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Chapter 316 Ran Yue Vs. Steffanie

After getting over their first fight, Ran Xueyi and Song Yu Han stayed inside the hospital room, not knowing that the country was on its manhunt, searching for the unknown actress who got into an accident.

On Weibo, many star-chasers were still searching around and even accidentally dug up too much that another scandal involving two artists found dating was uncovered completely. The two artists were dragged around by their fans and were torn apart because their companies had to deny all rumors about them in order to appease their fans.

At the same time, in White City, Director Xiao still went along with the production crew's schedule and filmed other actors' scenes while Ran Xueyi was gone.

"Cut!"

Director Xiao called out as Steffanie and Ran Yue paused immediately from their roles. They could feel the sweat on their bodies, almost soaking their costumes and wiping off the makeup on their faces.

"What's going on with you, Steffanie? You too, Ran Yue? Why are you acting so stiff in front of the camera even a monkey could act when its in front of a camera!"

"Do you still need me to teach you how to act?"

Ran Yue did not say anything and only lowered her eyes. But Steffanie frowned severely and clenched her fists under her sleeves. Director Xiao's complaints about their acting was not unfounded since they made mistakes just now, but how could he humiliate her as if she was on the same level as Ran Yue?

Director Xiao was not afraid of Steffanie and continued scolding her. "Especially, you, Steffanie! Did you really read your character description?"

Hearing such a question was tantamount to not reaching a deep understanding with her role. This was an insult to any actor and actress, and Steffanie had to bite her lips from talking back to him.

Director Xiao, however, did not care that everyone was looking at them and continued: "You are supposed to be Chen Miao's cousin who is gentle and kind, who will side with her and also become her protector. So, why do you look like some green tea b*tch who cannot wait to take Chen Miao's place?!"

A/N: Green tea b*tch - a seemingly innocent and charming lady but really a superficial and fake woman who has evil intentions.

Chen Miao was Ran Yue's character in the TV drama. Ran Yue only did a few mistakes, but because of Steffanie's provocation, she actually got scolded by the director. Ran Yue was naturally not feeling good but hearing Director Xiao call Steffanie a green tea b*tch, the stuffiness inside her heart was cleared away instantly.

"3, 2, 1! Action!"

The filming started.

Inside a courtyard, Chen Miao crumpled down on the ground and cried tearfully. Her cousin, Chen Rou hurried to hold her up, but Chen Miao was overwhelmed by emotions after learning that she was to marry the old and shriveled Duke Lin, and pushed her away.

The amount of strength that Ran Yue put into her push was not that great, but it still made Steffanie take a few steps back and unceremoniously fall to her butt.

Chen Miao shouted: "Don't touch me!"

"You..." Steffanie was upset after being pushed hard and glared at her.

Director Xiao stepped in. "Cut! Do it again!"

"Don't touch me!" Ran Yue pushed her once again.

Steffanie was pushed to the ground again and her pelvic bone was tortured again. She knew that she couldn't scream out in pain because this scene had to be started over again and again. That would

also mean by the end of this scene, her butt and pelvic bone will bruise and she might not sit on a chair for a while.

"Miao-jie, what's wrong? Why are you crying?" Chen Ruo crawled back to Chen Miao's side.

Chen Miao sobbed. "It's because of them! Why can't they find a suitable husband for me? Why did they have to choose that man for me to marry!"

"What do you mean? Duke Lin is a man that even the emperor respects."

"So what if the emperor respects him? Will that save me from his hands?" Chen Miao continued to cry loudly and swiped the things on top of the table, producing a crisp crashing sound from the things that fell on the floor.

"Shh! Miao-jie, what are you going to do if somebody hears you? Pl...please--"

"Cut! Let's start on that part!"

The fourth try started.

Steffanie was about to lose her mind. Why was the director only noticing her mistakes?

After repeating several parts of the scene a few times, the scene between Ran Yue and Steffanie was finally done.

Steffanie pushed open her dressing room and threw the jade hairpin to the ground. It cracked into two parts and as if she wasn't satisfied with it, Steffanie even stomped on it as she coldly scolded Director Xiao inside the room.

"That dumb director! Who does he think he is? Just because he's the director, he can just humiliate me in front of everyone! Let's see if he can still laugh when my father hears this!" Steffanie was about to reach for her phone to call her father, but was stopped by her manager.

It was a new manager who replaced Shi Lian, who was now hiding.

"Director Xiao is not your father's subordinate. You cannot report every little thing to your father." The new manager took the phone away from her hands.

"I don't care! Did you see how he scolded me in front of everyone!" Steffanie was angry but remembered that Shi Lian was no longer by her side and couldn't take her anger out on her new manager.

With a slightly good-looking face and tall figure, the new manager was really in line with her type of guy and Steffanie did not have the heart to slap him either.

"Are you not feeling well today? You don't seem to be in the right state of mind. Why don't I ask Director Xiao to give you a break today?"

Steffanie was currently fuming after getting several NG ("No Good" scenes) from the director. She felt small after being called out again and again.

"No... If I leave today, people will only talk more behind my back. I don't want to make everyone think that I got scared away and left."

Besides, she was in a good mood today. Ran Xueyi was finally out of the picture and will never come back again! How could she be dejected after being scolded once or twice by someone like Director Xiao?

After thinking like this, Steffanie was rejuvenated.

However, what she didn't know is that in the next coming days, her joyful life will be filled with gloom and storm.

Chapter 317 Grandpa Ran's New Grandson-In-Law

Steffanie lived her days at the filming set freely and happily without any worries at all. First, the annoying cowardly manager Shi Lian was finally out of her clutches, hiding somewhere that she arranged for her. That useless manager can no longer pester her about her sick and about to die father since she was too afraid to come out for fear that the police would pick her up.

On one hand, Shi Lian was also afraid of making Steffanie angry with the threat of using her as a scapegoat when the truth was exposed and not being able to get out of prison without Steffanie's help. On the other hand, Shi Lian did not want his father to be relieved of the financial and medical support that Stefannie promised her.

Secondly, Ran Xueyi was not in the filming location and Steffanie can no longer see her face anymore. And even if she returns, Steffanie doubted Ran Xueyi still had the face to show in front of everyone having it been ruined and disfigured.

Ah... I can't wait for sister Jingjing to praise me! Steffanie was all smiles as she entered the restroom she didn't even notice that someone was following her.

At this moment, Ran Xueyi was playing a game of cards with Song Yu Han and Xiao Zhanzhan.

"Mommy, which one should I pick?"

Ran Xueyi said, "The middle one."

Song Yu Han frowned and looked down at his son. "That's cheating. It's bad to do that."

Xiao Zhanzhan blinked his adorable eyes and pouted. "Mommy, am I doing something bad?"

"Well... it is really bad to cheat. But since I let you cheat in the game, it's alright!"

Song Yu Han interrupted before the two could get to a conclusion whether it was alright for Xiao Zhanzhanto to cheat or not. "Cheating is only done by losers. They're not real men!"

Ran Xueyi: "..."

Their son was only 3 years old, when did he become an adult man already?

Xiao Zhanzhan paused and considered his father's words very seriously.

He turned his head and asked, "Mommy, what does A'Yu mean by real men?"

Ran Xueyi thought about it for a few seconds and finally answered, "You're still a boy so you might not understand. A real man is an adult man like your daddy. But an adult man cannot necessarily become a real man. They can be a scu... a bad man too. A real man protects, loves, and has to be

loyal to the person they love. They also respect the people they love and understand the people qho are precious to them."

Xiao Zhanzhan still didn't understand what a real man meant but hearing the sincerity and seriousness in his mother's tone and voice, it must be something that is very important. He should never forget about it.

Xiao Zhanzhan brightly stared at her. "Mommy, I'll become a real man in the future so I can protect you and love you!"

Song Yu Han timely butted in. "Mommy is already being protected and loved by me. Look for someone of your age to take care of and love in the future."

Xiao Zhanzhan did not want anyone else. "I only want mommy! A'Yu can look for someone else!"

Song Yu Han flicked his son's forehead and sneered. He then said, "Telling your father to cheat isn't what a real man should say. Besides, forget about me, your mommy will be angry at you if you say that again."

Hearing him say this, Xiao Zhanzhan didn't believe that his mommy will be angry at him, but when he turned to face Ran Xueyi, he couldn't help but shiver a little.

Ran Xueyi laughed and ruffled his hair. "Xiao Zhanzhan is still too young. Don't tease him anymore."

Since she had already spoken, the two men inside the room no longer said anything ans continued to play with their cards. This time, Xiao Zhanzhan no longer asked Ran Xueyi which card to pick from and seriously looked at his own card as if his life depends on it.

As the family of three happily played together, suddenly, Ran Xueyi's phone rang.

She looked at the number and was slightly stunned.

Seeing the change in her expression, Song Yu Han asked, "Who is it?"

Ran Xueyi: "My grandfather."

Ran Xueyi's grandfather was already old this year. After three years of not being in the country, Ran Xueyi could only check on her grandparents through the old butler taking care of them.

In the past, this couple was the one who took over the position of a father and mother to Ran Xueyi when her biological parents were having too much fun going overseas and leaving her out of their lives. They showered Ran Xueyi with love and affection that she could never get in the past. And thanks to their hands-on attention and teachings, Ran Xueyi grew up very well and distinguished amongst her peers.

Ran Xueyi pressed the answer button and said, "Grandpa?"

Grandpa Ran was silent for a second before his familiar hoarse voice poured out of the speakers. "Silly child, you finally know how to answer my calls?"

In order to not worry them further, Ran Xueyi hid almost everything to her grandfather. Not an uneasy feat since Grandpa Ran was a man who once held the business world with an iron grip with other pioneers like him. He could inquire about her and find out about everything if he wanted to. But Grandpa Ran wanted Ran Xueyi to have her freedom to do what she wanted.

Ran Xueyi smiled. Her grandfather was still the same, caling her silly and a child. "Grandpa, how's grandma?"

"You're only asking about her? What about me? You're not going to ask me?"

Ran Xueyi did not know whether to cry or laugh. "How are you, grandpa?"

Grandpa Ran clicked his tongue and said, "Hmph! I'm still staying strong and alive to this day. How can I leave this world when you haven't given me any grandchild who can sit on my lap!"

Ran Xueyi lowered her head and looked at Xiao Zhanzhan, who was still glaring at his own cards.

"Xueyi, I know your parents are wrong and they stole everything from you. But don't let it hold you back from starting over again." Grandpa Ran was worried that Ran Xueyi still hasn't moved on

from her breakup with Yang Baihua and betrayal of her family. But he didn't want her to stay like this forever.

"Listen, there's a party that will happen next week. I'll introduce you to my friend's son and see if you two can get along with each other."

Just as Ran Xueyi was about to respond, a hand took her phone away.

"There's no need to. Xueyi already have me, grandpa."

Ran Xueyi stared at him and laughed. Is this guy eating vinegar again?

Song Yu Han thought that Grandpa Ran did not understand his meaning and immediately added, "I will visit you next time and introduce myself to you and grandma as your new grandson-in-law."

Chapter 318 Taming Steffanie Chang

Ran Xueyi stared at Song Yu Han in shock. She hadn't expected him to take the phone away and say those words to her grandfather.

Song Yu Han noticed her look and raised his eyebrows. "Unhappy?"

"Nope. I'm just surprised," Ran Xueyi immediately said.

Truthfully, she hadn't planned to introduce Song Yu Han to her grandparents yet as her husband. They would be so terrified by this huge bomb that she's going to serve to them. At the very least, when they find out she was married to someone for three years, her grandmother will surely faint from shock and her grandfather will go into seclusion for a week.

And so, Ran Xueyi intended to introduce Song Yu Han as the man she planned to marry and want them to treat him as their son-in-law. In this case, her grandparents will not be too shocked when they heard she's married to him.

But her plan was thwarted by Song Yu Han.

Well, it doesn't matter. Since it was done then, there really was nothing she could do but to introduce him as her husband to her grandparents. Besides, she still needed to let Xiao Zhanzhan meet his great-grandparents and for her grandparents to spoil their son.

A few hours later, Song Yu Han tucked Xiao Zhanzhan in bed while he and Ran Xueyi went to sit on the couch inside the room.

Ran Xueyi was held by him in his arms and sighed. "By returning to the country, I had some expectations that there would be better days but I never thought that troubles would rise in every direction. Tell me, am I a trouble magnet?"

Upon hearing her, the corners of his lips twitched. Song Yu Han said, "Then you're the most beautiful magnet I've ever seen."

There was some truth in Ran Xueyi's words, but it was not her fault that everybody was itching to cause problems to her. Besides, being pretty, outstanding, wealthy, and amazing was not Ran Xueyi's fault. People were just too envious of her and couldn't take looking at others doing well.

That was just how human nature was. There was no need to complain about it.

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The next day, Ran Xueyi was itching to go to the filming location to check how everyone else was doing. But in order for her plan to be successful, she couldn't show her face to the public just yet.

It was the fifth day after Ran Xueyi disappeared that something really happened. Steffanie, who was called out for several mistakes for five consecutive days, could no longer take it and went against Director Xiao.

Steffanie no longer listened to Director Xiao and did whatever she wanted and even Producer Long, who arrived after going overseas, was shocked to see the tense and gloomy atmosphere inside the set.

Just when he entered the set for one of the scenes, he saw an actress heading straight towards the camera and kicked it until the lens broke.

"What are you doing!" Producer Long could not watch this go on any longer. He intended to watch on the side and see how everyone was doing while he was gone, but he couldn't understand why the set was even messier than an open market!

Steffanie flinched upon hearing the loud voice and turned her head to glare at the man. However, she held her breath when she saw Producer Long coming straight at her.

Producer Long was a renowned producer with a wealthy background. His family members were businessmen and they were also frequent film and movie investors. Not only that, Producer Long, himself, was a scary man with his tall and robust figure similar to a WWE wrestler.

"Director Xiao, what the hell is happening? Why are you letting this actress act recklessly like this!" Producer Long turned his attention towards Director Xiao.

"Um... It's not Director Xiao's fault, Producer Long. We tried to stop Steffanie several times already, but she threatened to shut the entire filming." One assistant came forward to defend Director Xiao.

Producer Long frowned. "Shut down what?"

Did he hear it right? An actress threatened them to shut down the filming?

Producer Long inhaled sharply and coldly said, "If I remember, you're Chang Jinhao's daughter, the current president of Lullaby entertainment. If I'm not wrong, even if Chang Jinhao owns the country's entire entertainment industry, he cannot shut down any filming crew without a careful considerations and investigations."

"Even the Film and Television Regulatory Administration cannot shut down any films without any valid reason. And now, you're saying that you're shutting us down? May I have the honor to know what is your real identity and reason for shutting the film down?"

Steffanie was embarrassed by his words.

When confronted like this, even if Steffanie swallowed a tiger's gut, she couldn't come up with any good response to that. Producer Long's words made a lot of sense and she couldn't refute it.

Her father is rich and had some power but it was limited within the premise of his company. But Steffanie acted like a tyrant princess and treated everyone else like a slave. Many directors endured working with her only because they wanted to give Chang Jinhao some face, but it was also because of their own indulgence that Steffanie's case was getting worse.

However, too bad for her, she met Producer Long, who never bent down under anyone just because they are rich and powerful. His family also came from a wealthy background and nobody dared to look down on him.

"We're very sorry about this, Producer Long. Steffanie is just not feeling well today and made this mess." Li Yiwei, Steffanie's new manager, came forward to apologize despite being glared at by her. "Please send the list to my number and we will pay back all the damages that we caused today."

After saying this, he put his hand on her shoulder and said, "Steffanie, we should go to the hospital and have you rested before you start acting your scenes again."

Steffanie wanted to throw his hand off her shoulder, but the hand only tightened and it was really painful. She glared at him as Li Yiwei brought her to her dressing room. When the door was tightly closed, she pushed him away and raised her hand to slap him.

But as if he expected this much from her, Li Yiwei blocked it and took hold of her wrist.

"You...!" Steffanie got even angrier at this.

But Li Yiwei didn't care as he said, "Miss Chang should tame your temper a bit. Your father entrusted your fate in my hands after the mistake you made last time."

"Even if I end up sending you to a low-budgeted variety show in the countryside or an R-rated film, President Chang will not question me and only ask me to take better care of you. You've caused your father a lot of loss last time and he didn't want to spoil you anymore. And yet, you still acted arrogantly in front of Producer Long."

"If you lose your role in this film, see if your father will even stop me from doing exactly as I planned!" Li Yiwei threw her hand away with a disgusted expression and left.

Steffanie did not react for a while after Li Yiwei threw those words at her. When she finally snapped out of her daze, she was so angry and ashamed. She tried calling her father to report what Li Yiwei told her just now and have him fired, but who could've known that her father blocked her number.

When she visited her father last time, he reprimanded her for an hour when he found out what she and Shi Lian had done before sending her away. At that time, Steffanie thought that her father wouldn't be angry at her for doing such a good job of ruining an annoying actress like Ran Xueyi.

But she was wrong. Her father had decided to punish her this time by letting Li Yiwei stand by her side to guard.

Now that she thinks about it, Steffanie wondered where did Li Yiwei come from? He had never seen her in the company before. Why did her father suddenly entrusted her with him and how did they meet?

Chapter 319 Guo Yun's Dilemma

Steffanie's days in the filming set were not so great after finding out Li Yiwei's true nature. He wasn't the good-looking gentle type that he showed when they first met. He was a man with evil intentions. Just why did her father decide to let him manage her matters?

As soon as Li Yiwei left, he didn't walk too far and found the men's restroom. He looked around the place a bit before making sure that nobody was inside and finally locked the door. He took his phone out and searched for an unregistered number before pressing to call it.

It took a few seconds before the call connected.

"Hello, Miss Ran?" Li Yiwei's tone became soft and polite. "I've done what you have ordered and kept Steffanie monitored. She's currently a mess right now but she still hasn't told me where Shi Lian was."

Ran Xueyi looked outside the window and replied, "Mr. Li doesn't have to report everything to me. You can do whatever you want to the person who destroyed your life. As for Shi Lian's whereabouts, I don't need you to risk your identity to be exposed just to know about it."

"But I can be of more help if I found Shi Lian's hiding place. Please let me help you as you are my savior." Li Yiwei never thought in his life, there could still be someone who could save him and his family from that hell. He naturally wanted to return the favor and help his benefactor even if it meant Steffanie could catch onto his real identity.

However, Ran Xueyi did not want that.

Ran Xueyi shook her head as if he could see her. "There really is no need for you to do that because I already found Shi Lian's hiding place."

"Really?!" Li Yiwei was surprised and spoke a little bit too loud. In order to not catch anyone's unwanted attention, he lowered his voice again and asked, "Shi Lian hid somewhere in the country and Steffanie hasn't told anyone about where she hid her. I'm surprised you can even find this information without being here."

Ran Xueyi smiled. Li Yiwei would be surprised to know what she could find. With the help of Lobo and her tracking skills, she didn't need to spend so much effort to find someone who didn't do a good job in hiding a person. The country was riddled with surveillance camera and even cellphone cameras could be hacked and spied into by someone who knows how to.

And Ran Xueyi, who not only dedicated herself to acting in Ren Country and learned how to do all this in such a short time, naturally felt that it was a child's game to spy into Steffanie's records and messages.

After disconnecting their call, Ran Xueyi looked at Song Yu Han who was smiling at her as if he was amused by her while letting their son sit on his lap, playing with his daddy's phone.

Ran Xueyi raised her eyebrow at him. "What? Are you shocked that the woman you married is like this? An evil and scheming woman?"

Song Yu Han laughed. "Would I be smiling if I was shocked?" Then, he looked down at his son and pointed his question at him, "Zhanzhan, do you think mommy is evil?"

Xiao Zhanzhan looked up at him and quickly shook his head. "Mommy is the most beautiful woman in the world!"

Song Yu Han's lips were upturned as he solemnly nodded. "That's right. Even my son can distinguish between what is evil and beautiful."

Ran Xueyi was left speechless at the duo's acting in harmony in praising her. She couldn't help but laugh at their similarities especially when the two were sitting so closely to each other with Xiao Zhanzhan on his lap.

"You know, I've witnessed some men who like their women to be gentle, humble, and kind. I'm not really like that." Ran Xueyi could only sigh and move closer towards them.

Song Yu Han grabbed her by the waist and raised his head to meet her eyes. He smilingly said, "Isn't that a bit too late for you to say this? You should have told me about this before we got married."

"Oh? And why is that?" Ran Xueyi pinched his arm.

Song Yu Han didn't even feel the pain from her pinch and replied, "Of course, so I could drag you to the Civil Bureau and marry you in that very second."

Then, he continued, "Which I did by the way. But Xueyi... don't think I'm the same as those men who like their women soft and innocent like a saint. I'm always jealous, scheming, cold, ambitious, and dangerous. I don't think any other woman could ever endure being with me."

"I don't endure being with you. I love being with you, Idiot."

"Yes, yes, I'm an idiot."

"You're also a bastard. You left me alone three years ago."

,m "Yes, yes, I'm a bastard, my wife can punish me however she wants."

Standing on the side, Guo Yun looked at the ground, wishing flowers could bloom there so he could distract himself with their pretty appearance while this couple flirted in front of him.

It was truly unfortunate for him to not escape and leave with Adelle before their flirting moment started. Now, he had to suffer and remain silent like a statue while the two big bosses treated him like other decorations and continued to be lovey-dovey.

"Big brother, are you okay?"

Who knows when Xiao Zhanzhan left his daddy's lap and walked to him. The pair of adorable eyes stared up at him and blinked in concern.

Guo Yun instantly felt rejuvenated and nodded his head. "Yes, young master. I am all right!"

"Then, why do you look like you ate something bitter, Big brother?"

Even this child noticed his dilemma, why can't his parents see it then?

Guo Yun glanced at the couple, who was still showing how a real couple should flirt with each other and looked down again at the adorable child. He felt his heart breaking before being put together.

Being called Big brother by such a cute child has its benefits after all.

Guo Yun kneeled on one knee before Xiao Zhanzhan and said, "Big brother just swallowed bitter medicine earlier so I look like this. But when I saw you, all the bitterness was washed away!"

Xiao Zhanzhan stared at him in amazement. "Really?"

Guo Yun nodded. "Yes! Just ask anyone else and tell them if they feel good after looking at your face, you'll know I'm telling you the truth!"

Guo Yun hadn't really lied to him so he wasn't afraid that the child would really ask somebody else.

Somehow, the two had built a new kind of friendship when the couple became lovey-dovey.

Chapter 320 Start Of Steffanie's Doom (1)

The next few days passed peacefully for Ran Xueyi. She got her husband and son to accompany when she was idle in the hospital. Though she really didn't need to stay in the hospital, in order to not rouse anyone's suspicions, she had to stay there. Meanwhile, Song Yu Han also ordered her to stay there to rest after nights of not being able to sleep properly.

There was no harm in staying there anyway so she listened to him.

When it was about time for her to reappear, Ran Xueyi let Adelle take care of the things that needed preparation.

At this time, Steffanie was still under the assumption that Ran Xueyi's face was disfigured. So, she had no idea that she was digging her own grave as time passed. There was also no news regarding the actress who was involved in an accident. That news disappeared from the hot topics and nobody talked about it again.

Director Xiao has been quite stressed out this time. Speaking honestly, he was stressed because of two reasons. Ran Xueyi, who was the female lead in the TV drama, was not there. Usually, she was the only one who could make him feel that the filming procedure was so smooth and unproblematic, but after she was gone, the filming crew was lifeless.

The second reason was obviously because of two people; Ran Yue and Steffanie. Especially Steffanie, who showed her arrogant attitude in front of everyone. Thankfully, Producer Long was back and she no longer flaunted her power and acted like a spoiled rich lady boss.

But still, many things were wasted because of the two actresses. Ran Yue and Steffanie were pushed into filming by their sponsors and Director Xiao couldn't refuse the investors' intentions and so he could only accept them. But with them wasting everyone's time and energy, Director Xiao only wanted them to finish filming and separate from them.

"Director Xiao! Director Xiao!" an assistant came rushing forward and loudly called him.

Director Xiao frowned and was annoyed by the loud voice. "Stop screaming already! I heard you for the first time!"

But the assistant didn't stop shouting his name and title as he reached him.

Panting a little bit, the little assistant leaned his hands on his knees and tried to catch his breath. Director Xiao noticed him like this and also didn't scold him anymore, patiently waiting for him to stop panting.

The little assistant saw Director Xiao's water bottle and reached his hand for it. He uncapped the bottle and drained the water inside it under Director Xiao's dark gaze. When he was finished drinking, he stupidly smiled at Director Xiao.

Director Xiao gritted his teeth. "Well? Why don't you tell me what's gotten into you that you screamed my name so that the entire city could hear it and even drank from my water bottle?"

Being pointed at by his words, the little assistant felt a bit awkward. He was really anxious earlier and did things that were disrespectful. But he could help it, could he?

Earlier, the crew just finished filming the last scene that morning and headed for lunch when they heard one of the staff members shouting in fright. Everyone who was inside the cafeteria was alerted by this but when they were about to treat this event as nothing, the staff member who screamed then started to panic and told everyone to look at their phones.

As if drawn by the staff member's words, everyone's phone suddenly rang and received text messages from an anonymous sender. The sound of notifications ringing one after another in the cafeteria was eerie and scary. Even the kitchen staff received messages too.

Everyone was spooked by this and was at first afraid to look down at their phone, but their curiosity got the better of them. They read the message and were stunned by the contents of it.

Director Xiao looked at his phone and saw that nothing was sent to him. Did the sender forget to send one to him?

The little assistant continued to say, "The message contained a four-minute long video. We recognized the place immediately and saw that the location was the same as the one outside! The video was too dark to show the faces of the people in it, but we recognized one of them. It was Steffanie's manager!"

"Director Xiao, what do you think is going on? Steffanie's previous manager suddenly left and was replaced, and the video didn't show much but we still recognized her. What do you think is the intention of the sender by sending this video to all of us?"

Director Xiao was silent for a moment upon hearing the little assistant's words. After a while, he shook his head. "There's no need for us to think too much about this. We are not involved in this. Let's not participate in this mess."

The little assistant felt that something was wrong in the director's face and couldn't stop himself from asking, "Director Xiao... do you know something?"

Calling this event a 'mess' and telling him to not get involved and participate in this situation was the same as Director Xiao telling everyone to not do anything. That also means that he knew something.

Director Xiao sighed and stared at the little assistant: "Don't ask about things you shouldn't ask. If you can't move with the flow of the wind, you will either get lost and fall under the sea, or stay safe and sound."

His profound words chilled the little assistant. The little assistant understood the meaning of the director's words and he could only look at his phone. Just how big of a mess was going on? Could it be that more events like this will happen soon?

As if his thoughts were an omen, the next day after the entire crew received the video, another video was sent. But this time, it was not in the form of a message, instead, it was posted on Weibo where anyone can see it.

The video was one-minute long and it already garnered 300,000 views, and it only has been twenty minutes after it was posted by a new registered account.

In this video, however, it didn't have the same content as the ones the filming crew received. Rather, it was a video where Shi Lian first approached Ran Xueyi and the two talked for a bit. The video soon cut into Shi Lian running with tears in her eyes and fear and panic was seen in her expressions after meeting with Ran Xueyi.

Shen Yi, who also saw the video, has a deep frown etched on his eyebrows. He coincidentally saw Steffanie walking past him and he grabbed her arm before facing the phone towards her.

"Have you no shame at all?" Shen Yi questioned him with a glare. "You're not even showing guilt after what you did and even spread this kind of gossip around? Steffanie, I'm telling you this, don't go overboard!"

Steffanie only felt pain in her wrist which was suddenly grabbed by Shen Yi. She hadn't expected Shen Yi to strongly react this way towards her and responded angrily, "Shen Yi, are you manhandling me right now?!"

,m Shen Yi scoffed. "Manhandling you would be slapping your face for what you did to me when we were younger. Don't confuse what I'm doing now to what you're doing right now! You harming people without showing any conscience is so disgusting, I'm even more amazed that you can look at your face in the mirror every morning!"

Steffanie struggled to get away from him.

After hearing him, Steffanie stopped struggling and slapped him. The crisp sound resounded in the corridor and many staff members who were passing by couldn't help but look at them before murmuring with each other.

But Shen Yi reacted as if he didn't see them and continued to stare at Steffanie with his eyes.

Steffanie couldn't take this humiliating feeling and sensing everybody's gazes landing on her as if she was the one at fault here.

Finally, she said, "I don't know what you're talking about. I didn't do it!"

After saying this, she pushed Shen Yi away and ran.