier-based aircraft of the German Navy would visit from time to time to launch attacks on Royal Navy ships. And the Royal Navy was powerless to do anything about it.

In order to ensure the defense of Morecambe Bay, the Royal Navy installed a lot of anti-aircraft weapons around the naval port. At the same time, there is also an anti-submarine net. A large number of destroyers are also densely packed in the bay, ensuring that once German submarines sneak into it, they will be spotted immediately.

Now, the remaining capital ships of the Royal Navy only include the battleships 'Revenge', 'Resolution', 'Queen Elizabeth', 'War Spite', 'Warrior', 'Giant', 'Dreadnought' 'Battleship' and 'Tiger' battlecruiser. 7 battleships and 1 battlecruiser, although it is still a very powerful sea force. But compared with the heyday of the Royal Navy of the British Empire, it is already very different. With such power, even the basic security of the British Empire cannot be guaranteed.

However, besides these warships belonging to the Royal Navy, there are also warships from the Kingdom of France and Italy in Morecambe Bay at this moment. Among them, the capital ships of the French Navy include three "Normandy-class" battleships, three "Brittany-class" battleships and four "Guba-class" battleships. The capital ships of the Kingdom of Italy are two battleships of the Duilio class, three battleships of the Earl of Cavour class and the battleship of the Dante. The capital ships of the kingdoms of France and Italy all came to prepare to fight with the Royal Navy. As members of the Allied

Powers, the fate of these three countries is undoubtedly tied together. If they lose the war, their fate can be imagined. Therefore, they hope to win the naval battle and reverse the situation.

British Admiralty Churchill rushed to Morecomb from London. Looking at the warships moored in the military port, Churchill was greatly moved.

"It would be great if the flags flying on those battleships were all St. George's flags!" Churchill said with emotion.

But it is a pity that the Royal Navy only accounts for one-third of the 24 capital ships in the military port. The other two-thirds are warships from France and Italy.

"Your Excellency, as long as we can defeat the Germans in the next decisive battle. The Royal Navy will soon be able to return to its heyday, even stronger." Admiral John Jellicoe said.

In the British shipyard, there are still a large number of cutting-edge warships under construction. However, subject to the fact that the British Empire was completely under the blockade of the German Navy, the construction progress of these warships became slower and slower. Because building warships requires a lot of steel and other resources. After the complete severance of overseas trade lines, Britain no longer has enough resources to build these warships.

Churchill nodded: "Yes, although the Royal Navy has suffered heavy losses. However, we have not been defeated. Once we defeat the Germans, it will be time for the British Empire to rise again!"

Although, there are many difficulties. However, Churchill never gave up hope.

"Lieutenant General Martin, are they ready?" Churchill asked.

"Your Excellency, the fleet led by Vice Admiral Martin has completed its preparations. As long as the order is issued, they can set off immediately." Admiral John Jellicoe reported.

Lieutenant Admiral Martin is the commander of the fleet of twelve battleships purchased by the United Kingdom from the United States, and he is also the hope of the Royal Navy in future naval battles. If it weren't for these twelve battleships, the British would not have the confidence to fight a decisive battle with the German Navy.

"Very well, this time we have reassembled thirty-six battleships. The Germans can definitely be defeated! As long as the Germans are defeated, the British Empire will regain victory in this war." Churchill said.

"Your Excellency, I have no doubts about this!" Admiral John Jellicoe said.

"By the way, General. General Cavison's fiasco at Le Havre, will he be punished?" Admiral John Jellicoe asked.

The fleet led by Lieutenant General Cavison lost 21 pre-dreadnought ships and 13 armored cruisers in Le Havre. This is undoubtedly a heavy blow to the Royal Navy. Of course, those former dreadnoughts and armored cruisers are outdated. However, the loss of personnel made the Royal Navy overwhelmed.

"It is true that someone in the cabinet proposed to send out General Cavison. However, I suppressed it. After all, our final naval decisive battle with the Germans is about to begin. Punish the important

generals of the navy at this time. It's very suitable. It will have a negative impact on the morale of the troops. What's more, if we lose, then everything will be meaningless." Churchill said.

Indeed, for the UK now. If you lose, even if Lieutenant General Caveson is hanged, it will be meaningless, and it will not prevent the defeat of Britain. If the battle is won, the losses of those former dreadnoughts and armored cruisers will also become insignificant.

John? Admiral Jellicoe nodded, no more to say.

"Report, General Lame and General Paul are here." A staff officer reported to Churchill and Admiral John Jellicoe.

"Let them come!" said Churchill.

Admiral Lame is the commander of the French fleet, while Admiral Paul is the commander of the Italian fleet. The two of them, as representatives of the kingdoms of France and Italy, will command their own fleets and participate in this decisive battle against the German navy.

"Your Excellency, Your Excellency Commander." After Admiral Lame and Admiral Paul arrived, a warm exchange of greetings began immediately.

After that, the topic turned to the main topic.

"Your Excellency, our fleet has been here for several days. When can we fight the Germans?" Admiral Lame asked.

Now the situation in France is very difficult. The French government is eager to have a decisive battle with the German Navy as soon as possible.

"Your Excellency, Admiral, the United Fleet is also ready. Our plan can be implemented." Churchill said.

Chapter 597: Battle of Destiny (ask for monthly ticket)

7-9 minutes

"Everyone, the battleships purchased by the British Empire from the United States have been completed. Everything is ready. Lieutenant General Martin can lead the fleet at any time and return to the UK to participate in the decisive battle with the Germans. said Churchill.

"If this is the case, then we will have thirty-six capital ships participating in the decisive battle. In terms of the number of capital ships, we are no less than the Germans!" Italian Admiral Paul said excitedly.

The Kingdom of Italy played no role in this war. However, their six capital ships are what the British urgently need now. So, even though I look down on these Italians from the bottom of my heart. But whether it was Churchill or John Jellicoe, Admiral Paul was amiable. This was almost impossible when the Royal Navy of the British Empire dominated the world.

"Indeed, although the Germans are very powerful, if the three of us join forces, we still have a great chance of winning." Churchill said.

"Everyone, let's go to the office to discuss the specific combat plan!" Churchill said.

Admiral Lame and Admiral Paul, of course, will not have any objections to this.

When the secretary delivered the coffee and exited, there were only Churchill, Admiral John Jellicoe, Admiral Lame and Admiral Paul left in the office.

"Everyone, I want to tell everyone solemnly. The outcome of this decisive battle will affect the fate of our respective countries. If we can defeat the Germans, then the current situation on the battlefield will be completely changed. We will no longer be passive, you can even gradually take the initiative. It is not impossible to reverse the situation step by step and defeat the Germans again. I think everyone is very clear about what this means for our countries." Churchill said.

Admiral Lame and Admiral Paul both nodded with serious faces. They naturally knew that this war was already very unfavorable to the Allies. If there is no more miracle, they will even lose this war completely. Therefore, this joint operation of the navies of the three countries has been regarded by all countries as the last straw. If it fails, then everything is over. The leaders of all countries have already called them, asking them to do their best in this naval battle, and they must win.

Churchill was satisfied with the reactions of Admiral Lame and Admiral Paul, and he went on to say: "So, in this battle, we must solve other problems and work together to ensure that our combat effectiveness can be fully utilized. "

"In order to better command the fleet, I suggest that the joint fleet of the three countries be formally established, with Admiral John Jellicoe as the commander. Do you two have any objections?" Churchill then asked.

Admiral John Jellicoe will command the fleet. There is no way. Although, in the last decisive battle, Admiral John Jellicoe failed. However, there is no doubt that he has done his best. The reason for the failure is entirely because the enemy is too strong.

"France has no objection." Admiral Lame said.

Admiral Paul also shook his head.

After all, among the combined fleets, the British Navy is still the most powerful. In addition to the 8 capital ships currently moored in Morecomb Bay, there are also 12 capital ships purchased from the United States. Added together, there are already 20 ships. This has already accounted for more than half of all the capital ships of the entire United Fleet. In addition, Admiral John Jellicoe once fought against the German Navy, so he is quite experienced. It's better to let him command the fleet than someone who has no combat experience at all, right? After all, this is a battle that concerns the fate of the country, and there is no room for carelessness.

"Then, the two of you will be the deputy commanders of the joint fleet. You still command the fleets of your own countries. As for the chief of staff of the fleet, David Beatty will be the lieutenant general." Churchill continued.

Regarding this, Admiral Lame and Admiral Paul also have no objection. It is already very good to be able to command the fleet of one's own country. At least there is no need to worry about being used as cannon fodder by the British in the decisive battle.

"General Jellicoe, please introduce the specific combat plan!" Churchill said.

"Yes, Your Excellency." Admiral John Jellicoe nodded.

"Everyone, this time our decisive battle with the Germans is planned to be formed in the western waters of England. First, the fleet of 12 battleships led by Lieutenant General Martin will attack the German fleet. At the same time, we will lead the joint The main force of the fleet is to set off from the Irish Sea to cut off the retreat of the German fleet. Try to damage the German fleet as much as possible before the main fleet of the Germans arrives. If possible, it is best to send the German Kill all the battlecruisers in the German fleet. In this way, we will be able to gain a greater advantage when fighting against the German main fleet." Admiral John Jellicoe said.

The combat plan of the British Navy is not new. To put it bluntly, it is to gather superior forces and first solve the German Navy's breaking fleet. Then there will be a decisive battle with the main fleet of the German Navy. In this case, the United Fleet will have a great advantage in terms of strength.

"General Jellicoe, the German fleet is composed of fast battlecruisers, can we catch them?" Admiral Lame asked.

"We have barely figured out the cruising route of the German fleet. In this way, we can carry out an ambush in advance, mobilize a large number of warships to surround them, and then attract more German warships to come and severely damage them. , Annihilate them as much as possible!" Admiral John Jellicoe said.

"Everyone, the Germans are too strong. If we rush into a full-scale confrontation with them, we won't have much chance of winning. Our only chance of winning is to weaken their strength step by step, and then defeat them. There is no other way than that," Churchill said.

"Your Excellency, let's do this!" Admiral Lame said.

"Your Excellency, when is the specific time?" Admiral Paul asked.

"I will give Lieutenant General Martin an order today to lead the fleet to set off. In this way, four days later, we can launch an attack on the German fleet. In other words, this decisive battle will begin in four days! said Churchill.

Both Admiral Lame and Admiral Paul nodded repeatedly, and they had no objection to this. What they care about is not when to fight the German navy, but whether they can win the German navy.

Chapter 598: Waves and clouds

7-9 minutes

On May 12, British Vice Admiral Martin led a fleet of 12 battleships, which set off from the Norfolk base of the US Navy and sailed into the vast Atlantic Ocean. It's just that these warships are now flying the American flag. In order to keep it secret, they will not be replaced by the St. George's flag of the British Navy until the outbreak of battle.

Of course, this is because the Americans have opened the door to them. Otherwise, all this would be impossible. Among other things, even if the British bought a warship, it is not so easy to hide and get used to it, so as not to be discovered by the Germans.

The U.S. government undoubtedly took a lot of risks in doing so. Once Germany finally finds out, it will inevitably cause serious cracks in their relationship with Germany. Although a war will not break out, it will inevitably be attacked by Germany after the war. Of course, even if Americans don't do that. After Germany won the World War, in order to ensure its own status and security, it will spare no effort to suppress the United States. For its own benefit, the United States can only try its best to make Germany weakened as much as possible during the war. In this way, their pressure will be less after the war.

As for whether the combined fleet of the Allied Powers can defeat Germany in one fell swoop in this decisive battle. In this regard, the United States is not very optimistic. Although there are many capital ships in the combined fleet of the Allied Powers, their strength is also very strong. But it doesn't mean that the more capital ships, the stronger the strength. Through one naval battle after another, the German navy has established their position as the supremacy of the sea.

However, all of this has nothing to do with the United States. They are just spectators in this decisive battle at sea. And also took the opportunity to kill the British severely. Those warships with poor performance were all sold at sky-high prices. This allows them to have the funds to build new capital ships next. In addition, by seizing the British colonies, their forces successfully entered the southern Caribbean. This is very helpful for consolidating the position of the United States in this region and protecting their interests.

It can be said that it is precisely because of this that the United States has become the biggest winner in this naval battle.

After the Royal Navy was beaten to the ground, the U.S. Navy has become the most powerful maritime force after the German Navy. In addition, the relationship between the two countries is also very bad, and even a war in the Atlantic Ocean almost broke out. Therefore, the movement of the U.S. Navy has also become the focus of the German Navy. There are many submarines and reconnaissance ships operating on the east coast of the United States all year round. In particular, the Norfolk Naval Base, the home port of the US Navy's Atlantic Fleet, has become a key monitoring target of the German Navy.

The British fleet had just left the Norfolk Naval Base when it was discovered by the German Navy's reconnaissance ship. While tracking, they reported to the country. However, with the help of the cover of night, the British fleet got rid of the German Navy's reconnaissance ships.

The Atlantic is vast, even with the size of the British fleet. But it is undoubtedly very difficult to find a fleet on the vast ocean.

Kiel Port, German Navy High Seas Fleet Command. Fleet Commander Admiral Reinhard Scheer and Chief of Staff Lieutenant General Hipper are studying this piece of information.

"What exactly do the Americans want to do? Didn't they declare to remain neutral? This battle has nothing to do with them. But it is obviously too strange for them to send such a powerful fleet into the Atlantic Ocean with great fanfare." Reinha Admiral Te Sher frowned.

Although, a huge fleet of 12 battleships is nothing to the German Navy. The German Navy can mobilize a fleet of the same size to compete with it at any time. Even dispatched a fleet larger than this size to launch an attack.

However, if it is not necessary, Germany is unwilling to go to war with the United States in this war. Although, Germany already has an absolute advantage in the battle with the Allies. But it will take some time to win the final victory. In particular, the planned landing campaign in the UK will take a lot of time and resources. If under such circumstances, another war with a powerful country like the United States will inevitably make this war last longer and consume more national power.

You must know that the current situation in Germany has begun to have problems. Food and other materials are almost in short supply. The government hopes that the war will be over within a year. That way, it won't have too much impact on the economy. Otherwise, even if the final victory of the war is won, the German economy will also suffer heavy losses. At that time, it will take more time to recover.

Therefore, although the German military hopes to take advantage of this war to bring down the United States and completely establish Germany's hegemony. However, due to the limitation of national strength, they had to postpone the plan. The goal of defeating the United States is about to be placed in the next war.

"Who knows! Is it possible that the Americans still want to have a confrontation with the Imperial Navy like last time? Last time, we rammed and damaged one of their capital ships. It seems that this lesson is not enough. We have to Just show them a more powerful color." Lieutenant General Hipper said.

Last time, the U.S. fleet attempted to forcibly break into the no-sail zone designated by Germany. As a result, a confrontation between the two sides was triggered, and the gun was almost fired. But under strong pressure from the German Navy, the U.S. Navy had to retreat. Of course, this makes the United States and the United States Navy lose face. But at the same time, it also made the relationship between the United States and Germany worse.

"Will the Americans want to launch a surprise attack on us at this time?" Lieutenant General Hipper said.

"This is impossible. The Americans are not fools. Now the Allied Powers are about to be defeated by us. Even if they join the war, they will have no chance of winning. That will put them in crisis instead. Therefore, the Americans should not Then it would be unwise." Admiral Reinhard Scheer said.

"So, what do Americans want to do?"

This became a headache for Admiral Reinhard Scheer and Lieutenant General Hipper.

"No matter what, let our fleet get ready. If the Americans try to sneak attack us, then we will definitely make them pay an unbearable price!" Admiral Reinhard Scheer said.

"Yes, Your Excellency Commander." Lieutenant General Hipper nodded.

Under the command of the High Seas Fleet Command, the German Navy's breaking fleet entered a state of combat readiness. At the same time, the main force of the High Seas Fleet also left the port one after another and sailed into the Atlantic Ocean.

Chapter 599: fearless

7-8 minutes

The capital of Germany, Berlin, the Imperial Palace, Qin Tian's office.

Emperor Qin Tian is discussing the current situation with Marshal von Falkenhain, Minister of War and Chief of the General Staff, and Marshal Earl Tirpitz, Minister of the Navy.

"Your Majesty, the Imperial Army has just won victory in Le Havre. More than 200,000 British Expeditionary Forces have surrendered to the Imperial Army. However, the commanders of the British Expeditionary Force have fled Le Havre. Fleeing back to the British mainland. Judging from the current situation, the British Expeditionary Force has been regarded as annihilated. Except for a small number of troops in its 2nd Army, which is in southern France, the rest of the troops have been wiped out. We wiped it out." Von Falkenhain smiled.

After the British Expeditionary Force was wiped out, the German army had almost won the final victory on the European battlefield. Although the French are still resisting, it is only a matter of time before they are completely defeated.

"Very well, after the British Expeditionary Force was wiped out, the French may not be able to hold on for long. Although, they are still fleeing southward. But France is not very big in total. Where can they escape? Wait until our After the troops continue to move south and further press their living space, they will have nowhere to escape. At that time, they will have no other choice but to surrender to the empire. Of course, at that time, whether to surrender or not, it doesn't make any sense anymore." Qin Tian said.

Now Qin Tian has a great sense of accomplishment. Because he felt that he had changed history. In another time and space, Germany lost the war. But now, less than a year has passed since the outbreak of the war, but Germany has completely established the victory, and it will not be long before the final victory. This undoubtedly means that Germany will soon be able to win the war.

"Yes, Your Majesty. The French are doomed to lose the war. No one can change this, not even God!" Marshal Count Tirpitz also said.

"The French have nothing to worry about, so it's the turn of the British. The British have no intention of ending the war. Obviously, they want to continue to resist. Perhaps, The British thought that the narrow strait would serve as a barrier for them and provide them with protection. But they will soon know that the strait can no longer stop the great German Empire* army from advancing. Our navy will let The barrier of the strait no longer exists," Qin Tian said.

"Yes, Your Majesty. The Imperial Navy is already making preparations. Once the army completes its preparations, it can cross the strait and directly attack the British mainland." Marshal Count Tirpitz said.

"What happened to the remaining British fleet? Is there a way to get rid of them? Keeping them is always a problem!" Qin Tian said.

"Your Majesty, the remaining warships of the British are huddled in the Irish Sea. Unless we mobilize the main fleet to enter the Irish Sea, it will be difficult to deal with them. However, the British have deployed a large number of mines in the Irish Sea. If we know the distribution of those mines and rush in, I'm afraid we will pay an unbearable price." Marshal Count Tirpitz said.

Qin Tian nodded. He also knew that although the German navy was very powerful, it was far from being able to ignore any threats.

"However, in order to ensure the safety of our army when it lands in the UK to fight, the Imperial Navy will gather its main forces and deploy at both ends of the island of Ireland to trap the British fleet in the Irish Sea. In this case, when the Imperial Army is destroyed Britain, these British warships, are useless." Marshal Earl Tirpitz continued.

Qin Tian nodded: "Very well, let's do this! I think, with the empire already occupying such a large advantage, we will soon be able to win the final victory of this war."

"Your Majesty, I just got the news. We found that the U.S. Navy has changed. The fleet consisting of 12 battleships and a large number of small and medium-sized occupants has left the Norfolk Naval Base and entered the Atlantic Ocean. At present, the whereabouts of the U.S. fleet is unknown. High seas The fleet is worried that the Americans are targeting us," said Marshal Count Tirpitz.

"Americans? What do they want?" Qin Tian couldn't help frowning. Now the war was about to end with a German victory. It is undoubtedly very uneconomical for the Americans to be involved in the war at this time.

"Your Majesty, we still can't guess the intentions of the Americans. But it is obvious that the Americans must have bad intentions!" said Marshal Earl Tirpitz.

"Let the navy get ready. If the Americans dare to get involved in this war, then hit me hard. Let them pay enough for this!" Qin Tian said.

Although, after the United States joins the war, Germany will pay a greater price in this war. However, the current situation is not as good as it was at the beginning of the war. When the war first started, Germany fought on two fronts. If the United States joins the war, it will make Germany's chances of winning very small. It is different now, Germany already has an absolute advantage, even if the Americans join the Allied Powers to fight, it will not prevent Germany from winning the final victory. It's just that that will make the war last longer, and Germany will spend more financial, material and manpower on the war.

"Yes, Your Majesty." Marshal Earl Tirpitz nodded.

"Your Majesty, the current empire is no longer afraid of other countries. Our strength is enough for us not to worry about other countries. No matter who the enemy is or how many enemies there are, the final victory will definitely be ours!" Von Falkenhain said.

"That's right, no matter who the enemy is, we will win in the end!" Qin Tian nodded repeatedly.

The current German Empire, and the German Empire in another time and space, have undergone radical changes. The German Army, on the Eastern and Western Fronts, swept the Allied forces* and was about to win victory on the European continent. The German Navy even beat the British Navy from the very beginning. Now it has become a veritable maritime overlord.

Combined with Germany's strong industrial strength, as well as the large territory and resources acquired in this war, Germany will become the most powerful country in the world in the future. This is beyond doubt!

Chapter 600: Darkness

7-9 minutes

On the vast Atlantic Ocean, a huge fleet is sailing eastward. There are more than 80 warships, large and small, including 12 battleships, 5 armored cruisers, 20 light cruisers and 50 destroyers.

Although, this fleet is flying the American flag. However, from generals to ordinary soldiers, they are all British. This fleet is precisely the fleet that Britain secretly purchased from the United States.

The battleship 'Nevada' is the flagship of this fleet and is at the center of the entire fleet. The other battleships are scattered around.

Lieutenant General Martin stood on the front deck of the battleship 'Nevada', blowing the sea breeze, feeling a little uncomfortable.

From Lieutenant General Martin's professional perspective, the performance of American warships is indeed not very good. Although the firepower is not weak, the armor is also thick. But the speed is too slow. Such a battleship is undoubtedly a typical battleship for decisive battles on the battle line.

The U.S. Navy's warship design ideas are different from those of the British Royal Navy, but the same as those of the German Navy. But because of the technological gap, their warships are still inferior to those of the German Navy. Lieutenant General Martin discovered these problems when he was familiar with American warships. It's just that the UK is no longer qualified to pick and choose. It is God's blessing to be able to buy so many warships from the Americans. Otherwise, no country in the world could sell them so many warships.

"Damn Americans, these warships are not very good, but they are sold at sky-high prices. It's a lion's mouth!" Lieutenant General Martin cursed bitterly. Indeed, even the 'Queen Elizabeth-class' battleships of the British Navy only cost two million pounds. However, the price of these warships sold by the United States to the United Kingdom was as high as 50 million U.S. dollars. This price is already five times that of the 'Queen Elizabeth-class' battleship.

"When we defeat the Germans, we must make the Americans pay for their greed!" Lieutenant General Martin thought secretly. This time, he was brutally slaughtered by the Americans, which made the generals of the Royal Navy very dissatisfied. If possible, they naturally hope that one day they will be able to make the Americans pay for it. Of course, the prerequisite is that they must defeat the German

navy in the next naval battle. Otherwise, the Royal Navy will cease to exist, let alone trouble the Americans.

"General, a telegram from the headquarters!" A communications officer reported.

Lieutenant General Martin took the telegram and read it carefully. This telegram is a battle plan sent by the United Fleet Command. Lieutenant General Martin was required to lead the fleet to reach the waters about 200 kilometers west of the island of Ireland, and launch an attack on part of the German Navy's breaking fleet to attract other fleets of the German Navy. The main force of the United Fleet will arrive later to cooperate with them in besieging the German Navy.

"Call back to Fleet Command, we will follow the plan!" Lieutenant General Martin said.

"Yes, General." The communications officer immediately went to send a telegram.

"May God bless us, and hope that this time we can defeat the Germans!" Lieutenant General Martin secretly prayed to God.

For them, this is the last chance. If it fails to defeat the German Navy this time, then there will never be such an opportunity in the future. The Royal Navy will never have a chance to return to supremacy of the seas. Even the British Empire would be destroyed by it. It can be seen how important this decisive battle is to the British Empire.

The British fleet continued to secretly advance to the eastern waters of the Atlantic Ocean, because they were flying the American flag, so they didn't have to worry about being discovered by the German navy. Even if it was discovered by the German Navy, it would be nothing. The United States is a neutral country, and the German navy does not have the right to board these warships for inspection. Naturally, it will not be discovered that the people driving these American warships are all British.

Lieutenant General Martin hopes that he can lead the fleet close to the German Navy, and then suddenly attack. In this case, it may be possible to catch the German navy by surprise. And their chances of winning will be greatly increased.

After all, the German navy is too powerful. In the previous naval battles, the Royal Navy has been taught their strength several times. Although the Royal Navy has a profound background, the quality of its officers and soldiers is world-class. However, in the naval battle, he was beaten on the ground by the rising star of the German Navy.

Therefore, if the British Navy wants to win the decisive battle, it has to adopt some unconventional tactics. Using the disguise of the US fleet, secretly approaching the German fleet and then launching a surprise attack has become an excellent tactic.

The fleet led by Vice Admiral Martin has suddenly become the key force for the Royal Navy to reverse the situation and defeat the German Navy.

On May 16, in the waters west of the island of Ireland. Three "Blücher-class" battlecruisers of the German Navy are cruising in this sea area. Their task is to strengthen the blockade of the United Kingdom, to ensure that no ship from any country can reach the United Kingdom, and to send the British all kinds of supplies they urgently need.

On the battlecruiser 'Blücher', Rear Admiral Lübeck of the German Navy was drinking coffee leisurely. For the German Navy's breaking fleet, the current task is undoubtedly very easy. The main force of the British navy has been wiped out by them, and the remaining warships can only hide in the military port and lick their wounds. The entire ocean is already under the control of the German Navy.

"Today's weather is really good. It would be even better if we could encounter a few British warships and sink them!" Major General Lübeck put down his coffee and said with a smile.

"General, we haven't encountered a British warship for three days." A staff officer said.

"Yeah! It's been three days. Such a mission is really boring. It's hard to imagine why the British are still unwilling to surrender at this point? Even if they persist, they will never win. It's possible," Major General Lübeck said.

"General, maybe the British think they still have a chance of winning!"

"Hmph! That is absolutely impossible. Even if God shows up, it is impossible to help the British win this war!" Major General Lübeck said confidently.

"Report to the general, a fleet is found due west!" The staff officer reported.

"Fleet? Order all ships to increase vigilance." Major General Lübeck ordered.