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Chapter 231: this is an opportunity

"Gentlemen, the British have set a trap against our breaching fleet. I must say that this is a great threat. But within this threat lies an opportunity. If we can seize With this opportunity, this will make the navy of the German Empire further ahead of the British. In future naval battles, our chances of winning will be even greater," Qin Tian said.

All eyes were on Qin Tian, as if they were waiting for what he would say next.

"According to the information we have so far, there are four 'King George V-class' battleships providing **** for the British fleet. These are four powerful super-dreadnought ships equipped with five dual-mounted 343mm main guns, is definitely the main battleship of the British Navy. If we can eat up these four British battleships in one go, the British will undoubtedly suffer heavy losses." Qin Tian said.

"However, Your Highness. The British must have been prepared. They will definitely ambush other fleets, waiting for us. Our fleet's strength will destroy the British's four 'King George V-class' battleships. It won't be a big problem. But if we fall into an ambush by the British, then the problem will be serious." Marshal von Pohl was a little worried.

Qin Tian smiled, and continued: "Let's continue to analyze. The British know that the main force of our fleet is battlecruisers. They also know very clearly the advantage of battlecruisers, that is, they are faster than battleships." Many. Therefore, if they want to ambush us, the greatest possibility is to use battlecruisers. After the British battlecruiser 'Lion' was sunk by us, they still have nine battlecruisers left, namely Three 'Invincible-class' battlecruisers and three 'Invincible-class' battlecruisers, as well as the remaining two of the 'Lion-class' battlecruisers and the just completed 'Tiger' battlecruiser. 'Invincible'

Battlecruisers and the 'Indefatigable-class' battlecruisers pose very little threat to us. This kind of thin-skinned battlecruiser is not an opponent of our advanced battlecruisers at all. Only the 'Lion-class' battlecruisers The battlecruiser "Tiger" can confront us in front of us. Of course, the previous naval battles have proved that the "Lion-class" battlecruiser is still no match for our "Moltke-class" battlecruiser. The most powerful is also comparable to our 'Blücher-class' battlecruisers. Therefore, even if the British dispatched battlecruisers to ambush us, it will not pose a great threat to us. For us, this will be a Great opportunity to hit the British Navy hard."

"Your Highness, what if the British send to ambush our fleet, including other battleships?" asked Marshal Earl Tirpitz. After all, what Qin Tian said just now was all speculation that the British only sent battlecruisers to ambush the German navy.

Qin Tian nodded: "It is indeed possible. Therefore, I think that the 'Derfflinger-class' battlecruisers we have been hiding all along can also be dispatched. They will serve as our break-off fleet in this battle. The follow-up supplementary force. Once the British ambush appeared, they immediately launched an attack and dealt a fatal blow to the British."

The 'Derfflinger-class' battlecruiser is completely different from another time and space. This time-space "Derfflinger-class" battlecruiser is equipped with three terrifying battlecruisers with triple 50-caliber 380mm main guns. The firepower of the main gun is astonishing. At the same time, in terms of defense, compared with the previous "Moltke-class" battlecruiser, it has also been greatly improved. It can be said that even if it is a confrontation with the British battleships, the first to be unable to support it is definitely the British battleships. Before the follow-up "Makensen-class" battlecruisers enter service, this will be the most powerful battlecruiser in the German Navy and even in the world.

After the "Derfflinger-class" battlecruisers entered service, they have been kept under high secrecy. Although the British tried their best to find out the true strength of the German Navy, they still failed.

Although, Germany invests huge sums of money in intelligence work and counter-espionage work every year. However, it now appears that these investments have undoubtedly paid off. And now is the time to reap those rewards.

"Let the 'Derfflinger-class' battlecruisers join the battle? Your Highness, have you considered it? If the 'Derfflinger-class' battlecruisers join the battle, the British will know that we have equipped with 380mm main guns There's news about the battleship." Marshal Earl Tirpitz frowned.

"It's not a big deal. Even if our 'Derfflinger-class' battlecruisers are not exposed, the British will not slow down their shipbuilding plan. According to the latest information obtained, the British 'Queen Elizabeth The construction speed of the "Revenge-class" battleship and the "Revenge-class" battleship have been greatly accelerated, and they are expected to enter service next year. Therefore, there is no need for us to hide any longer. If we can cause heavy damage to the British Navy in this battle, Then, everything will be worth it." Qin Tian said.

"Your Excellency, Marshal, Your Highness's plan is absolutely feasible. If we can severely damage the British navy, even if we only sink four British battleships in this battle, it will be enough for us to further maintain our advantage over the British. That If we do, our chances of winning will be even greater in future naval battles." Admiral Reinhard Scheer said.

Even Marshal von Bohr, chief of staff of the navy, couldn't help but nodded, approving Qin Tian's plan.

Indeed, for the senior officials of the German Navy, what they want to do most is to defeat the Royal Navy. It's just that the background of the British navy is so strong that they have to face it cautiously. Every step must be done carefully. This time the plan, although a bit risky. But the chances of success are undoubtedly great. No matter how bad it is, even if it is really dangerous, these battlecruisers of the German Navy can completely use their speed advantage to throw off the enemy and escape. After all, the battlecruisers of the German Navy are much more powerful than those of the British Navy. If the British battlecruisers dared to pursue them, they would undoubtedly be courting death.

"Well, since everyone thinks so, let's implement His Highness's plan." Marshal Earl Tirpitz nodded.

"Gentlemen, this will be a rare opportunity for the Imperial Navy. Whether you can seize this opportunity is up to you." Qin Tian is also full of expectations for this plan.

Chapter 232: preview before the war

On the night of September 1, 1914, three huge warships slowly sailed out of the Wilhelmshaven Naval Base. Escorted by several light cruisers and destroyers, they left the naval port and sailed into the vast Atlantic Ocean. These three huge battleships are the "Derfflinger-class" battlecruisers of the German Navy, and they are also powerful capital ships that the German Navy has been hiding in the snow.

In order to hide their strength, they were not even sent out during the battle of breaking the diplomatic relationship. But now, in order to break the trap set by the British and make the British suffer a big loss, Qin Tian finally decided to send them out.

Admiral Reinhardt Scheer, commander of the German Navy's High Seas Fleet, personally directed this operation. Therefore, he took the battlecruiser

"Derfflinger" as his flagship, commanded these battlecruisers, and joined the upcoming naval battle.

Although, it is already night. But under the bright moonlight, the figure of the "Derfflinger-class" battlecruiser still looks so tall and straight, with a strong deterrent force. In particular, the 380mm main gun covered by a thick gun coat exudes a fearful atmosphere.

Admiral Reinhardt Scheer, standing on the bridge, looked at the huge battleship under his feet, feeling overwhelmed. As the commander of the High Seas Fleet, the burden on his shoulders is undoubtedly very heavy. It can be said that he shouldered the dream of the German navy defeating the British navy and dominating the world's oceans. If it is a person with a weak will, it may have been crushed long ago. However, Admiral Reinhard Scheer did not. Because of the strong strength of the German Navy's High Seas Fleet, his waist can always be straight.

"Come on, British. This time, let you see the true strength of the German Empire Navy. The current German Empire Navy is no longer the weak offshore navy. We have enough strength to defeat you and let you know , the price of provoking the German Empire." Admiral Reinhard Scheer swore secretly in his heart.

For every officer and soldier of the German navy, watching the British navy show off its power in the ocean, and even oppress Germany step by step with its strong strength, is undoubtedly a great shame to them. Now, they finally have the opportunity and the strength to take revenge. This is undoubtedly something to make them excited.

"Send a telegram to General Hipper and General Spee and let them act according to the predetermined plan. It's up to them to destroy the four British battlecruisers 'King George V'. We will be on the Germans. When the ambush appears, attack again." Admiral Reinhard Scheer ordered.

"Yes, Your Excellency Commander." The communications officer immediately went to send a telegram.

Soon, the fleet began blackout. The entire fleet sailed on the aircraft carrier under the cover of night. They will break through the blockade of the British as soon as possible and enter the vast Atlantic Ocean.

On the Atlantic Ocean, the 1st and 2nd Battlecruiser Squadrons of the German Navy's High Seas Fleet are cruising the vast ocean, looking for targets to attack.

On the battlecruiser "Blücher", Lieutenant General Hipper, who had already fallen asleep, was awakened.

"General, this is a telegram from Your Excellency Commander." The communications officer delivered the telegram to Lieutenant General Hipper.

"Haha, I knew that we would not let go of this opportunity. Order the fleet to turn around immediately, contact the 2nd battlecruiser squadron, and join them as soon as possible." Lieutenant General Hipper read the telegram, couldn't help laughing. He had received information that Britain was mobilizing a large fleet from Canada. It's just that he didn't dare to act rashly when he didn't get a clear order. Now, the German Navy's High Seas Fleet has officially made a decision to eat this huge fleet of the British, and has also dispatched the 'Derfflinger-class' battlecruisers to participate in the battle. The Navy is determined.

On the battlecruiser "Moltke" of the German Navy, Lieutenant General Spee also received a telegram from Admiral Reinhard Scheer. After reading the telegram, Admiral Reinhard Scheer ordered the fleet to turn around and prepare to act according to the predetermined plan.

After sinking the battlecruiser "Lion", Lieutenant General Spee has become a star figure in the German Navy. Even Kaiser Wilhelm II commended him and

decided to award him a medal himself. This made Lieutenant General Spee very excited. At the same time, he also liked the feeling of sinking the enemy's capital ship more.

Now, the British actually want to send a fleet from Canada back to the British mainland. Although this is a trap, it still makes Lieutenant General Spee very excited. If he can seize this opportunity, the fleet under his command may achieve another or even more victories. After all, the performance of the "Moltke-class" battlecruiser is unquestionable, even against battleships of the same level as the British, it still has a certain advantage. Not to mention the British battlecruisers.

Of course, if you want to pick up a bargain, it is best to bump into the British 'Invincible-class' battlecruiser and 'Indefatigable-class' battlecruiser. These two levels of battlecruisers are undoubtedly the most **** existence. Once they ran into them, they would surely die.

At a time when the German Navy had decided to eat the bait that the British Navy had deliberately laid down, the British Navy didn't know this. They are still implementing the plan step by step.

The British Navy's "Invincible-class" battlecruiser, the remaining two of the "Indefatigable-class" battlecruiser and the "Lion-class" battlecruiser, plus the "Tiger" battlecruiser, all rushed to the battlefield. This time the operation was still under the command of Lieutenant General David Beatty. He placed his flagship on the battlecruiser 'Tiger'.

In addition, the four "Iron Duke" battleships of the British Navy also secretly left Scapa Flow, entered the Atlantic Ocean, and rushed to the battlefield.

In this upcoming naval battle, the navies of both Britain and Germany have invested their main force. Although, not all the main force, but also very

powerful. And this is probably a rehearsal before the final decisive battle between the navies of both sides.

Both of them are ambitious and want to inflict a heavy blow on the other side in this operation. The German Navy hopes to take the opportunity to severely damage the British Navy and gain further advantages. The British Navy, on the other hand, wanted to get rid of the German Navy's broken fleet in one fell swoop and protect the maritime transportation lines they depended on for survival.

Chapter 233: The bait appears (ask for a monthly ticket)

"General, will the Germans be fooled this time?" On the battlecruiser 'Tiger', a staff officer asked Lieutenant General David Beatty.

"The Germans should be fooled! If they want to attack the British Empire, they must prevent us from obtaining resources from the colonies everywhere. Otherwise, it will be very difficult for them to defeat the British Empire." David Lieutenant General Betty said.

Now he has come out of the shadow of the sinking of the battlecruiser 'Lion'. Although, the loss of the battlecruiser 'Lion' was a stain on him. But Lieutenant General David Beatty believed that, with the strength of the British Empire, he would be able to use German warships to wash away this stain. He has always believed in this.

The "Tiger" battlecruiser at the foot is the strongest battlecruiser of the British Navy, although it generally continues the design ideas and plans of the "Lion-class" battlecruiser. However, many internal improvements have been made, making the performance of the "Tiger" battlecruiser a lot better than that of the "Lion-class" battlecruiser. It is precisely because of this that the "Tiger" battleship, which was originally the fourth "Lion-class" battlecruiser, was specially listed by the Royal Navy as a first-class battleship.

However, Lieutenant General David Beatty is a little worried that even the battlecruiser "Tiger" under his feet may not be an opponent of the "Moltke-class" battlecruiser of the German Navy. In that battle, the battlecruiser 'Moltke' was hit, but nothing happened. Its solid defense gave Lieutenant General David Beatty a great shock. Despite the battlecruiser 'Tiger's' performance is very strong, but the defense is still its biggest weakness. In this regard, it cannot be compared with the battlecruisers of the German Navy. Once the two sides are at war, this may become the main weakness of the battlecruiser 'Tiger'.

However, Lieutenant General David Beatty has nothing to do about it. Who made the British Navy's shipbuilding thinking like this? Emphasis on firepower and speed, despise defense. Now even if he understands that underestimating defense will bring serious consequences, if he wants to change it, it will not be possible in a short while.

"Hmph! The defense of the German battlecruisers is very strong, but so what? This time, we will definitely win. There are 'Iron Duke' class battleships and 'King George V class' battleships joining us , plus nine battlecruisers, we have already assembled 17 capital ships. The Germans broke through with only six battlecruisers. With a threefold advantage, the victory must belong to us!" David Lieutenant General Betty thought secretly.

"Victory will definitely belong to the British Empire. It is delusional for the British to challenge the British Empire." The staff officer also echoed.

Obviously, the last time the battlecruiser "Lion" was sunk, it has been regarded as a great shame by these officers of the Royal Navy. All the time they wanted to seek revenge from the Germans. This time is undoubtedly a rare opportunity for them.

"Let the 'Invincible-class' battlecruisers and the 'Indefatigable-class' battlecruisers separate, and keep a two-hour voyage with us. Be careful not to

be discovered by the Germans. In addition, let the 'Iron Duke' class Battleship formation, speed up." Lieutenant General David Beatty ordered.

"Yes, General." The staff officer immediately went to give the order.

The troops of the British Navy this time are divided into five formations, large and small, namely three battlecruiser formations and two battleship formations. Except for the formation composed of four "King George V-class" battleships that accompanied the merchant ships, the rest of the formations were prepared to wait for the appearance of the German Navy's breaking fleet for ambushes.

In order to deal with the German Navy's breaking fleet, the British Navy has done its best this time.

On the vast Atlantic Ocean, a huge fleet is sailing on the ocean. More than 20 large but slow merchant ships are in the middle of the formation. In front of the formation were four huge battleships that looked like hills. In the other direction, the British Navy's light battleships.

This fleet is exactly the fleet sailing from Canada to the British mainland. It is the four "King George V-class" battleships of the British Navy that provide **** for these merchant ships.

On the battleship 'King George V', a middle-aged admiral was smoking a cigar and observing the sea ahead with a telescope.

"Did you find anything?" asked the general.

"General, nothing has been found so far. The Germans seem to have disappeared." A staff officer said with a smile.

"Haha! I knew that the Germans were as cowardly as mice. They didn't dare to attack us at all. The 'King George V' class battleship is a powerful battleship second only to the 'Iron Duke class' battleship, the Germans If our

battlecruisers dare to come, they will definitely be blown to pieces." The general smiled contemptuously.

"General, General Betty has a telegram asking if we have found the Germans." A communications officer reported.

"Tell General Betty that no Germans have been found yet, and I don't think we will encounter Germans in the future. I'm afraid the plan this time will fail. Because the Germans simply don't have the guts to deal with us." The general smiled. Said.

"Yes, General." The communications officer immediately went to call back.

This middle-aged general is named Carroll, a rear admiral of the British Royal Navy. Although he is not young, he is still the main combat faction in the Royal Navy. Of course, the pride of the Royal Navy being number one in the world is unmatched by anyone.

However, what Rear Admiral Carroll didn't know was that less than half an hour after their fleet sailed, a submarine emerged from the sea with debris. On the side of the submarine, its hull number is marked with paint - U-48.

The submarine reported the speed, course and other relevant information of the British fleet to the German Navy Ministry through wireless telegraphy. The Ministry of the Navy immediately notified the news to the fleet in the Atlantic Ocean.

"Has the British bait finally appeared? Send a telegram to the 1st and 2nd Battlecruiser Squadrons. The bait has appeared, and launch an attack immediately. Try to get rid of the four British ships in the shortest possible time. 'King George V-class' battleship." Admiral Reinhard Scheer gave the order.

Considering that the British still have ambushes, it is best for the battlecruiser detachment 1 and the battlecruiser detachment 2 to be able to resolve the battle in the shortest possible time. In this way, they will have enough strength to deal with the British ambush.

Chapter 234: hooked

On the morning of September 3, 1914, the fleet led by British Rear Admiral Carroll, escorting a large number of merchant ships, was heading towards the British mainland. Here, it is not far from the Azores Islands. After sailing to Dong for another day, we can go there for resupply.

"It seems that the Germans really don't have the guts to come." Major General Carroll said with some regret.

Rear Admiral Carroll regretted not being able to take advantage of this opportunity to eliminate the German Navy's breaching fleet in one fell swoop. However, he and other British navy generals will not give up. This time it won't work, and the next time it will continue as usual, until the German Navy's breaking fleet has to be solved.

Of course, if the German navy's break-off fleet does not launch an attack, the British fleet can also safely arrive in the British mainland. This is also a victory for the United Kingdom.

It can be said that no matter what the German navy chooses, the British navy is always on the winning side.

However, what Major General Carroll didn't notice was that a seaplane had just left from above the fleet. With the help of the cover of the clouds, the British fleet below knew nothing about it. This seaplane belongs to the German Navy. Every battlecruiser and heavy cruiser of the German Navy is equipped with a seaplane. This can not only be used to detect the enemy's situation, but also can be used to provide artillery fire calibration. This also

makes you wait for the navy to once again walk ahead of the British in these aspects.

An hour later, a large black cloud appeared in the sky north of the fleet. These were not really dark clouds, but thick smoke rising into the sky. The battleships of the German Navy use heavy oil boilers. After burning heavy oil, a lot of black smoke will be produced.

The watchmen of the British fleet discovered this problem at the first time, and immediately reported it to Major General Carroll.

"Haha, that's great. Those Germans really dared to come. Immediately send a telegram to General Betty, the fish has been hooked. We will firmly drag them down." Major General Carroll gave an order excitedly.

Although he has great confidence in the "King George V-class" battleship, he also knows that the German battlecruisers are not easy to deal with. The sinking of the battlecruiser "Lion" is an example. Besides, the purpose of this time was originally to get rid of the German Navy's breaching fleet. If his reckless actions lead to the failure of this plan, the Royal Navy and even the British government will never let him go.

"Order the fleet and prepare for battle. The merchant ship immediately turned and left the battlefield." Rear Admiral Carroll issued the second order. Once the naval battle starts, they have no way to take care of those merchant ships. Let them go first to ensure their safety. At the same time, the safety of those materials transported on merchant ships can also be ensured.

In order to achieve the purpose of deceiving the German Navy, the materials carried on these merchant ships are all real. It would be a pity if it was lost.

"Yes, General." The British fleet was soon ready for battle.

Four "King George V-class" battleships, leading some cruisers and destroyers, greeted the attacking German Navy's breaking fleet. The remaining few light cruisers and destroyers escorted the fleet southward in an attempt to avoid this naval battle.

At the same time, Major General Carroll has sent a telegram to Lieutenant General David Beatty, requesting reinforcements.

Lieutenant Admiral David Beatty led the other warships of the British Navy, and followed far away from the fleet two hours away.

When the communications officer delivered the telegram to him, Lieutenant General David Beatty yelled excitedly.

"Very good, very good. The damned Germans finally took the bait. This time, we must kill them all." Lieutenant General David Betty roared excitedly.

"Send a message to the 1st Battlecruiser Squadron, the 2nd Battlecruiser Squadron and the 2nd Battleship Squadron, telling them to act immediately. Detour to surround the Germans. This time, I don't want any German battleship to escape." Lieutenant General David Beatty ordered.

According to Lieutenant General David Beatty, the fleet under his command is fully three times the size of the German Navy's breaching fleet. Under such circumstances, there is absolutely no problem in fighting a war of annihilation.

"Yes, General."

The British Navy acted immediately. Three 'Invincible-class' battlecruisers, three 'Indefatigable-class' battlecruisers, plus two 'Lion-class' and 'Tiger' battlecruisers, and four 'Iron Duke'-class battlecruisers , Immediately follow the scheduled plan to attack the German Navy's breaking fleet.

This time, Lieutenant General David Beatty ambitiously wanted to eliminate all of the German Navy's breaching fleet, so that the threat of the German Navy's breaching fleet to the British sea transport line could be resolved in one fell swoop.

The menacing British navy began to surround its prey. At this time, the German Navy also regarded the British Navy as its prey.

On the battlecruiser 'Moltke', Lieutenant General Spee looked at the fleet of the British Navy rushing towards him, with a smile on his face.

"Order all the ships to prepare for battle. The British are here, and we have at least an hour or more to finish them off. I really want to see, after the British reinforcements arrive, what we see is What kind of expression will a sinking warship have?" Lieutenant General Spei said.

"Haha!" All the German naval officers in the command tower burst out laughing.

Although, they already knew that this was a conspiracy against the German Navy's breaking fleet. However, they don't care. Because, they are already ready. This time, the British will definitely pay a heavy price.

"General, General Hipper called. He asked whether to send two capital ships to chase the British merchant ships fleeing south." A staff officer reported.

Lieutenant General Spee thought for a while, then shook his head: "Ignore the British merchant ships for the time being. Let's focus on the main force first and deal with the four British battleships 'King George V'."

After all, no one knows how many reinforcements the British have prepared for this time. Try to get rid of the four "King George V-class" battleships before the British reinforcements arrive, so as to ensure that they will not be at a great disadvantage in the following naval battles. As for the

British merchant ships, it would be the best to be able to sink them. Even if they run away this time, as long as the British navy loses, those merchant ships will be meaningless.

Chapter 235: battle begins

The duel between Germany and Britain in this world war is the most important duel between the navy. The German Navy wants to challenge the supremacy of the British Navy. William II wanted to lead the German Empire to replace the British Empire and become the hegemony of the world.

So, in the war between the two countries, the outcome of the navy is the most important. As for the others, they all serve this purpose. Including this time, the German navy knew that the British navy had set a trap, but it still broke in without hesitation, hoping to take advantage of this opportunity to severely damage the British navy, so as to fight for a better future for the German navy in the final decisive battle. big advantage.

With both sides intentionally doing it, the navies of the two countries once again launched a fierce confrontation.

'King George V class' battleship, with a full load displacement of more than 25,000 tons, is equipped with five double-mounted 45-caliber 343mm main guns, and has a maximum speed of 21 knots. This is a standard battleship of the line of battle, that is, a battleship used to output firepower on the battle line during the decisive battle of the fleet. The speed is not very fast, but the firepower is very strong, and the armor defense is not weak.

Of course, the British Navy's shipbuilding thinking has made their warships never comparable to the German Navy in terms of defense. Even facing the battlecruisers of the German Navy, the battleships of the British Navy can't take advantage of any defense.

The waterline armor of the "King George V class" battleship is 305 mm thick at most, the deck armor is 25 mm to 102 mm, the turret armor is 280

mm, the gun seat armor is 254 mm, and the conning tower armor is 280 mm. This kind of defense is indeed not strong. This is why the warships of the British Navy can carry large-caliber naval guns with a small displacement.

"Attack, let the **** Germans see how powerful the Royal Navy is! Let them know that the sea power belongs to the British Empire, and no one can take away the sea power of the Royal Navy." Rear Admiral Carroll roared loudly .

The four "King George V-class" battleships of the Royal Navy lined up in a battle line and rushed towards the German Navy.

"Ready to fight!" On the other side, the German Navy is also ready for battle. Three "Moltke-class" battlecruisers and three "Blücher-class" battlecruisers lined up in a battle line.

"Began to assign combat tasks, the 'Moltke' dealt with the British 'King George V', the 'Goben' dealt with the British 'Centurion', the 'Sedlitz' and the 'Brave'. Lücher, against the British 'Audacity', 'Von der Tann' and 'Leopold' against the British 'Ajax'. In the shortest possible time , sink the British battleship, and win the naval battle!" Lieutenant General Spee ordered.

All ships received orders and began to make adjustments. Because the German Navy has six battlecruisers, which is superior in number, the few battlecruisers located in the rear of the battle line can fight two against one.

Although, the "Blücher-class" battlecruiser is equipped with a 305mm main gun. However, the 305mm main gun with 50 times the caliber is no worse than the 343mm main gun with 45 times the caliber of the British Navy in terms of armor-piercing ability. Even, because of the shell problem, it was able to suppress the British 343mm main gun. Therefore, even if the "Blücher-class" battlecruiser and the "King George V"-class battleship of the British Navy confront each other, they will not lose the wind. What's more, two ships

are still fighting one. In this battle, the German Navy's breaking fleet can be said to have a huge advantage.

Of course, the only uncertain factor is when the reinforcements from the British Navy will arrive on the battlefield. If they arrived at the battlefield before the German Navy's breaking fleet severely damaged the four "King George V" battleships, the situation would not be so favorable to the German Navy. Therefore, before launching the attack, the German Navy scouted for four weeks with seaplanes to ensure that there were no other warships of the British Navy within an hour's voyage. As for the farther places, there is no further investigation. An hour may already determine the outcome of this naval battle.

Before launching the attack, Lieutenant General Spee did not ask to inform Admiral Reinhardt Scheer. The four 'Derfflinger-class' battlecruisers are still cruising two hours north of the broken fleet, waiting for an opportunity.

The battle lines of the two sides are constantly approaching. Although, the battlecruisers of the German Navy are faster and easier to seize favorable shooting positions. But Major General Carroll is not a young commander in a battle situation, but an experienced commander. He knows that if you fight for speed, the battleship 'King George V' is absolutely incomparable to the battlecruiser of the opponent. Therefore, he could only turn ahead of time, making the German Navy's plan to break through the fleet fall through.

After some probing, Lieutenant General Spei had no choice but to give up grabbing a favorable position. He knew that if it kept going like this, it would be difficult to find the right moment. And time is passing by little by little. He can be sure that the reinforcements of the British Navy must have arrived quickly. The longer the time drags on, the more unfavorable it will be to the German Navy.

"Order the fleet to keep its course, and all ships are ready to fire. The seaplane pays attention to providing calibration for the fleet." Lieutenant General Spee ordered.

The High Seas Fleet of the German Navy is no longer trying to seize a favorable position, and at the same time, the speed of the fleet has also begun to slow down. If the speed is too fast, the battleship will be more bumpy, which will affect the hit rate of the battleship.

"Huh! The Germans are smart." Seeing the actions of the German navy, Rear Admiral Carroll had a smile on his face, as if he had won the battle just now.

"Order all ships and prepare for battle. Use your naval guns to sink the German warships and let them know that the Royal Navy is powerful." Major General Carroll's fighting spirit was high.

"Long live the Royal Navy! Sink the German warship." The officers and soldiers of the Royal Navy shouted loudly.

The distance between the battle lines of the two sides is getting closer and closer, and soon, it will be within 15,000 meters.

"Fire!"

Lieutenant General Spee took the lead in giving the order to fire. Although, this distance is a bit far. Especially for 305mm naval guns, the distance is too far and the shells are too light. When shooting distant targets, the hit rate will drop significantly.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The battlecruiser "Moltke" opened fire first, and three 50-caliber 343mm main guns began test firing.

The other five battlecruisers followed closely behind and started firing.

Chapter 236: Right to Boom (seeking a monthly ticket)

"Whoo! Whoo! Whoo!"

The heavy shells, under the action of huge kinetic energy, flew towards the target more than ten kilometers away. The body of the shell and the air rubbed violently, producing a sharp whistling sound.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The shell slammed into the sea fiercely, exploded, and splashed a column of water as high as ten meters.

On the command tower of the battleship 'King George V', Rear Admiral Carroll watched coldly as the battlecruisers of the German Navy started shooting first, but he was completely unmoved.

Because of the distance, the German navy's shooting was not effective. The nearest impact point was three to four hundred meters away. Seeing this scene, Rear Admiral Carroll's face appeared even more. A sarcastic smile.

"Stupid Germans, is this all they can do? I really don't know how the battlecruiser 'Lion' was sunk by them at that time. Perhaps, those guys on the battlecruiser 'Lion' were unlucky. Alright. I hope this time, God will be on our side." Major General Carroll thought secretly.

In naval battles, luck is very important. As long as you are lucky, even if you are at a disadvantage, you may have a chance to turn defeat into victory.

After the first round of test firing, the German Navy's break-off fleet did not immediately conduct the second round of test firing, but began to make adjustments. The seaplane in charge of the school building was right above the head of the British fleet, reporting the observed impact points to its own fleet. The gunners of the own fleet will adjust the shooting position according to the point of impact, so that they can achieve better bombardment effects in the next round of bombardment.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

After three full minutes, the German Navy's fleet carried out the second round of shelling. Although this round of shelling still failed to achieve a hit. However, the point of impact was getting closer.

Next, the German Navy fired a few more rounds. Although they still failed to score a hit, the nearest point of impact was less than 100 meters away from the British Navy's warship. This is already a dangerous distance. Maybe, as long as one is lucky, one can get a hit.

The smile on Major General Carroll's face had also disappeared completely, and he also felt that something was wrong.

"Damn, is the German technology so good? It's only been a few rounds of test firing, and it has such an effect. Even the Royal Navy has absolutely no advantage over them!" Rear Admiral Carroll Exclaimed in my heart.

"General, there is something above our heads. It seems to be a German plane." An officer shouted.

Major General Carroll rushed out of the command tower and looked into the sky with binoculars. Sure enough, in the sky, there were two planes of the German Navy. They are more than a thousand meters away from the sea. Coupled with the energy of the British Navy, it was completely focused on naval warfare, so they were not found.

"Damn! No wonder the German bombardment is getting more and more accurate. It turns out that two more planes are providing them with artillery guidance. The Germans are really despicable. They can only use this method to fight the Royal Navy. They have no guts at all. Fight us upright." Major General Carol was a little out of breath. However, there is no way at all. The battleships of the British Navy are not equipped with anti-aircraft weapons, so there is no other way but to shake their fists and curse a few words.

"General, what should we do now? If this posture continues, the Germans will probably get hit soon." An officer said with some concern.

Major General Carroll frowned. The distance between the two sides is about 12,000 meters. Originally, he wanted to shorten the distance to 10,000 meters, which would be more conducive to the Royal Navy's artillery skills. However, now it seems that the wait can no longer be continued. I'm afraid their battleship will be hit before the distance is shortened to 10,000 meters. At that time, the Germans will definitely not let them get closer as they wish. After all, the battlecruisers of the German Navy are faster, and it is almost impossible for the battleships of the British Navy to forcibly shorten the distance between the two sides.

"Order all ships and prepare to fire! I believe that the quality of the Royal Navy is far stronger than that of the Germans, and they definitely cannot make up for it with two small toy-like planes." Rear Admiral Carroll ordered.

"Yes, General." The communications officer immediately conveyed Rear Admiral Carroll's order to the ships.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The battleship 'King George V' took the lead in firing, and the five double-mounted 45-caliber 343mm main guns let out a roar that shook the sky. One after another, the heavy shells roared and smashed into the battleships of the German Navy.

Although, the battleships of the British Navy also failed to score hits in this round of shooting. However, their impact point was closer to the German fleet. It can be seen that in this era, the quality of the Royal Navy is definitely not covered.

The other three battleships of the British Navy soon joined the shooting.

The battle lines of the two sides launched fierce shooting at a distance of more than ten kilometers.

Although both sides are only testing fire, the artillery fire is still very fierce. On the sea, the cannons rumbled like thunder. Cannonballs exploded in the sea one after another, splashing high water columns, as if a storm was raging.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The battlecruiser "Blücher" scored its first hit during the test firing at 10:24 in the morning. A 305mm artillery shell directly hit the side of the British Navy's "Bold" battleship. Although, the side armor of the battleship "Bold" is as thick as 305 mm. However, in the face of the shells fired by the 305mm main gun with a caliber of 50 times, it still could not resist it.

The artillery shell penetrated the side armor of the battleship 'Audacious', blasting a big hole, and blowing away a secondary gun at the same time. But it's a pity that the place where it was penetrated was above the waterline of the battleship 'Audacious'. If this shell hit below the waterline, this blow alone would be enough to make the battleship 'Bold' pay a heavy price. Even if it doesn't sink, it will be severely damaged, and even affect its combat effectiveness.

But even so, the officers and soldiers of the German Navy cheered.

The captain of the battlecruiser 'Blücher' directly issued an order to focus fire. Three triple-mounted 50-caliber 305mm main guns began to fire at the maximum rate of fire.

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"****!" Rear Admiral Carroll yelled at the sight of the 'Audacious' being hit.

Fortunately, the 'Boldness' reported later that it was not hit critically, which made Carol heave a sigh of relief. If a battleship is lost just at the beginning of the battle, the battle will not be fought at all.

"Damn the Germans, their battlecruisers are indeed very powerful!" Although it was just a fight, Rear Admiral Carroll has already seen the strength of the German navy, and it is indeed not to be underestimated. But the more this is the case, the more the British navy must defeat the German navy. Only in this way can the sea power of the British Empire be maintained.

"Very well, guys, it was just a little bit. We were almost able to severely damage a British battleship." On the battlecruiser "Blücher", Lieutenant General Hipper encouraged the gunners. Although, the shot just now did not seriously damage the battleship 'Bold', which is a bit of a pity. But Lieutenant General Hipper believes that as long as the first hit is made, more hits will be made in the future.

"The whole ship focuses fire!" The captain of the "Blücher" gave the order to focus fire.

Although, the battlecruiser 'Blücher' did not straddle the 'Bold'. But being able to hit the 'Boldness' just now shows that there is no problem with their shooting Zhu Yuan.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The three triple-mounted 50-caliber 305mm main guns of the battlecruiser "Blücher" began to fire violently. Every salvo will fire nine shells, greatly increasing the hit rate.

Maybe it was because of the poor luck of the British, or the "Audacity" was too unlucky. After the battlecruiser "Blücher" scored a hit, the battlecruiser "Sedlitz" also hit the "Bold".

During the test firing, a 343mm artillery shell hit the fortress of the "Audacious". The deck armor couldn't resist such heavy shells at all, and was easily pierced.

The shell exploded inside the ship, blowing up several cabins inside and causing a raging fire at the same time.

Although it did not hit the vital position of the "Audacity", the sailors of the "Audacity" could only control the damage as much as possible in order to avoid further losses.

Being hit twice in a row, the morale of the sailors on the battleship 'Audacious' fell to the bottom. Although their shelling continued, their aim was getting lower and lower. At the same time, the time required to shoot once is getting longer and longer.

This is undoubtedly very beneficial to the German Navy. Once the battleship 'Bold' is sunk, they can readjust the target of the attack and use six battlecruisers to besiege the remaining three battleships of the British Navy. In this case, the chances of winning quickly are even greater.

Rear Admiral Carroll also noticed the problem with the Bold, and couldn't help frowning.

"The guys on the 'Audacity', what are they doing? Didn't they just get hit by the Germans twice? They didn't get sunk, so there's nothing to be discouraged about. Let them give me courage and keep fighting. This A naval battle has just begun." Major General Carroll ordered.

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

However, the performance of the battleship 'Bold' still hasn't improved much. In this naval battle, they seemed to be playing the role of soy sauce until they were finally sunk by the German Navy.

At 10:43, the battlecruiser "Leopold" of the German Navy straddled the battleship "Ajax" of the British Navy. Afterwards, the whole ship switched to concentrated fire shooting. The situation has become even more unfavorable to the British Navy.

At 10:52, the "Centurion" of the British Navy was full of luck. In this round of test firing, a straddle shot was formed. Subsequently, the 'Centurion' began to focus fire.

However, only two minutes later, the battlecruiser "Goeben" fought back and also formed a straddle shot. The two warships began to shoot at each other with maximum firepower. As for who can get the hit first, it may depend on God's will.

"Damn! How could this happen?" Major General Carol seemed somewhat unacceptable to such a result. The battle has just begun, but they are already completely suppressed by the German navy. This was absolutely unexpected for him. Although they have two fewer warships than the German Navy, he believes that the excellent quality of the officers and soldiers of the Royal Navy can fully make up for the disadvantage in numbers.

When Major General Carroll was distressed by the current situation, good luck always came to the general inadvertently. It was as if God had suddenly favored them.

"Boom! Boom!"

Two explosions sounded in succession, and two huge fireballs rose from the battleship 'Moltke', the flagship of the German fleet.

In this round of test firing of the "King George V" battleship, he actually scored two hits at once. This is undoubtedly a burst of luck!

A hit point was located on the side of the "Moltke" battlecruiser. In the middle of the hull, a large hole was blown out, and a bunch of secondary battery shells were detonated, igniting a fire.

The sailors of the battlecruiser 'Moltke' immediately began to carry out loss control.

Another hit point was the main turret at the stern of the ship. However, sadly, although it hit the main turret, it failed to penetrate it, and the shell exploded outside. The scattered shrapnel killed the sailors on the deck, and at the same time, the huge power of the explosion also shocked the German sailors in the turret to death. But such injuries are nothing to a huge battlecruiser.

"Report the loss!" Lieutenant General Spey roared.

"General, the side was hit, and there is no major problem. The No. 3 main turret was hit, but it was not penetrated. The gunner needs to be replaced." The staff officer quickly reported.

Lieutenant General Spei breathed a sigh of relief after hearing this.

"Order all units to conduct loss control immediately. No. 3 main turret, continue to fire in the shortest possible time." Lieutenant General Spee ordered.

"Yes, General."

"Long live! Long live the British Empire!"

On the battleship 'King George V', the officers and soldiers of the British navy have already cheered.

"God bless us, sink the **** Germans."

Major General Carroll also had a smile on his face. However, when the gunpowder smoke cleared and the battlecruiser 'Moltke' was almost intact, the expression on his face became stiff all of a sudden.

Chapter 238: can't stand it anymore

"God! How is this possible? We obviously scored two hits, but we only caused minimal damage to the opponent." Major General Carroll looked like he had seen a ghost.

In his opinion, the two shells scored a hit, which could at least cause a lot of damage to the battlecruiser of the German Navy. In particular, there was another shell that hit the main turret of the battlecruiser 'Moltke'. If the main turret can be penetrated, not only can the main turret be destroyed, but it can even further cause greater damage.

However, the final result was completely beyond his expectations.

"Damn, are the defenses of German warships so strong? If they are all like this, then there is no way to fight this battle." Major General Carol felt a very bad feeling in his heart. .

In fact, the reason why the shells fired by the battleship 'King George V' could not penetrate the armor of the battlecruiser 'Moltke' was of course because the turret armor of the battlecruiser 'Moltke' was very thick. , Another very important reason is that there are problems with the shells fired by the warships of the British Navy. The fuzes are too sensitive and will explode upon collision, which greatly weakens the armor-piercing ability of the shells. After all, for a battleship or battlecruiser with thick armor, if you want to seriously damage the opponent, you have to penetrate its armor. However, the shells of the British Navy exploded before penetrating the armor, so naturally they could not cause more damage to the opponent.

The battle began to become more intense. However, the British Navy was very aggrieved. Their warships are battleships! But they have another feeling, as if their own battleship is a battlecruiser with weak armor, while the opponent's battlecruiser is a battlecruiser with thick armor.

This is the consequence of the different shipbuilding ideas of Britain and Germany. The German Navy focused on the defense and survivability of warships. The British Navy, on the other hand, sacrificed defense and increased the firepower and speed of its warships. However, in naval battles, you must first save yourself so that you can better kill the enemy. While

ensuring its own strong defense, the German navy also made breakthroughs in firepower and speed. This allowed the warships of the German Navy to completely suppress the warships of the British Navy, and naturally gained an advantage in naval battles.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

Naval battles have become more and more intense, even though the British navy has fallen into a disadvantage. However, they are still insisting on fighting back. The German Navy, on the other hand, hopes to be able to injure as much as possible or even sink the battleships of the British Navy while occupying an advantage, so as to turn its external advantages into substantive advantages.

"Boom!"

The battleship 'Audacious' was hit again, this time, the command tower was hit. A 305mm artillery shell hit the conning tower hard. The armor with a thickness of 280 mm is simply unable to resist the shells fired by the main gun with a caliber of 50 times. The final result was that the armor was penetrated and the shell exploded in the conning tower.

The violent explosion killed all the officers in the command tower, including the captain. This caused confusion in the command of the battleship 'Bold'.

The battlecruisers 'Blücher' and 'Sedlitz' seized this opportunity and launched more intense shelling.

In the next five minutes, the battleship 'Bold' was once again hit by a full six shells, two of which were 343mm shells and four of which were 305mm shells.

A big hole was blown out at the waterline of the battleship 'Audacity', and sea water began to pour into the battleship frantically. In addition, the steering

gear at the stern was also directly blown up, and the sea water poured into the battleship from the fracture.

The superstructure of the hull was also destroyed in the explosion, and a raging fire ignited.

After being hit many times, the fate of the battleship 'Bold' came to an end. For a huge battleship with a displacement of 25,000 tons, it is undoubtedly very difficult to be sunk. Of course, if the vitals are hit, that's another story.

"General, the 'Boldness' suffered heavy damage and requested to abandon the ship." The communications officer reported to Rear Admiral Carroll.

Major General Carol closed his eyes in pain, did not speak, but nodded.

Before the sinking, a considerable part of the sailors on the battleship 'Bold' evacuated to the lifeboats, but there were still many people who did not have time to evacuate in time, and sank into the cold Atlantic seabed together with the battleship.

The doom of the British Navy did not end with the sinking of the "Bold". Only five minutes later, the battleship 'Centurion' followed in the footsteps of the battleship 'Bold'.

In this round of salvo fired from the battleship "Goeben", two shells scored hits. A shell hit a funnel of the Centurion. The chimney fell, knocking out No. 3 turret and making it impossible to fire.

Another shell directly killed the battleship 'Centurion'. This shell hit the No. 4 main turret on the stern of the battleship 'Centurion'. The 280 mm thick turret armor looked so weak in front of the 343 mm shells, it was easily penetrated like paper.

What's more terrible is that at this moment, there are two 343mm shells and hundreds of kilograms of bullets in the gun bore. After the shells exploded, both the shells and the bombs were martyred as a result.

The fire spread to the ammunition depot under the barrel, and the fire door did not close in time due to a malfunction.

So, the tragedy happened like this.

Under the burning of the fire, hundreds of 343mm shells in the ammunition depot exploded.

"Boom!"

An earth-shattering explosion sounded on the sea, and the battleship 'Centurion' was lifted out of the water during the explosion, and then hit the sea heavily.

When the gunpowder smoke dissipated, it could be clearly seen that the stern part of the battleship 'Centurion' had disappeared, as if it had been bitten by some monster.

The sea frantically poured into the hull of the "Centurion" battleship, causing the battleship to sink. In the end, the battleship "Centurion" sank into the Atlantic Ocean directly with the stern down and the bow up.

After the battleships 'Bold' and 'Centurion' were sunk one after another, the situation became more and more unfavorable to the British Navy. On the battlefield, they only had two battleships left. The six battlecruisers of the German Navy were almost intact.

Chapter 239: The arrival of reinforcements (1300 votes plus updates)

"General, the Centurion has sunk, what should we do now?"

Everyone looked at Major General Carol, waiting for his decision. Two battleships were sunk in succession, making the British Navy now in an

absolute desperate situation. The six battlecruisers of the German Navy were also hit. However, they were all minor injuries, which did not have much impact on their combat effectiveness.

This also made the gap between the two sides on the battlefield further widened. The two British battleships will face the siege of six German battlecruisers. It can be seen from the previous battles how powerful the battlecruisers of the German Navy are. Therefore, it is obvious what kind of result this will have.

"Send a telegram to General Betty, telling him that we are about to fail. If we can't arrive at the battlefield within half an hour, I'm afraid we will have to collect the corpse." Major General Carroll ordered.

Originally, David Betty hoped that Major General Carroll would be able to last at least two hours. In this case, he can deploy calmly. But how did they know that the four "King George V-class" battleships could not hold on so quickly under the siege of six battlecruisers of the German Navy.

"Yes, General." The communications officer immediately went to send a telegram. They all hope that the reinforcements can arrive as soon as possible. Otherwise, they might follow in the footsteps of the battleships "Centurion" and "Bold" and go to the bottom of the Atlantic to feed the fish.

On the other side, the German Navy has already begun to celebrate victory.

Lieutenant General Hipper, regardless of the danger of the battlefield, went directly to the battlecruiser "Moltke" in a transportation boat, and discussed the next battle with Lieutenant General Spee.

"Redistribute the strike targets. Try to kill the remaining two British battleships in the shortest possible time." Lieutenant General Hipper said excitedly.

Lieutenant General Spei nodded. He was already very satisfied with being able to achieve such a great result in this battle. However, any general of the navy would probably not refuse such a good opportunity to expand the results of the battle.

"British reinforcements must be on their way. Maybe they will arrive soon. If they can sink the remaining two British battleships before their reinforcements arrive, Even if we have to retreat when the time comes, we will make money this time." Lieutenant General Spei said.

If all four "King George V-class" battleships of the British Navy can be sunk in one fell swoop in this battle, this is already a major victory. After all, if the decisive sea battle between the two sides has not yet begun, if the German navy can score zero to five, this will definitely be a serious blow to the British navy. In future naval battles, the possibility of the German navy winning will also be greater.

"May God bless the German Empire!" Lieutenant General Hipper said.

The German Navy redistributed the strike targets. Three "Moltke-class" battlecruisers besieged the British Navy's "King George V" battleship. Three "Blücher-class" battlecruisers besieged the "Ajax" battleship.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The violent shelling continued, shells continued to drop from the sky, and water jets splashed around the battleships 'King George V' and 'Ajax'. These two huge battleships, like being in a storm, may capsize at any time.

Beyond the battlefield, three battlecruiser detachments and one battleship detachment of the British Navy are rushing to the battlefield. All three battlecruiser squadrons have increased their speed to 25 knots. Even the four "Iron Duke" battleships increased their speed to 20 knots.

On the battlecruiser 'Tiger', Lieutenant General David Beatty had a serious expression on his face.

The German Navy's breaking fleet took the bait, which did not surprise him. He knew that those German naval destroyers cruising in the Atlantic Ocean were like hungry wolves on the prairie. When they saw Fat Girl's prey, they would definitely pounce on them.

However, the current battle situation seems to be somewhat unfavorable for the British Navy. The four "King George V-class" battleships led by Major General Carroll have been suppressed, even at a disadvantage. This made David Betty very anxious, for fear that the tragedy of the sinking of the battlecruiser 'Lion' last time would happen again. Although, the defense of the "King George V-class" battleship is much stronger than that of the "Lion-class" battlecruiser. But Lieutenant General David Betty still had no confidence in his heart.

"General, an urgent telegram from General Carroll." A staff officer sent a telegram to Lieutenant General David Betty with a look of panic.

After Lieutenant General David Betty read the telegram, his face was as dark as the bottom of a pot. He never expected that in such a short period of time, two battleships were sunk. This is undoubtedly a serious blow to the British Navy. No wonder Major General Carroll urgently asked for help. Under such circumstances, he would also be unable to hold on.

"Order the battlecruiser squadrons to speed up. They must arrive at the battlefield within half an hour. Let the first battlecruiser squadrons also speed up. Our enemy is stronger than we imagined." David Betty The lieutenant general ordered.

"Yes, General." The communications officer immediately issued Lieutenant General David Betty's order.

The nine battlecruisers increased their speed again, raising their speed to over 26 knots. If it weren't for the fear of causing irreparable damage to the boiler of the battleship, they would continue to pressurize the ventilation to further increase the speed of the battleship.

The four "Iron Duke" battleships are also starting to speed up. It's just that, as a first-class standard battleship, its maximum speed is only 21.25 knots. Being able to maintain a speed of 21 knots is already commendable.

But now it is extremely urgent. If they cannot arrive in time, the remaining two "King George V-class" battleships may also be sunk. Therefore, Lieutenant General David Beatty had no choice but to order to go at full speed.

On the battlefield, the six battlecruisers of the German Navy are still relying on their absolute superiority in numbers to besiege the remaining two battleships of the British Navy. The battleships "King George V" and "Ajax" have been hit many times. However, none of them were hit.

"Report! The seaplane found the British warships. They came from the south, east and west respectively, and there were nine battlecruisers."

Chapter 240: furious betty

During the fierce battle, the seaplanes of the German Navy also scouted around the battlefield. Therefore, they were able to discover that the reinforcements of the British Navy had rushed to the battlefield at the first time. However, because the four "Iron Duke" battleships rushed to the battlefield from the north. At the same time, because the speed was too slow, it fell behind, so it was not discovered by the seaplane in time.

"British reinforcements are still here. They actually dispatched nine battlecruisers, coming from three directions. Obviously, they want to catch us all!" Lieutenant General Hipper sighed.

"It's time to come. If we don't come, we will eat all the bait. However, do the British think they can defeat us by sending only these nine battlecruisers? That would be too small for us." Lieutenant General Spee sneered.

Indeed, with the strength of the German Navy's breaking fleet, it is obviously impossible to defeat them with just nine battlecruisers. The previous naval battle has already proved everything. This is especially true when the British Navy's "Invincible-class" battlecruisers and "Indefatigable-class" battlecruisers have relatively **** combat effectiveness.

"Hurry up and sink the British 'King George V' and 'Ajax'. Then, have a good fight with the British battlecruisers. Let them know that their war How big is the gap between the cruisers and us." Lieutenant General Hipper was also full of confidence. Although, there were nine British battlecruisers that appeared, three more than them. However, don't forget that they also have three powerful "Derfflinger-class" battlecruisers ready to go into battle at any time.

The 'Derfflinger-class' battlecruiser is a powerful battlecruiser equipped with a 380mm main gun. It not only has powerful firepower, but also has amazing defense. Facing the battlecruisers of the British Navy, they can be easily beaten.

Lieutenant General Spee also laughed, as if seeing the scene where his own "Derfflinger-class" battlecruisers ravaged those British battlecruisers.

"Order the ships to continue shooting. In addition, report the arrival of the British reinforcements to General Scheer." Lieutenant General Spee ordered.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The six battlecruisers of the German Navy kept firing. The dense shells slammed into the two battleships of the British Navy. Such intensive firepower made the British sailors on the two battleships miserable. They kept praying to God that the shells would not hit them.

"General, General Betty told us to hold on for another half an hour. They will arrive at the battlefield within half an hour." A communications officer reported to Major General Carroll.

"Half an hour? Guys, if we persist for another half an hour, we will win. At that time, we will definitely be able to kill all these Germans who are showing off their might." Major General Carroll finally breathed a sigh of relief. They would be much safer if reinforcements arrived in time. Although the current situation is very critical, it shouldn't be a big problem if you persist for half an hour.

"Long live! Long live the Royal Navy!" The officers and soldiers of the British Navy cheered. This makes them seem to have a kind of joy for the rest of their lives.

It's just that God always seems to like to play tricks on people. Before the joy of the officers and men of the British Navy was sold, tragedy struck.

The battleship 'Ajax' was in a very embarrassing situation under the siege of three 'Blücher-class' battlecruisers. The hull has been hit in many places. Even though the "Blücher-class" battlecruiser is equipped with a 305mm main gun, the shells fired by the main gun with a caliber of 50 times have a strong armor-piercing ability. The armor of the "Ajax" battleship simply resists Can't stand the powerful shells.

The reason why the current battleship "Ajax" has not been seriously injured is entirely due to good luck. Otherwise, it might have been sunk long ago.

However, good luck always runs out. God can't always bless this battleship.

"Boom! Boom!"

The battlecruiser 'Von der Tann' performed mediocly in this battle, and did not have any outstanding records. This made the naval officers and soldiers on the battleship very upset.

However, good luck seems to have come all at once.

In this round of salvo, the battlecruiser 'Von der Tann' scored a crucial hit.

A 305mm artillery shell hit the middle of the battleship 'Ajax'. The shell penetrated the armor of the battleship and hit the boiler room of the battleship. After the bomb exploded, the huge power blasted the entire boiler room into a mess. The high-temperature steam in the boiler leaked out, killing the British sailors inside in an instant. At the same time, it also greatly affected the power of the battleship. The speed of the battleship began to slow down.

"Good job!" Lieutenant General Hipper saw this scene and couldn't help clapping his hands.

In a fierce naval battle, once a warship loses its power, it will almost have to wait to die. This is especially true when under siege by the enemy.

Three "Blücher-class" battlecruisers took this opportunity to launch a more violent attack on the "Ajax" battleship. For a moment, shells fell like raindrops around the battleship 'Ajax'.

Rear Admiral Carroll on the battleship 'King George V' closed his eyes in pain. He knew that the battleship 'Ajax' was finished this time.

"God! Is the British Empire really going to lose this time?" Major General Carroll couldn't help asking such a question in his heart. You know, as the maritime hegemon, the navy of the British Empire has always been the number one in the world. But after the outbreak of this war, the Royal Navy has been suppressed by the German Navy. Although the decisive battle between the two sides has not yet begun, the Royal Navy has already lost

three capital ships, and now it is about to lose the fourth ship. In contrast, the German Navy did not lose a single ship. This gap is really too big.

"Boom!"

The battleship 'Ajax' was hit again, and the superstructure was already on fire. The sailors above have already begun to flee for their lives. They themselves have decided to abandon this battleship.

The battleship 'Ajax' is like a shell magnet, attracting shells from all directions.

In just a few minutes, the battleship 'Ajax' was hit more than ten times. The fragile hull could no longer hold on, and broke directly. In just five minutes, the battleship sank into the sea.

"General, I just got the news that the 'Ajax' has sunk." On the battlecruiser 'Tiger', the staff officer reported to Lieutenant General David Beatty.

"Asshole! Damn the Germans, you have already sunk our four battleships. Today, you must pay with your blood!" David Betty said furiously.