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Chapter 431 The Mysterious Mr. He (2)

Mr. He stopped in his tracks when he saw the woman walking together with his bodyguard towards the entrance. Ran Xueyi hoped that he wouldn't deliberately come to her. The reporters were still there and they obviously noticed something was strange with their target of the day. If they ever recognized her behind the mask she was wearing on her face, there will be a lot of troublesome things she might have to handle.

Thankfully, Mr. He seemed to have remembered that there were still some reporters behind him and decided to enter the restaurant even before she and the bodyguard entered.

However, a few reporters had been mindful of Mr. He's action and definitely saw how he had ordered the bodyguard to escort the woman who unknowingly arrived.

But before they could make a move, the girl in question who was escorted by the bodyguard into the restaurant, leaving them.

"I'm sorry for blocking you on your way to the restaurant." The moment Ran Xueyi entered the restaurant with the bodyguard, Mr. He turned around and politely smiled at her. "I am He Gui." He held his hand out to her.

Ran Xueyi looked at his outstretched hand and took it. "I am Ran Xueyi."

Surprise was written in He Gui's face as his brows rose to his hairline. The polite smile on his lips became genuine and he said, "Ran Xueyi.. The actress with the hottest traffic in the entertainment industry now?"

Ran Xueyi only smiled at that. She didn't want to admit being the biggest star in the entertainment circle today. There were a lot of other celebrities who reigned over the industry and Ran Xueyi was just another horse in the race.

"It's a pleasure to meet you, Mr. He." After exchanging pleasantries with him, she quickly left.

When Ran Xueyi walked away, He Gui's assistant stood beside him and asked, "Sir, why did you have one of your bodyguards escort her inside?"

As far as he knew his boss, Mr. He was not the type of person who would help other people just because he caught them in a difficult situation. Mr. He was a cruel man even to his own fiancée, Miss Yin. Yet, he actually helped another actress?

Just what does his boss mean by doing this?

He Gui didn't respond to his assistant as his eyes followed the back that soon disappeared from his vision.

Hearing no reply from his boss, the assistant didn't feel awkward. For it was a normal occurrence to be ignored or not getting any response from Mr. He.

"Mr. He!" A middle-aged man in striped pants and white shirt appeared and walked over to them. "I heard you were visiting my humble abode. Thankfully, I hadn't left for my flight." He looked around the man in front of him but didn't see a female standing beside him. A frown appeared on his forehead, but he quickly covered it with a friendly, welcoming smile. "My secretary told me you came with your fiancée. It seems she saw it wrong."

He Gui articulated a hum but heard the restaurant owner gleefully continue, "By the way, Mr. He... I think today might be my happiest day in years."

"Of course!" exclaimed Mr. He's assistant. "Mr. He's presence in your restaurant will surely boost your place's reputation amongst the elite society."

He Gui was the cousin of the country's former prime minister. He did not only graduate from the prestigious Oxford University, he is also a businessman by his own right. He had hundreds of millions in his assets, and finally, his family was part of the elitist society in Asia.

How can anybody not feel honored and filled with pride if someone such as He Gui comes to your establishment? The assistant pridefully thought to himself.

The restaurant owner flashed a smile, but the corners of it were slightly forced. "Definitely!" He could only cut off the things he wanted to say.

What he truly wanted to say was... There is a bigger boss in his restaurant!

But seeing Mr. He's assistant thrusting his chest forward and pointing his nose to the sky in arrogance, he couldn't say a word. Offending Mr. He was not a wise thing to do, after all.

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Ran Xueyi had already forgotten about this short encounter. She headed to the room that Song Yu Han texted her, but since it was a room intended for the VVIP's, when she reached the curtain separating the common area and VIP area, a staff of the restaurant stopped her.

"Do you have a reservation?" asked the staff.

Ran Xueyi was about to say yes when the crystal bead curtain parted and Song Yu Han said, "Yes, she does."

The staff lady didn't recognize Song Yu Han, but seeing him coming out of the VIP area spoke volumes. She no longer blocked Ran Xueyi's way and let them pass.

"Why did you come out? I was on my way to you." Ran Xueyi followed Song Yu Han to another hallway lit by yellowish-light coming from the chandeliers attached to the ceiling.

"You didn't reply to my message for a long time. I got worried when I heard from the waiter that there was a commotion outside of the restaurant."

"I see." The two finally arrived in the room. Song Yu Han took her coat and hung it by the door then sat down together with her.

After eating a sumptuous meal served by well behaved servers, Song Yu Han placed an envelope on top of the table. When Ran Xueyi raised her brows, he explained, "Printed screenshots of Bei Honglin's conversation with Fan Ning. There are also conversations he exchanged with his artist, Li Na, who replaced you in the film that Fan Ning wanted you to fill in."

Ran Xueyi finally understood. She took the envelope and opened it. The conversations between Fan Ning and Bei Honglin were quite normal. From what she heard, the two had gone back together after meeting up at the restaurant while in talks with the supposed role she wanted back then.

It wasn't unexpected. The two had a child together and it would be only right for them to be responsible parents and give their child a complete family. However, Ran Xueyi's concern and focus was not centered on this. For there were disturbing conversations and photos that followed Fan Ning and Bei Honglin's messages.

When she moved to read the exchange between Bei Honglin and Li Na, there was one thing she could describe it; disturbing.

"Bei Honglin initially had owed large debts from a shady organization. He has yet to pay what he borrowed until now." Song Yu Han added as he watched her read the countless receipts Guo Yun gathered from the organization that Bei Honglin had borrowed from.

Getting these receipts was extremely easy. Guo Yun directly called the head of the organization and they willingly released all private receipts of Bei Honglin's loan.

Ran Xueyi was struck dumbfounded when she saw the amount Bei Honglin borrowed from a company called Neocash Lending. A hundred million yuan was not a small amount of money. It could let a big family live leisurely and luxuriously for many years if they spend it smartly. If Bei Honglin started a business, he might be able to raise his money.

However, Bei Honglin's bank account only has three million inside it. Where did the rest of the money he borrowed go?

Frowning, she asked him, "Where did he spend all his money?"

Song Yu Han shrugged. "Gambling."

"No wonder—"

"And girls." Song Yu Han continued before she could finish her words. He grabbed his fork and stabbed a fruit before moving it closer to her lips.

Ran Xueyi opened her mouth and gladly accepted the fruit. Then, she said, "Gambling and girls... It took him five years to spend his money?"

Song Yu Han shook his head and presented two fingers.

"Two years?" Ran Xueyi slowly exclaimed.

However, Song Yu Han shook his head again.

Ran Xueyi paused. "Two-two months?!"

Yet, Song Yu Han shook his head again. Then, he confessed, "Two days."

"He spent all his money in two days. He gambled half of his money to a casino, but lost all of it in one game. Then, the other half of the money was stolen by a girl he had taken to his bed."

Ran Xueyi fell silent when she heard this. She didn't think that Bei Honglin's luck when it comes to money was superbly horrible. He loaned money from a shady company, gambled half, then lost another half of it. In just two days he became a multimillionaire, but he also became penniless right after.

She didn't know if it was karma striking at Bei Honglin for all his bad deeds. However...

"But what does this have anything to do with Li Na?" From the exchanges between Li Na and Bei Honglin, it looked like they had known each other very well. Even to the point of sending pictures of each other in suggestive poses and speaking in intimate tones.

Song Yu Han placed down his fork and stared his eyes at her. A smile bloomed on his lips as he revealed, "And that's where the interesting part comes in..."

Chapter 432 What Is Ran Xueyi's Relationship With YH Group's Chairman?

Ran Xueyi listened carefully to what Song Yu Han uncovered on Bei Honglin and Li Na's true relationship. As it turns out, Bei Honglin had already met Li Na in the past even before he even became her manager. However, he had no recollection of it. For Li Na's appearance had changed drastically over the years.

Ran Xueyi swept her gaze at the medical records of the actress. She had rhinoplasty, double-eyelid surgery, and jawline contouring surgeries. Li Na's past accounts of surgeries were too many, but due to having a great plastic surgeon, the change was not too obvious and people would assume her as a 'natural beauty'.

She remembered that Adelle mentioned that Li Na was also called a national treasure for having a beauty that was not at all touched with a knife. The actress didn't admit or deny this, and silently accepted all the praises. And in the end, Li Na achieved what she wanted. She was awarded as a Best Actress of the Year in the Spring Film Festival Awards after only being in the industry for 4 years. Her popularity and value also shot up to a height that some actors in the industry had to achieve in a couple of years.

Song Yu Han lifted his wine glass and took a small sip. His voice was deep and masculine as he said, "Bei Honglin might have not suspected anything yet. Li Na did very well in using her acting skill in fooling him."

Ran Xueyi fell into contemplation but then smiled. "Bei Honglin was chased by the loan sharks who demanded he pay what he owes them. Half of it was already poured into his gambling and the other half was stolen away. Now, he must be working hard to repay all his debts... What would happen if he didn't pay his debt?"

"He will lose a hand. But he owed them a hundred million so he will probably lose one of his kidneys as well." Song Yu Han didn't tell Ran Xueyi that Bei Honglin will also lose an eye and will be forced to continue repaying his debts until his death. This kind of circumstances were repeated numerously that the warning about loaning from a shady money-lending company was not ungrounded.

Even though he had basically lived most of his years in the Underworld, Song Yu Han knew how dangerous things are in their world. Bei Honglin's outcome is just the tip of the mountain.

After enjoying their meal together, Ran Xueyi and Song Yu Han safely left the restaurant through the back entrance. The reporters outside of the front entrance of the restaurant still hasn't left so it would be unwise for them to use it.

Inside the car, Song Yu Han glanced at the horde of reporters camping outside of the restaurant and frowned in displeasure. "Sorry, I seem to have picked the wrong restaurant."

Ran Xueyi shook her head. "No, it's alright. I'm used to it. Besides, they didn't come for me and their food was great." She paused and remembered something. "Speaking of which, I might have to use you for a bit, hubby."

Hearing her, Song Yu Han turned his head and tapped his fingers on the steering wheel. "What do you want?" he raised his brows at her.

Ran Xueyi smiled. She recounted what had happened outside of the restaurant. She told him about her unexpected encounter with a man called Mr. He, and how he made his bodyguard escort her inside. It wasn't a big deal, but she just didn't want to be involved in an unfair situation.

After listening to her story, Song Yu Han's eyes darkened. But still, he agreed to help Ran Xueyi. Later, he told Guo Yun to search for a man named He Gui and report back to him immediately.

Later that night, what Ran Xueyi had been afraid about soon came true. Adelle called her before midnight to tell her that there were some people who wanted to buy a Weibo topic about her and a mysterious man. The topic questions her relationship with this unknown man.

At the same time, Song Yu Han also heard the same reports from Guo Yun. The special assistant was expressionless when he video called his big boss, but deep inside, he was panicking. Thankfully, he quickly stopped the platform from letting this news come out to the public. The platform didn't lack any tact as well. They immediately blocked the contact of the person who had wanted to push the topic between Ran Xueyi and a mysterious man in the hot topic list.

However, the platform's president couldn't help but wonder about Ran Xueyi's relationship with the chairman of YH group? The right-hand man of the chairman personally called his private number to not let a topic that could lead to a heated discussion in the platform come out. Is it to protect the actress Ran Xueyi?

Yi Bo, the owner of the platform, didn't want to delve into this matter. Out of sight, out of mind. He didn't want to assume anything about the relationship of YH's chairman who was also the favorite grandson of Old Patriarch Song.

On one hand, he didn't want to offend the great Song family. And on the other hand, he certainly didn't dare become Song Yu Han's enemy.

When Ran Xueyi heard what happened the next morning, she was not affected at all. The reporters outside of the restaurant were too many, there should be a few of them who noticed her and took photos of her. They must have assumed that she was the paramour of Mr. He.

But Ran Xueyi didn't have any time to care about this. She had already asked Song Yu Han to take care of this since she couldn't overwork Uncle Wu, who was already taking the matters of Yao Chuan in his hand. There was only a few days before the start of filming for her new film, and she was going to act alongside Song Yu Han.

However, when Ran Xueyi was not feeling anxious, there were some people who couldn't keep their calm.

For example, Tang Jian, who was He Gui's former girlfriend. The sound of glass shattering into pieces echoed inside the dressing room she was in as she swiped her arms across the table in front of her. The little assistants and makeup artist who were helping her get ready for her next program cowered in the corner.

Tang Jian's manager waved her hand to gesture for them to leave. And after everyone left, she picked up the phone that Tang Jian had thrown away earlier. The screen was slightly cracked, but it was still working and it showed a string of messages she exchanged with the reporter they hired to stalk He Gui.

"Jianjian, what's gotten to you? If you're angry because He Gui is still not planning to return to you, you still have to be mindful of your image in front of others. It's okay for you to be like this in front of me, but what would you do if someone took a recording of you acting like this?" Manager Bai said before placing the phone on the side.

Tang Jian whipped her head to look at her manager and tears suddenly gathered in her eyes. She palmed her face and muttered, "I couldn't help it. Why can't anything just go in my way? Look, even the reporter you hired to keep track of Brother He's actions told me to not mess around with the wrong people. The endorsement I got was also taken away from me. Is this Brother He's doing? Is he still angry at me and warning me not to mess with him?"

Six months ago, Tang Jian broke up with He Gui. They were previously engaged due to their family's interests and relation. However, Tang Jian didn't want to be married so early and told He Gui to push back their marriage to a later date as she wanted to pursue acting. Usually, He Gui would give in to her and support her. But he didn't agree with her this time. In her anger, Tang Jian broke up with him to give him a lesson.

But who would have thought that He Gui didn't even chase after her to ask for her forgiveness. He actually announced that their engagement was called off to everyone. Tang Jian's heart shattered when she heard that He Gui was now engaged to a woman with no background and came from the countryside two months after the announcement of their engagement falling through.

Manager Bai hugged her artists and cooed, "Shh. It's alright. It's my fault for hiring such an incompetent reporter. Next time, I'll hire a professional one to spy on He Gui's movement and also ruin his relationship with Miss Yin."

Hearing this, Tang Jian hugged her manager back. "You're the only one who understood and was kind to me, Manager Bai."

Manager Bai successfully coaxed Tang Jian to calm down and let the people from earlier enter the room again. When everything was in order, she couldn't help her thoughts wandering to what Tang Jian said previously about He Gui warning them.

Chapter 433 Mistress?

The one who paid the reporter to spread the pictures he had gotten when he stalked He Gui and paid for the hot topic to a platform in order to reach the top trend list was Manager Bai.

The reporter told her that He Gui was seen escorting an actress into a restaurant and the other reporters also saw all of this. However, Manager Bai didn't inquire further about who the actress that was recognized and quickly had the reporter she hired to post it in a marketing account. She would then take care of the money to pay the platform to boost the rankings of the topic in the hot trend list.

This would result in He Gui being sprayed with dirty water with a dating scandal with an actress. People will then accuse him of being a hypocrite for tossing Tang Jian and trying to get back at her by dating an actress while being engaged to another Miss Yin.

This was the fastest way to ruin He Gui and have him crawling back to Tang Jian. But who would have thought that He Gui was not so easy to tackle down. He actually went as far as to warn Tang Jian by taking one of her endorsement deals from her and taking out the reporter she paid to spray dirt on him!

Manager Bai felt so frustrated. Her own goal to all of these was to have He Gui continue his relationship with Tang Jian. In that way, the Tang and He family will be associated to her since she's the manager of the Mrs. He. Unfortunately Tang Jian didn't get to marry He Gui and didn't become Mrs. He. It also angered her that Tang Jian broke up with He Gui and dated Mr. Shu out spite.

After calming down Tang Jian, Manager Bai went out to smoke. Holding a cigarette in her hand, she tried to call the reporter but only a beeping sound could be heard before the automated voicemail told her that the phone number was no longer in service.

"Useless bastard! He only knows how to take my money but can't even do a good job!" Manager Bai threw the lit cigarette to the ground and ruthlessly stomped on it. "If only I got the pictures he

took before he fled I would have already ruined He Gui and have him wrapped in Tang Jian's hands."

"But wait... there were some other reporters there. They should have some pictures of the actress that He Gui escorted inside the restaurant!"

When thinking of this, Manager Bai's eyes flashed in delight and quickly contacted a friend who was also a reporter. She inquired who the reporters were that day. And when she finally got one of the reporter's names, she smiled wickedly.

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A few days later.

Ran Xueyi arrived at the airport. Since she didn't want a grand send-off from her fans, she didn't announce her itinerary to them. However, when the boarding time of her plane was about to be announced, a horde of fans suddenly appeared.

"Ran Xueyi! Can you please tell us if it's true that the man you are married to is Mr. He?"

"You were snapped with President He at a restaurant. Did you know that he just announced his engagement with Miss Yin? Or are you his mistress?"

"Ran Xueyi, a recent photo has been circulating all over social media. You were together with President He at a restaurant and he even had his bodyguard escorted you inside. Can you please tell us the truth?"

"You previously said in a program that you are married. Are you married to President He? Or are you cheating on your husband and Miss Yin with him?"

A few months ago, Ran Xueyi announced on a live show that she was already married to someone. This caused quite an earthquake both outside and inside the entertainment circle. It was unprecedented to find out that someone like Ran Xueyi, a hot traffic actress, who was being considered as the nation's best actress, married somebody. But she dauntlessly confessed that she was very much in love and married to a mysterious guy.

Right after her confession, a lot of her fans had unfollowed her, but due to her fearlessness and rare honesty, she gained more new fans and all the loss of losing fans had been replenished and surpassed the original following number count.

There were also a lot of people who supported her decision to get married, who wanted to know the identity of her husband. However, due to this dating scandal rumor she got involved with He Gui, who was now engaged to a woman named Miss Yin, a lot of her fans and netizens were wondering if she had lied to them. They wanted to know whether Ran Xueyi was really married to someone or was she really He Gui's mistress?

Ran Xueyi didn't stop walking quickly and wore a smile despite all the questions being thrown at her. She had sunglasses on her like she usually did when she went out so that nobody would recognize her, but this time, it was useless because these fans and reporters had quickly found her! What could this possibly mean?

Adelle, who was pushing the persistent fans and reporters, was boiling with anger. Hadn't they taken care of this matter last time? Why was it still spread around? Is someone tired of living anymore that they had to try and put a wedge on Ran Xueyi and Song Yu Han's pure and sincere marriage life?

By making up a story of her being a mistress to a stranger and also calling her a liar, Adelle just wanted to find who sneaked this scandal and blasted it off so she could rip their hair off their heads!

Adelle calmed down and looked in front of her where a tall man in non prescription glasses and casual attire. She winked at Ran Xueyi who was in the middle of their human fortress and sighed. Ah, what a good husband you have, Ran Xueyi!

Earlier this morning, Adelle just found out that both Ran Xueyi and Song Yu Han were planning to go to the same location. She thought that Song Yu Han was coming along with them so he could take care of his wife, but who would have thought that he actually entered the entertainment industry and the reason why they were going to the same city was because he was casted as the opposing actor in the film Ran Xueyi was going to shoot!

Adelle never saw a man so dedicated and sincere to a woman like Song Yu Han. He was willing to give everything to Ran Xueyi without asking anything from her. And still, he continues to shower her with love as if the previous ones he had done were not enough. She couldn't stop feeling envious of their relationship and wondered whether she would have someone take care of her like this.

With Song Yu Han walking in front, the path towards the ticket-checking gate was unhindered. Of course, there were more people who were trying to get closer to Ran Xueyi in front, but all these people felt like they were being pushed back by a bulldozer! Even using a super industrial glue won't stop them from being pushed back. He was just too strong and his aura was so dangerous and scary that those who tried to bump against him or push him saw their lives almost being pulled out of their bodies by the angel of death.

Song Yu Han successfully got Ran Xueyi into the airplane and sat down beside her. He took off his eyeglasses, rubbed the bridge of his nose, and looked at his wife who was sitting next to him.

Ran Xueyi never expected that even though they took precautionary actions to take down the photos that the reporters took that day, it still found its way to resurface and spread. And most importantly...

"How did Ran Xueyi's itinerary get leaked?" The question at the tip of her tongue was asked by Song Yu Han. She raised her head and saw him looking coldly at Adelle, who had her head lowered in fright.

Adelle wanted to reply to his question, but this was the first time that she had seen Song Yu Han focusing his anger at her. She was scared to death and couldn't open her mouth.

Seeing her manager being scared off by her husband, Ran Xueyi patted Song Yu Han's hand that was placed on the armrest of their chair. When she got her attention, she shook her head as she told him: "It's not her. Adelle wouldn't do that, I can assure you." She paused and a vicious glint in her eyes appeared, "But there should be someone leaking some confidential details about me and possibly, the artists under Chestnut considering that besides the three of us, the only one who knew about my scheduled flight was the people in Chestnut."

Chapter 434 Betrayal

Ran Xueyi had been feeling that something was wrong with Chestnut's security ever since she had returned to the country. It wasn't that she didn't consider someone would betray her. But for them to target her of all people? She was the company president, and it was true that she didn't often take care of the things in the company as she made Uncl Wu Qi handle them because she knew he had the ability and capabilities of a leader. However, that didn't mean they could stab her in the back when she had practically saved everyone in there.

Chestnut Entertainment was established solely to get talented people who were buried in the dust. A lot of diamond in the rough were forgotten by multiple companies. Ran Xueyi was the only one who had seen their beauty and talent that was originally used to take advantage of and belittle. For

example, Zhao Yiqing, who had both the singing talent and strong leadership as a member of the boy idol group Exile.

He was previously thrown to the side to collect dust by his company and they made use of his all-rounded talent to make his other group members shine. However, just when he was about to fall deeper into the shit that his previous company and group members were about to step on, Ran Xueyi got him on board her ship and signed him under Chestnut.

There was also Yao Chuan, who had suffered from his maternal family's fierceness and ruthlessness of selling his freedom to a third-tier entertainment company. He was extremely talented in his method acting, but his management hadn't thought of making use of this and was even disgusted by this out of envy of his talent. When they realized that he was a genius in his craft, they made him sit on the bench and pretend they were going to make him debut, but only they knew that they just wanted him to be a laughingstock of a genius who can't even debut.

Ran Xueyi didn't care about the difficulty in acquiring him; spending money to get him out of his previous company. And now, she was fighting his evil maternal family in order to give him the full rights of his freedom which he had never been able to live and use as he wanted.

Each and every one of the people in Chestnut entertainment had a backstory of being oppressed. And intentionally or unintentionally, Ran Xueyi had gathered people who could dominate the entertainment industry through their crafts...

"I have checked the surveillance camera and history dated on each employee's computer. There are no signs of them sending out details of your itinerary or any other artists in the company. However, I decided to look further into this matter and found some suspicious actions from one individual," as soon as Ran Xueyi thought that there could be someone who had stabbed her in the back, she called Uncle Wu Qi to have him investigate after arriving in the city. He hadn't disappointed her as he had gotten back at her and reported his discovery.

"Who is it?" Ran Xueyi had listened very carefully to his reports. She had tiny hopes that nobody in Chestnut betrayed her, but when she heard him reporting that someone was acting out of ordinary, she couldn't help her fury bubbling up.

"Feng Huai."

Ran Xueyi fell silent as soon as she heard the name. It was the assistant manager who previously followed her. He was now handling Zhao Yiqing as his agent after being promoted. She and Zhao Fei had talked about him just recently.

Three years ago, Feng Huai had been the one who had followed her everywhere like a tail. He was innocent and extremely good in taking care of her when Zhao Fei was not around.

But who would have thought that the bubbly, innocent cloud that had smiled at her like a child had betrayed her.

"Are you sure?" Ran Xueyi looked away expressionlessly as she asked.

"Yes. When I investigated further and checked what he had been doing these previous months, it seems that he had been meeting with Dauntless. Zhao Yiqing also told me when I called him that Feng Huai hasn't been beside him for almost two months. It was all his assistant manager who had been taking care of all of his itinerary." Uncle Wu Qi continued to report to her.

Ran Xueyi no longer needed further proof of Feng Huai's betrayal. There was no need for Uncle Wu Qi to lie to her and give her false leads. That could only mean that Feng Huai had really forgotten those times they had been together and stabbed her.

"Do you want me to fire him?" Uncle Wu Qi hadn't heard anything from her so, he wondered if she was hesitating to punish him.

Ran Xueyi said, "Don't fire him yet. I want to find out why he's doing this. And firing him is too lenient for a punishment for someone who betrayed me. Let him stay there but don't let him be suspicious. Collect everything you can get from him so when he tries to wiggle out, he won't have a place to crawl in."

After hanging up, Ran Xueyi drew a long intake of air and sighed dejectedly. She thought that there wouldn't be people who would betray her anymore. But turns out even if you shared good times with someone, they will still end up picking up a knife to stab you with. Will the people she helped before also betray her?

"Don't think about it. You are not in the wrong to help them. Those people are the ones who are not right in the head for forgetting what you've done for them." Song Yu Han was actually heartbroken when he saw Ran Xueyi being targetted like this by the people she trusted. He should have handled everything in his hand and keep her away from people who could betray her. But he was not a God. He couldn't predict everything, and he couldn't tell who would be trusted and who would betray them.

But he could have prevented it. If he had only told her that she shouldn't place her trust and matters into other people's hands as he had known long before that nobody in this world could be fully trusted. But he was ruthless and cruel. Ran Xueyi was not like him and he shouldn't turn her into someone who could be merciless enough to shut his heart to everyone.

Ran Xueyi released another sigh and told him, "I know I shouldn't trust everyone so easily. But I can't stop it. Xiao Feng has been with me for so long that I treated him like a friend."

Trusting somebody was easy. For as long as they showed you a good natured heart and pierced through the fortress you erected to not trust anyone easily, you couldn't help but rely and open up to them.

The things that Feng Huai had stolen and leaked were all confidential information. Mostly, it was Ran Xueyi's scheduled programs and flights. Since she didn't share much about her private matters to the employees of the company and Zhao Fei swore to keep what she knew to herself, he didn't get to leak anything about her and Song Yu Han's relationship. However, he got a hold on both Yao Chuan and Zhang Yiqing's matters. If she was right, the one who had sneaked Yao Chuan's family into his apartment was also Feng Huai.

"How do you want to handle him?" Song Yu Han was worried that she would be too soft hearted to deal with a friend, but he had unnecessarily worried a bit too much.

Ran Xueyi smiled and whispered to him, telling her plans to him. After a while, Song Yu Han raised his brows and turned his head to get a better look at her.

"Silly."

Ran Xueyi giggled and burrowed her head into his arms which in turn, Song Yu Han circled his arms around her waist and hugged her tightly.

After making absolutely sure she was asleep, Song Yu Han picked up his phone and rang Guo Yun, "Investigate what Dauntless has been doing recently. If you find anything that has Ran Xueyi's name on it, erase it."

"I'll get on it as soon as possible. President, what should I do with the dating scandal that's been spreading around? Should I warn the reporters from spreading false information and stop this from spreading more?"

Song Yu Han thought about it, but said, "Warning the reporters will only make them curious and believe the rumors. As for the articles spreading around, there's no need to delete them. We should give them something hotter and delicious bait to bite."

"Do you want to..."

"Release a statement that YH Group is currently in talks of collaboration with Chestnut Entertainment. Let everyone know that YH Group is the one supporting Ran Xueyi and Chestnut Entertainment. "

Chapter 435 Collaboration

"YH Group suddenly announced their collaboration with a newly established entertainment company Chestnut Entertainment last night. Currently, everyone can't understand the reason behind this movement from the multi-corporation company like YH Group. The project that they are trying to collaborate with has not been disclosed yet, however, a lot of speculation has been released. People are wondering if YH Group's aim from this collaboration is to buy the entire company."

"Chestnut Entertainment has been around for three years. The artists signed under the banner of the company are surprisingly part of the top 200 most popular artists in the country. The probability of YH Group buying the entire company along with the artists in it are high. If they successfully overtake Chestnut, it won't be a dream anymore to dominate the entire country's entertainment industry!"

The next morning, Ran Xueyi woke up to the incessant calls she was receiving from Zhao Yiqing and Yao Chuan. Zhao Fei also texted her several times. And all of their questions were related to the currently spreading news about Chestnut's collaboration with YH Group. They also asked her if she had plans to sell the company to Song Yu Han's company; crying and begging her not to sell it.

After telling them that she had no idea about what they were talking about and that she had no plans to sell her company, Ran Xueyi finally stopped getting calls from them.

However, the headache that she received from this matter definitely didn't stop at all.

"Mommy, why is A'Yu doing?" Xiao Zhanzhan was brought to Paradise City by Guo Yun, who had to work without rest last night. Ran Xueyi didn't tell him but waved him to come to her. The little boy walked and sat on the edge of the sofa between his parents, licked the ice cream stick in his hand, and looked at his father with curiosity, "A'Yu, is it fun doing that?"

Being looked at by his son, Song Yu Han didn't know whether he should laugh or cry. He wanted his help, but the glare he was receiving from Ran Xueyi was so intense that he didn't dare ask for help from his son.

He could only nod and said, "Yes, it's fun."

"Really? But it looks ouchy." Little Zhanzhan glanced at the marble floor and his father's knees.

"Mommy is giving your daddy lots of love. There's a saying that beating is a sign of affection." Ran Xueyi coolly glanced at Song Yu Han, who didn't even sweat out after kneeling for almost half an hour. She was still feeling upset that he had to do something behind her back and not wait for her to wake up and discuss the matter of collaboration.

She was shocked to death when she saw the articles released so early in the morning. It had started being circulated across the country last night, but she had no idea until she woke up and had breakfast made by him. Ran Xueyi only found out about the collaboration that was never signed or discussed by the artists in her company.

"But A'Yu is kneeling." Little Zhanzhan showed a perplexed expression on his face as if he couldn't understand what the saying was all about.

"Pffft! Cough--!" Song Yu Han couldn't contain his laugh and when he got another glare of daggers from his wife, he quickly covered it up with a cough. He quickly supported his wife's words and said, "Your mother is right. She's showing me tons of love so don't mind me here."

Little Zhanzhan still felt that something was off, but seeing that his father was not feeling tired even after kneeling for so long. Rather, he looked more relaxed than when he was normally sitting, Little Zhanzhan no longer bothered with this.

"Why don't you play with Brother Yun? Me and your father have something to talk about." Ran Xueyi covertly glanced at Guo Yun, whose face was pale and sweating profusely. Between him and Song Yu Han, it looked like the assistant was the one kneeling rather than his boss.

Guo Yun flinched when he heard his name being mentioned. He didn't even glance at his president and moved to take Little Zhanzhan outside to play.

After being left alone in the room, Ran Xueyi finally sighed, "Stop kneeling and explain. Why did you suddenly announce something without telling me first?"

"You were sleeping so soundly. I couldn't allow myself to wake you up?" Song Yu Han didn't immediately stand up from where he was kneeling even after getting her permission.

Ran Xueyi smirked. "If you want to keep kneeling the whole day and miss our meeting with Director Daren Wang, you can keep this behavior."

"I did it to protect you," Song Yu Han confessed. "It's a countermeasure for the trouble that may come to you in the coming days."

"I had Guo Yun stay up all night to investigate what Feng Huai has been doing recently with Dauntless. Even though Wu Qi does great in his job, he won't be able to uncover much since Dauntless is currently the top entertainment company in the country. Their data won't be easily penetrated through and I doubt they would be scared of Chestnut Entertainment."

"Hence, I had to announce our collaboration ahead of time. In that way, whatever they have in their hands won't be spread around in the public. They will hesitate to use anything Feng Huai gave them because Chestnut has YH Group's backing."

"But won't this only make people suspicious of you?" Ran Xueyi didn't believe that there wouldn't be anyone who was shocked upon hearing this news. "Besides, what will your board members think and say when you suddenly make a move like this? Chestnut is growing, but it's not the ideal company YH Group would want to invest or collaborate with."

She didn't want to trouble Song Yu Han with her problems. But she still ended up doing it. Ran Xueyi would feel extremely guilty if this ended up with him being troubled and faced with repercussions from YH Group's board members.

"Don't worry. They won't dare say anything."

"How can they not? They're your board members!"

Song Yu Han smiled. "Just trust me, Xueyi. You don't have to worry about anything and let me support my wife."

Ran Xueyi still had some doubts and wanted to persuade him to clarify the rumors spreading like fire in the internet, but Song Yu Han reminded her that they will be late in their meeting with the young director.

What he didn't tell her though was that YH Group was built solely with his money. At such a young age, Song Yu Han had been secretly buying stocks. Using the money he inherited from his deceased mother, he invested in a lot of companies that have potential of growing.

At that time, a lot of people had laughed and mocked him, saying that a child like him shouldn't dream of playing with the adults and just stay in the playground. However, Song Yu Han's insights hadn't been wrong and he correctly hit where one could get millions, if not, hundreds of millions! As soon as he had gotten what he needed, he would then reap what he got from taking risks in the stock market, utterly slapping the people who had laughed at him in the face!

All the money was also used to establish YH Group. Gradually, YH Group, which was formerly a no-name company in the country, has taken over all over Asia and entered the global market without hindrance!

But what everyone thought was a company built by several investors and stockholders was actually a multi-corporation solely owned by one man. And that man was Song Yu Han. However, several companies owned by him cannot be operated by one man. Thus, he had several of his subordinates act to sit on the position of the 'board members' of the company, who answered to him.

When Song Yu Han told Ran Xueyi not to worry, he hadn't lied to her. She really didn't need to be afraid as he had no need to answer to anyone as everyone had to be at his mercy.

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The articles about the upcoming collaboration between YH Group and Chestnut Entertainment had really taken over several social media sharing platforms and news outlets. The main reason was that YH Group, the country's biggest company that was worth billions had reached out first to a small and newly established entertainment company.

A lot of people were wondering what YH Group's representative was thinking and asked who had proposed the project first.

On Weibo, a lot of netizens were leaving comments on YH Group's official post.

[I swear YH Group has a traitor in their ranks. No matter where you look at it, isn't this them giving out charity to a small company?]

[Is today April's Fools day? Why am I waking up to such a joke so early in the morning?]

[Upstairs, you're the joke! Your family is a joke! Chestnut is the home of many artists who took over the current poll of top artists in the country. Are you kidding me?]

[Oh? Who are these artists?]

[I bet they're just shrimps.]

[Ahahaha! The comments upstairs are so funny. If you just search the website of Chestnut, you'll see the name of their artists. But I'll save you the trouble. They didn't only have Yao Chuan, the top 1 actor this year, and Zhang Yiqing, Soloist of the Year, Chestnut is also the home of the biggest star in the country, Ran Xueyi!]