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In June 1917, part of the German 4th Army and the German 8th Army successfully captured the entire Australia. This brought the German army's overseas combat operations to an end. Prior to this, another German army also captured the British colonies in Africa.

Germany's huge overseas colonial system was finally established. Now, Germany's overseas colonies cover a total of almost 40 million square kilometers. This is why it includes all the overseas colonies of Britain and France, as well as all the overseas colonies of Italy in Africa.

Compared with the British Empire that dominated the world before the last world war, although it was called the empire on which the sun never set, it was far from being comparable to the current German Empire.

The huge overseas colonies not only provided Germany with a huge overseas market, but also provided a huge source of raw materials. It made Germany's industry start to take off again. Coupled with the fact that Germany's integration of Belgium and northern France has become smoother and smoother, Germany's industrial output value has begun to quickly catch up with the United States. It is expected that it will surpass the United States within five years, and there will be no problem.

What has also changed is the lives of the German people. Although during the war, their lives were greatly affected. Even food purchases have been restricted. However, now they are also beginning to enjoy the dividends of war.

In addition, under Qin Tian's request, the German government implemented a series of policies to improve people's livelihood and increase population. Germany's development has once again entered a fast track. It is foreseeable that Germany will become stronger and stronger in the future. It will be more difficult for other countries to challenge Germany's world hegemony.

At the end of 1917, Deutsche Shipyard.

Qin Tian, Marshal Reinhardt Scheer, German Minister of the Navy, Admiral Hipper, Commander of the Imperial Home Fleet, and Lieutenant General Richter Fels, Chief of Staff, all came here. Today is the day when the construction of the first aircraft carrier of the new generation of the Imperial Navy begins. Qin Tian and the senior officials of the navy all attached great importance to this. After all, the German Navy no longer builds capital ships, which means that the main force of the navy in the future can only rely on these aircraft carriers that carry carrier-based aircraft and attack the enemy hundreds of kilometers away.

"Your Majesty, everything is ready!" Brutt, the director of Deutsche Shipyard, reported.

At the beginning, when Qin Tian was still an ordinary prince, he bought the Royal Shipyard under the royal family, and then changed its name to Deutschland Shipyard. The first dreadnought ship of the German Navy, the "Nassau-class" battleship, was built here. It can even be said that the take-off of the German Navy started here.

Now, the Deutsche Shipyard has developed into the largest shipyard in the Empire because it undertook the construction of most of the capital ships of the Imperial Navy during the war. Deutsche

Shipyard not only builds warships, but also produces large oil tankers and large cargo ships, and its total assets exceed tens of billions of marks.

"Then let's start!" Qin Tian nodded.

"Yes, Your Majesty." Brut immediately went to make arrangements.

The crane lifted a thick steel column with a length of 50 meters to the dock. This is the keel of the battleship. The aircraft carriers of the German Navy are getting bigger and bigger, and they are carrying more and more carrier-based aircraft. This makes the aircraft carrier must have a more stable structure, and only in this way can it bear the blow of the huge hull and the wind and waves on the sea, and fight in the fierce sea conditions in the future.

When the keel was placed, the audience applauded enthusiastically.

"Your Majesty, once our new aircraft carrier is completed and put into service this time, we will have ten aircraft carriers. This will further enhance the strength of our aircraft carrier fleet!" Marshal Reinhard Scheer smiled.

"Well! Ten aircraft carriers are already far ahead of other countries. We can even consider assigning those aircraft carriers to each fleet." Qin Tian said.

According to Qin Tian's plan, each of the current five fleets of the German Navy needs to have at least two aircraft carriers. In this way, it can be ensured that each fleet of the Imperial Navy has a strong aviation force. Once a war breaks out in the future, every fleet of the German Navy will have strong strength and can deal with enemies from all directions.

Of course, ten aircraft carriers, though not a lot. However, if it is dispersed to various fleets, it will appear a little less. However, the German Navy did not just build these ten aircraft carriers. After this batch of aircraft carriers is completed and put into service, more new aircraft carriers will continue to be built in the future, making the German aircraft carrier fleet even stronger.

"Your Majesty, for the four aircraft carriers this time, the Deutsche Shipyard will build the first ship 'Deutschland', and the other three ships will be built by other three shipyards. It is expected that all four 'Deutschland' will be built in three years at the latest. Class 'aircraft carriers, they will all be in service." Marshal Reinhard Scheer continued.

The four aircraft carriers built by the German Navy in this batch are named "Deutschland-class" aircraft carriers.

'Deutschland-class' aircraft carrier, with a full load displacement of 28,000 tons, adopts a full deck, a fully enclosed hangar, and a single-sided island. It is basically not much different from the aircraft carriers of later generations. On the next-level aircraft carrier, an angled deck will be tried to further improve the aircraft carrier's ability to take off and land carrier-based aircraft.

Compared with the upper-level "Wilhelm the Great-class" aircraft carrier, the displacement of the "Deutschland-class" aircraft carrier has only increased by 2,000 tons. However, because of the more reasonable shooting, the "Deutschland-class" aircraft carrier can carry more carrier-based aircraft. The "Wilhelm-class" aircraft carrier can only carry 64 combat aircraft, while the number of combat aircraft carried by the "Deutschland-class" aircraft carrier has risen to 80. Among them, there were 24 fighter

jets, 28 dive bombers, and 28 torpedo attack planes. The overall combat effectiveness is at least 20% higher than that of the "Wilhelm the Great-class" aircraft carrier.

Four "Deutschland-class" aircraft carriers, the first ship is named "Deutschland", the second ship is named "Germany", the third ship is named "Aryan", and the fourth ship is named "Oscar".

Because of Qin Tian's emphasis on aviation technology, Germany's aviation technology is already far ahead of other countries at this moment, and it is even developing faster than in another time and space.