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Chapter 851: Lu Man Is Too Much

When the netizens saw the screenshots, they were a bit muddled.

"Could it be that it is Lu Man's problem?"

"Who's the assistant director in the screenshot, can someone check it?"

"Is Lu Man really that over-the-top?"

"I feel that it doesn't seem like a lie. Didn't you see in the screenshot that that assistant director was praising Li Zeyu so much? And look at the timings of the chat, it was before Li Zeyu made his statement. That means that he knew the reason Li Zeyu pulled out before then. It could really be the people from *The Performer*. It might not be the assistant director, but it's definitely someone who knows the insider information."

"It looks like Li Zeyu and Lu Man are really not on the same team. The reasons Li Zeyu and Lu Man are not participating are different."

"I feel that Lu Man is a bit too much already."

"After filming *Red Tiger*, Lu Man became proud. I mean, she has a good relationship with Sun Yiwu and Ji Cheng, so during the finals of the Chinese Arts Championships, the two directors personally went to the event location to cheer her on. Ji Cheng even brought his family to go there together. And the 8.9 billion ticketing sales of *Red Tiger* is also out there. But being arrogant and losing sight of herself because of that is quite hateful."

"I'm not a fan nor an anti-fan, I'm just a passerby. But I want to say, even since Lu Man forced the judges of the Chinese Arts Championships off stage, I always felt that she is very arrogant. Perhaps because she's had so many fights with people yet had never lost, she became so arrogant. Whenever something doesn't go her way, she directly attacks. Because the judges gave her low marks, she felt it was unfair and that she should get high marks. But I want to ask, what right do you have to feel that you should have high marks? Not satisfied because you lost, so you must win?"

More and more people came out to speak badly of Lu Man.

They did not know how many were just accounts paid to do it and how many were the fans of people like Zhang Lun, Ni Xue, Zhang Xiaoying, and the other people who lost against Lu Man.

Anyway, when Lu Man was doing well, there was no one from their side appearing.

But when something bad happened to Lu Man, they all jumped out and started to attack.

It was rare that they were on the same side and ganging up without saying anything beforehand.

They even directly went to Lu Man's Weibo and started to berate her.

Lu Man's fans, of course, would not just sit there and do nothing. They directly told the netizen who said that he was not a fan or an anti-fan, "Your words are too funny. At that time, when the three judges were directly changed by the Han Corporation's CEO, Han Zhuoli, it was explained online that they were giving unfair marks. Lu Man did not express that she needed to win from the start to the end. This is a competition. Of course everyone wants to win, but Lu Man did not say that she could not lose. When the judges gave her low marks, she did not say anything. It was the other judges and Han Zhuoli who could not stand it."

"Don't waste time talking to him. What 'not an anti-fan but not a fan'? He's just an anti-fan. At that time, when the judges were being changed, why didn't he come out to say that Lu Man could not lose? Now that he saw the chat's screenshot, he started to act like someone who understands. What kind of logic is that?"

Lu Man was watching the situation when her phone rang.

It was a foreign phone number.

Lu Man frowned slightly. Could it be a reporter?

Her fame right now was not high enough. Even though this situation was very high profile, no reporter had called her to ask about it.

It was because her influence was not enough. There was no reporter who would think of that situation and interview her to ask her what was going on on her side.

So, Lu Man did not think that a reporter would be seeking her out at all.

She picked up the call. "Hello."

"Lu Man, it's me, Li Zeyu."

Chapter 852: I Can't Speak Out for You in This Situation

"Senior, hello." Lu Man was slightly shocked for a while, but she guessed why Li Zeyu was calling her.

"I saw that *The Performer*'s production group is attacking you," Li Zeyu explained. "Zheng Yuan is in the student council with me, so I asked Zheng Yuan for your phone number."

"I'm fine," Lu Man said as she smiled.

"I'm sorry, I can't speak out for you in this situation," Li Zeyu said, troubled.

"I understand, don't worry." From how Li Zeyu had placed the responsibility for not participating in the show all on himself, Lu Man knew that Li Zeyu did not want to offend the production group.

She understood Li Zeyu's choice and did not feel much about it. She also did not feel that Li Zeyu had the responsibility to stand and speak up for her.

"Don't worry, I can deal with it myself," Lu Man said. "What did you tell your fans? If I tell the truth, will the fans have a bad opinion of you?"

"That won't happen. I just said that my acting skills are not good enough and there is no use participating in the show. Adding on my personal health, I said I wanted to rest properly. Even if you say the truth, the most that people would feel is that I did not want to offend the production group and did not want to be in the show. Those who don't like me will still not like me, and my fans will still understand me."

"Alright." Lu Man nodded.

"Are you planning on speaking the truth?" Li Zeyu said. "But you have no hard evidence. Even if you speak out, there won't be a lot of people who'll believe you. You're just one person, how will you fight against a whole production crew?"

"I must try," Lu Man said while smiling.

"I'm sorry, I—" Li Zeyu's face was slightly red. He was a man, but he was so cowardly, scared of offending this person, scared of offending that. He had too much to consider.

And in the end, he gritted his teeth and said, "If they don't believe you, I'll help you explain."

"They will definitely believe me," Lu Man said confidently. "You don't need to be worried about my side. As long as you take good care of your fans, that'll be alright. Don't worry."

But Li Zeyu had already thought of it, and if there was no one who believed Lu Man's words, then he would speak out.

After hanging up, at this time, there was the sound of knocking on a door outside of the study.

Hu Zhonghui's voice rang out. "Auntie, hello, I'm Lu Man's manager. My name is Hu Zhonghui."

"Oh, hello," Xia Qingwei hurriedly invited Hu Zhonghui in.

Lu Man also came out from the study and saw that Hu Zhonghui was holding a phone in her hand. The phone screen was still lit up, showing the screenshot of that WeChat conversation's screenshot on Weibo.

"You're here to discuss work with Lu Man, right?" Xia Qingwei still did not know about the situation online, and so she was smiling as she asked.

"Yes." Hu Zhonghui nodded.

A young girl who liked to smile, looking full of spirit, Xia Qingwei liked her on first glance.

"Mom, I'll go with Xiao Hui to the study to discuss work," Lu Man said.

"Alright." Xia Qingwei turned to go to the kitchen and prepare tea and fruits to send into the study.

It was only when Xia Qingwei left that Hu Zhonghui dared to show her anger. "Lu Man, did you see the screenshot of the conversation already?"

"I've seen it," Lu Man said calmly, not worried at all.

Hu Zhonghui really admired Lu Man's calm temper. "Why aren't you worried?"

Just as she finished speaking, without waiting for Lu Man to reply, Hu Zhonghui raised her two hands above her head to surrender as she said, "Alright, pretend I did not ask. I'm really curious, how big of a situation would it have to be for you to be worried?"

"This is really nothing much. Anyway, I've already thought of a way to deal with this," Lu Man said, smiling.

Chapter 853: We Can't Discuss This Peacefully

"How big of a situation would it have to be before you would consider it a big situation?" Seeing Lu Man so calm, Hu Zhonghui suddenly suspected that she was making a mountain out of a molehill, treating this problem as a bigger problem than it actually was.

"When it concerns my mom, when it concerns Zhuoli, when it concerns my family and friends, only then will I consider it a big problem," Lu Man said. "If it's like that, I'll be very anxious. But towards myself—"

Lu Man shook her head and smiled. "It's no problem."

Hu Zhonghui thought about it. If it were like that, Lu Man was really treating herself a bit too lightly.

"What are you planning on doing about this situation?" Hu Zhonghui put the phone in front of Lu Man. "Look at the screenshot of these messages. I was at the location at that time, so I naturally know that this is just bullsh*t. But the netizens don't know. This screenshot looks quite believable."

Lu Man found a small Weibo account from the documents on her computer.

"What are these?" Seeing that the file was full of accounts and passwords, Hu Zhonghui had asked in shock.

"These are all the small Weibo accounts I bought online back when I was working in the Han Corporation as a public relations officer," Lu Man said. "If I created an account myself, I'd need to use my real name to verify it. That's too troublesome, so I directly bought a bunch online accounts. It is convenient to use during work, and when it's inconvenient for me to show myself and I need to use a small account, I can randomly find one from the file."

"This... this..." Hu Zhonghui realized that she had really not seen enough of the world.

You could actually do this.

And after that, Lu Man directly used the computer version of WeChat to contact Dean He of the National Film Academy's performing arts department.

"Dean He, it's me, Lu Man."

"Lu Man ah, how are you now? I saw the situation online," Dean He replied very fast. "If you have something you need help for, you can feel free to ask."

Lu Man was a student of the National Film Academy and had even been called a representative of the school by Principal Liu. Dean He was a leader of the school. Even if it wasn't for Principal Liu's sake, just

for the fact that Lu Man was a student of the National Film Academy, now that Lu Man was faced with trouble, if he could help her, he would.

And furthermore, Lu Man was the National Film Academy's representative student, and Principal Liu was especially polite to Lu Man.

So, Dean He would have to help Lu Man even more.

"Thank you, Teacher," Lu Man said. "I'm alright, I can deal with it, you do not need to worry. But there is one thing that I have to ask you for help for."

"What do you need help with? Just say it," Dean He instantly said.

"It's like this. Do you have the WeChat contact of that Assistant Director Xu from The Performer?"

"I do," Dean He instantly said. "Wait for a while, I'll forward it to you."

When Dean He found Xu Yaojie's WeChat number, he sent the contact to Lu Man. "Are you going to look for Xu Yaojie to talk things out?"

"I'm not," Lu Man said. "The situation has already reached this stage. How can we have any peaceful discussion? Furthermore, that day when we were signing the contract, what kind of situation it was, you were present at that time too, and you were very clear on it. *The Performer* is slandering me right now. I suspect that that so-called WeChat screenshot was a show put up by Xu Yaojie himself and the people in *The Performer*. I need to check it out."

"We can't discuss this peacefully. If we could discuss it peacefully, *The Performer* would not have done this kind of thing," Lu Man said. "Don't worry, I know that I'm not only representing myself. Every word and action would implicate the National Film Academy that is behind me. So I won't do anything that harms the National Film Academy's reputation."

"It's not just that. The fact that *The Performer* is trying to slander me this time, it also implicates the National Film Academy behind me. I'm a student of the National Film Academy. If my reputation is no good, the school will also be said to be bad by people. I had yet to say anything about *The Performer*, but they actually tried to play the blame game with me. Since they are looking for trouble, then I will definitely have them give our school, and me, justice." Did they think that she was really willing to attack people?

Chapter 854: Why Is Lu Man Pretending to Be Aloof?

She also did not want to find trouble for no reason. If she could solve it peacefully, wasn't she crazy if she started to attack people?

Even though she did not agree with the way *The Performer* treated entertainment as the most important thing, other shows also did that, not just *The Performer*. For the sake of monetary earnings, employing tricks was their own choice.

She did not want to take part in that, but she would not stop them from doing it either.

Dean He looked at Lu Man's words and felt very shocked.

Thinking about Lu Man's previous outstanding battle results, he quietly lit a row of candles for the production team of *The Performer1*.

Obviously, one candle was not enough.

"Alright, but I'll just say it again: if you have anything you need help for, feel free to ask. You've also said it, you're a student of the National Film Academy. It is not only that you are protecting the National Film Academy's reputation, the National Film Academy will also protect the students of our school," Dean He said.

Although it was only a few simple sentences, when Lu Man looked at the words that seemed cold on screen, she felt a warmth rising in her heart.

"Alright," Lu Man slowly typed. "Thank you."

Towards people who'd offended her, she would not hold back at all, so those people often said that she was hard to deal with and that she was scheming, along with a lot of bad things about her.

But when people were a bit nice to her, she would remember and would be very touched. She would repay them with all her heart.

Upon closing the conversation window with Dean He, Lu Man pressed on the contact info that Dean He sent out but did not add Xu Yaojie as a friend. She then entered Xu Yaojie's main WeChat page.

If he was not added, Xu Yaojie's settings were to not let strangers see his posting.

But from the profile picture, she could see that it was Xu Yaojie.

Lu Man then chatted with Dean He again and asked him to help screenshot some posts from Xu Yaojie.

Xu Yaojie was leading the way to attack Lu Man. He was even late for the signing of the contract by 40 minutes, not placing any care on the leaders of the school and the students who managed to qualify for the competition.

His words, his attitude, they were all very arrogant, looking down on everyone.

Dean He remembered that offense of Xu Yaojie very well.

And so, when Lu Man made that request, Dean He did not feel pressured or hesitant at all as he went to screenshot Xu Yaojie's page. He even screenshotted a few pages and sent them all to Lu Man.

When Lu Man looked, in her heart, she thought, Xu Yaojie had actually not set his posts to only being able to be viewed for three days.

His page had so many holes that it was like a sieve.

Lu Man switched to a small account on Weibo.

Hu Zhonghui's eyes were wide as she looked at Lu Man, who was behaving like someone with a dual personality and was acting like someone who knew the situation online.

Baby Who Doesn't Return Home: "I found the assistant director in the WeChat conversation. It's the Assistant Director Xu Yaojie in *The Performer*."

Following that, there was a screenshot of Xu Yaojie's posts.

The profile picture was the same as the one in the WeChat conversation screenshots.

And there was even a post that happened to be of Xu Yaojie scolding Lu Man.

"Haha, there're people who are going to be in trouble. Pretending to be aloof? You don't want to listen when we are talking to you properly, then just wait and see."

Although he did not point out the name and surname, looking at the time he posted, it appeared to be the same time as the things that had happened today.

The netizens saw it.

"What is going on? I'm a bit confused. Based on what Xu Yaojie said, why does it seem like it is to take revenge on Lu Man?"

"I feel the same way too. It seemed like because of something, they did not work together with Lu Man, so the production group wants to take revenge on her."

"What is the meaning of saying Lu Man is pretending to be aloof? Could it be that she's doing the casting couch?"

"That might not be true. The casting couch is only one possibility, there are a lot of other possibilities. Anyway, there was some kind of problem, and Lu Man did not agree. Because of that, they did not manage to come to a proper agreement with the production crew, so they did not sign the contract. Right now, I'm leaning towards that possibility and not the kind that the production group's official Weibo said just now."

Chapter 855: Lu Man Really Did What She Said She Would

"Yes. If it was really like what the screenshot of the chat says, that Lu Man wanted high fees and requested for the show to let her win, then why did Xu Yaojie say that she was acting aloof? Whether it was fake or real, if she were aloof, she would not have had that sort of request."

"The words of the production crew are contradictory."

"Where are Lu Man's fans? Did Lu Man say anything to you all?"

On this side, Lu Man was chatting with Xu Ningxian, telling her not to have the fans show themselves for now.

Lu Man changed to her big account and reposted the Weibo post of the small account.

"Do you know why I'm not participating in The Performer? I'll see you guys in the next Weibo post."

"Lu Man appeared!"

"She appeared, Lu Man appeared!"

"When is your next Weibo post?"

"Tell us the time, we're waiting!"

There were anti-fans of Lu Man who were picking at the fact that Lu Man was not speaking, and now that Lu Man had appeared and spoken, the anti-fans were also not happy. "Why can't she reveal everything all at once? Insisting on meeting in the next Weibo, so pretentious!"

"Let's leave it for now. Lu Man can't say anything at all, and that's why she published that 'let's meet in the next Weibo post.' In her next Weibo post, she won't be able to post anything at all either."

Lu Man ignored those comments.

Hu Zhonghui was not a stranger to Lu Man, and if there was something she did not understand, she would always directly ask. "Lu Man, why didn't you directly publish it and instead insisted on waiting for the next Weibo post?"

Lu Man took out her phone and connected it to the computer, then explained, "Because I wanted to attract the attention of the netizens. That way, there would be more people to see it."

"I found it," Lu Man said and uploaded the voice recording in her phone onto her computer.

"What is this?" Hu Zhonghui asked.

"Last time, when Xu Yaojie brought the contracts to our school for us to sign, I saw that the contract was not right, and when I was asking Xu Yaojie, I opened the voice recorder on the phone." Lu Man brought out the recording and then converted it to a QR code because she could not send it out in the original format.

After converting it to a QR code, she then cut out a lot of the quiet parts at the start to prevent the netizens from getting too anxious and closing the voice recording after not hearing any sound for a long time.

After that, Lu Man published the voice recording, then added a sentence, "The reason I'm not joining *The Performer* is here."

The netizens who had been waiting for Lu Man to publish the next Weibo saw that Lu Man actually published it so quickly.

They were all shocked.

"Lu Man really did what she said she would!"

Lu Man's fans said, not polite at all, "Where are the anti-fans who were jumping around just now? Come on out! We promise we won't laugh and mock you to death."

"Haha, who said that Lu Man won't post anything? Open your eyes that are sealed shut and take a look properly!"

The voice recording that Lu Man posted started from when Lu Man was asking Xu Yaojie about the contract.

"The contract talks about the tricks that the show use. Does that include the actors pretending not to get along?"

"Does it include the celebrities having to act in the role that the production group wishes them to, whether it's likable or not?"

"Does it include the production group already having internally decided who would win and lose and the celebrity having to perform according to the requirements?"

"Then can I rephrase that and say that even if I can win, because my opponents are seniors who are talented in acting, I would still definitely lose?" Lu Man said.

And Xu Yaojie's voice was also very clear.

"Yes."

"To be on our program means to be famous and to trend."

"Let's put it this way: we have Wei Feng Corporation as the one sponsoring the champion. The naming fee of the champion is as high as 500 million yuan."

Chapter 856 Slapping Face, Seeing Lu Man Slapping Face Again

"The celebrities are the ones who seek us out."

"If you all want to enter the show, you need to follow the arrangements of the production group."

The words Xu Yaojie said were shocking to a lot of netizens.

So this show was actually like that.

Hearing Xu Yaojie's tone, which was arrogant and uncaring of Lu Man and the others, one could say he was looking down on them totally.

It was practically reaching the limits of arrogance!

After that, Lu Man's voice was heard. "But I can't accept an unfair competition. If my acting skills are not as good as others', I'll willingly lose. But if I'm following your rules, and you all decide who wins and loses, there's no need to compete at all. Even if you are promising that I'll win, I won't participate. This is making a mockery of performance. I withdraw."

"If you want to participate in this show, you can participate, and if you don't want to participate, no one is begging you to. Don't think that you are that great just because you've acted in two movies. After a while, no one would recognize you."

The people who heard the recording were all quiet for a long while.

"I did not think that the show that I've been anticipating for so long is actually like that. They had yet to start recording and they already have the results of the competition. And everything about the process

is all acted out. What kind of meaning is there in watching this show? We won't even be able to tell if the performance of the people who wins and loses the competition is their real ability."

"So it was not that Lu Man requested to the production crew that they must definitely let her win, and Lu Man did not even talk about getting paid, those were all things that the show made up. On the other hand, it is the production group that internally decided who'll win or lose while pretending it will be a fair competition."

"Then what meaning is there in watching the show? When I'm watching it, in my heart, I'd know that they are acting, and upon seeing the results of the competition, I'd know, oh, this is their internally-decided winner. Then the person who lost, is it that they did not put in their best efforts? The audience votes, will those also be fake?"

"Haha, there are so many celebrities and big-shots participating in the show just to trick the audience? How interesting."

"This show is really quite disgusting. Even though they are faking it, they still tried to accuse Lu Man and tried to play the blame game."

"What a pity, the one they met was the Goddess of Fury Man. Our Goddess of Fury Man does not get into a fight unprepared!"

"I'm really very convinced by Lu Man. I'm not her fan, I'm just as passerby, and I don't have much feelings towards her. But in this case, Lu Man did very well. There's a sentence that she said very well: If my acting skills are not as good as others, I'll willingly lose. But if you try to fake the results, sorry, I'm not going to participate in it. I don't care if I'll lose. I care about how I win or how I lose."

"Lu Man is really very direct. If there's something wrong, she would attack them. This kind of personality, some people like it, but some people don't and even feel that she is trying to get everyone to like her. But on the topic of performing, Lu Man has always been serious. Morals and trustworthiness, I feel like these are what many people are lacking nowadays. Just because of that, I need to like her post."

"I haven't seen Lu Man slap people's face in a very long time, and I forgot how 6 her abilities are. Lu Man's brain is really quite good. Like the situation at that time, who would think of using a phone to record the conversation with Xu Yaojie? Could it be that Lu Man thought that there would come a day like this? What kind of far-seeing person is this? Too great!"

"Slapping face, seeing Lu Man slapping face again, I actually feel that it's very close to my heart."

"It's been quiet for too long, you all have probably forgotten the fear of being attacked by Lu Man, right?! No worries! Lu Man will let you remember it all today!"

Chapter 857 Why Did They Provoke Lu Man For No Reason

"@Zhang Lun, @Zhang Xiaoying, @Bai Shuangshuang, @Yu Xingzhou, @Bourbotte, congratulations to you all, there is a newcomer here to join you!"

"Replying to the above poster, I feel that Lu Man did not manage to predict that the other party would be so disgusting and would even try to play the blame game. It was just that there is no harm in being prepared. After all, the waters of the entertainment industry are too deep. Who's to know when there would be problems? Thinking about the situations Lu Man has been through since she's debuted, I recall there had been a lot of times when people attempted to ruin her, and it seemed like she had been fraught with attackers all the way. So she knew the rules in here very well. Preparing beforehand, it's not strange."

"Wait, wait, did you guys not realize that there is a lot of information within Xu Yaojie's words in the recording?" a netizen pointed out. "There's not only the problem of The Performer's competition results being faked, but there is even the 500 million yuan the Wei Feng Corporation is paying to be mentioned in the show! It is really a crazy high price. It can be seen that the Wei Feng Corporation is looking upon this show very well."

"Yes. Before this thing came out, we were all looking upon the show well! The grandness of the celebrities is so good, the show concept is interesting, I kept waiting for it to be aired. But after what happened today, it might not be as anticipated."

"Ha ha, this production crew is really seeking death. Why did they provoke Lu Man for no reason?"

"This is all because our Goddess of Fury Man has been in reclusion lately and has not appeared in the Jianghu, so the Jianghu has forgotten her legend."

There were people who even tagged the production group, "@The Performer Official Weibo, @Xu Yaojie, why did you guys provoke Lu Man for no reason? Are you happy now? Are you satisfied now?"

"How does it feel to offend Lu Man? You guys can ask @Bai Shuangshuang, @Yu Xingzhou, @Zhang Lun, @Bourbotte."

"My heart aches for Bourbotte. He's already returned to America, but our netizens still refuse to let him go. He must be sneezing a lot at a shore that is separated from our country by the big ocean."

"Bourbotte's Weibo was created for promotion when Attack Force was airing in the country. He himself has not used it much. Now that it's been a long time since he's gone back, his Weibo is not being used at all, but there are netizens who still go and tease him once in a while, as if they're beating a corpse."

"Although Lu Man has stopped and not shown her face in Jianghu for a while, her influence is still there."

"The Performer crew! Xu Yaojie! What do you want me to say? What should I say?! Insisting on provoking Lu Man—is it that you are very happy being mischievous for a bit?"

Lu Man's fans had already mostly taken over The Performer's official Weibo as well as Xu Yaojie's Weibo.

The comments were either from bystanders who were watching the drama or from Lu Man's fans.

There were no longer words anticipating The Performer's airing.

"Then Li Zeyu declining to participate in the show suddenly, it might really be the same reason as Lu Man's and not because his body is too tired or his acting skills are not good enough. Those were all excuses, he did not want to offend the production group."

"Actually, that's understandable. After all, Xing Ke Station is a big station, there is no benefit in offending them. Not everyone can attack outright like Lu Man. At least Li Zeyu did not participate in the show despite knowing clearly about these sorts of internal schemes. He has his own things he perseveres on, his own morals, but he also has his slick way of dealing with things. It's not bad."

Although Li Zeyu lied, he did not work together with The Performer for this trickery. Knowing about the internal workings of the show and declining to participate from the start, just that point made the netizens feel quite good about him.

As to lying, he did not say any big lie, he just took the blame himself, using the excuses that his body was not well and that his acting skills were not good enough. He had a kind of slick way of dealing with things, and his slight flaws could not obstruct his overall virtues.

Chapter 858 Upright Man

Li Zeyu's reaction was also very quick. Right after Lu Man made a move, he posted, "I lied. I'm sorry, everyone."

But Li Zeyu's fans all expressed understanding towards Li Zeyu's actions.

"We know that it is not easy for Xiao Yu to be in the entertainment industry. This circle is too complicated. It's too hard to walk this road, and being able to insist on your own morals in this kind of environment, Xiao Yu, you are already very good."

"We support Xiao Yu, you are the best."

"It's alright, Xiao Yu, you have your own considerations, we understand."

"Those who cannot understand, it only shows that you are protected too well and have not seen enough of the world. Otherwise, you would know how hard it is to be able to advance and survive in society."

"Xiao Yu is only a single person, and his power and the strength of his words are not great, yet he doesn't dare to offend people and still works hard to persevere in his original reason for acting. That is already very good."

"Think like Xiao Yu in this kind of situation and ask yourself: if you are standing in Xiao Yu's position, what would you do?"

"Not everyone is Lu Man, being able to fiercely attack. This time, it is likely that the price Lu Man has to pay is very large."

"Hurting people by 1000 health points but self-harming by 800 health points."

"This point makes me admire Lu Man quite a bit, her not backing down at all. I prefer to interact peacefully. If you don't come and provoke me, I won't expose you. After all, the rules of the industry are like that. There is no variety show that doesn't fake things for viewership, and of course, there are the requests of the celebrities themselves. There are a lot of things that they are just playing the audience with. So then, regarding The Performer's fakeness, I wouldn't go and expose you and work against you all. But if you insist on provoking me, I'm not scared about anything at all. Lu Man is really really very strong."

"Strong, this is extremely strong. Even if I'm on the losing end, I want to bring you down. Lu Man's temper, why is there so much?"

"Goddess of Fury Man, Upright Man."

At this moment, Hu Zhonghui reposted Lu Man's Weibo post with the recording attached.

"Lu Man respected the way your production group is creating your show. In this generation where entertainment is the most important, although Lu Man did not dare to readily go with the flow, she did not purposely make trouble. But your production group requested Lu Man to lie about the reason she's not participating in the show, then pushed all the responsibility to Lu Man."

"Lu Man did not do anything wrong, so why should she be the scapegoat for your production group? Just because your show is Xing Ke Station's show and your backer is big, you think you can bully people? Lu Man cannot keep silent and has to be your scapegoat, what is that if not bullying? Lu Man did not agree to do it, so your production group slandered Lu Man."

"Who is this person?" a netizen asked, confused. "Why does she know things so clearly?"

"Looking at her description, I think she's Lu Man's manager."

"No wonder."

At that moment, the produciton group of The Performer and Xu Yaojie were all extremely stunned.

Ge Guangzhen angrily hit the table with a lot of force, pushed open the door, and yelled loudly in his office, "Where is Xu Yaojie! Have him come over now!"

Xu Yaojie was outside in the office of the large open room, sitting at his own desk, when he saw Lu Man's counter-attack on Weibo.

He was so frantic he did not know how to deal with it.

First, it was his WeChat posts, then the voice recording, being exposed by Lu Man.

Lu Man was a demon, alright!

How did she anticipate that the production group would cause trouble?

Actually recording the conversation that day!

Xu Yaojie did not know whether it was due to anger, worry, or franticness, his hand that was holding his cell phone kept trembling.

Suddenly hearing Ge Guangzhen's yell, Xu Yaojie was extremely shocked, and his phone almost fell from his hand.

He hurriedly stood up. Ge Guangzhen had called Assistant Director Wang and Team Leader Wu into the office as well.

"What should we do about this situation?!" Ge Guangzhen was so worked up, he hit his thick table made out of real wood so hard it was vibrating, and the documents, the computer, and everything else on the table were hit 'til they were shaking.

Chapter 859 The Villain Dies Because They Talk Too Much

In Team Leader Wu's heart, he said, What could we do?

At the start, Team Leader Wu had reminded Ge Guangzhen about the aspects that they did not know:

At least in terms of public relations, Lu Man had yet to lose before and should not be provoked.

Her brilliant battle results were still remembered by a lot of netizens.

Yet Xu Yaojie had been adding oil to the fire at the side.

Now the situation was like this. After offending Lu Man, there was no way for them to close the situation in a good way, alright?!

Now he wanted to see what Xu Yaojie could do now!

Team Leader Wu looked at Xu Yaojie and realized that Xu Yaojie's facial expression was not good. He was extremely pale.

"Lao Wu, you're in charge of the public relations and publicity for our show. What do you think we should do now?" Ge Guangzhen asked.

Team Leader Wu smiled bitterly and said, "Director Ge, it really would not be easy for us to get out of this now. Although I am in charge of public relations and publicity, there must first be a situation where I can do public relations. Now that the situation has reached this stage, there's nothing I could do. Lu Man has a recording as proof. Even the screenshots of Assistant Director Xu's posts, I suspect those were published by Lu Man using a small account."

Team Leader Wu's words made Ge Guangzhen think of something.

Ge Guangzhen instantly turned the fire onto Xu Yaojie. "Why were you posting that kind of thing? Aren't you looking for trouble? Lu Man having a voice recording is one thing. None of us thought that Lu Man was so sly, even daring to record a contract signing!"

With this kind of tricks, who would dare to sign contracts with Lu Man in the future?

"Haha, given how she is like, in the future, no one will dare to sign a contract with her. Who would not be scared that if they said something wrong, she would record it and expose it? When talking to Lu Man about things, people really must be careful. Otherwise, they might be schemed against by Lu Man if they are not careful. Just with that alone, I want to see if anyone will be willing to work together with her in the future!" Ge Guangzhen said, gritting his teeth.

Assistant Director Wang coughed lightly.

Ge Guangzhen realized that he had started to talk off-topic and hurriedly told Xu Yaojie, "Why are you posting things randomly? Ah? Aren't you trying to let people blackmail you? What are you thinking, exactly? Why are you so dumb?"

A middle-aged man being called dumb by Ge Guangzhen directly, Xu Yaojie's whole face was red.

"I just could not hold myself back and posted something, and I did not say the name or the surname, yet who'd have known..." Xu Yaojie stuttered, trying to get out of it.

"Just by not saying the name, do you think that people won't be able to see who it is? Do you think people are dumb?" Ge Guangzhen said angrily. "Oh, it's you who's dumb, so you dumbly thought that everyone else is dumber than you!"

Xu Yaojie's face was red, and he did not dare to say anything.

All his blood was flowing to his head, and it was like it was about to explode.

He simply felt that his head was exploding; there was a buzzing sound all about, and it was extremely heated up.

"First was the day of the signing: you told Lu Man about the internal working of our show after she said a few sentences. Then there was you not knowing that Lu Man was secretly recording the exchange gloatingly looking down on others. Today, we were all busy trying to deal with Lu Man, and in the end, you dragged us down again. Do you have nothing to do? Why would you post something that people can use as blackmail material?" Ge Guangzhen got angrier the more he spoke. "Do you have nothing to do that you posted that?! Why did you post that?! Insisting on posting that kind of bullsh*t, pretending to be some manly guy, you don't feel comfortable when you're not pretending, is that it?!"

The villain dies because they talk too much—this line exactly suited Xu Yaojie!

"Director Ge, I feel that as long as we don't admit it, it's alright," Xu Yaojie said stiffly. "Lu Man gave only a recording and not a video. Who can prove that the voice in the recording is me? I'm working in the background, the netizens have not heard my voice before. And furthermore, voices recorded using a device is different from the actual person's voice. As long as I don't admit it, it's alright. Just say that Lu Man's recording is fake."

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Ge Guangzhen frowned, then hesitated and asked Team Leader Wu, "Lao Wu, what do you think?"

Team Leader Wu shook his head. "It's hard to say. If we deny it and it becomes a big mess, we become a joke instead. Assistant Director Xu, on the day of the signing, aside from you, another worker from our production group, Lu Man, and the other four students, was there anyone else in the room?"

"There's also a dean from the National Film Academy," Xu Yaojie said in a low voice.

"Look, if you deny it, what if the National Film Academy personally comes out and says something?" Team Leader Wu asked back.

"Would the National Film Academy defend Lu Man?" Xu Yaojie did not believe it. "Would such a big school do that just to protect a student? I've never heard of anything like that before. What kind of head of a major school can be such a busybody? What a dean says is not counted. He has a principal above him. Even if he wants to serve as a witness for Lu Man, it's not his choice to make."

Team Leader Wu sighed. "Whether the National Film Academy will speak out for Lu Man or not, I can't really tell, but there have been previous instances."

"What do you mean?" Ge Guangzhen asked.

Team Leader Wu directly raised up his phone and searched for the official Weibo of the National Film Academy. "Take a look."

"This was from before. When Bourbotte brought over Attack Force to promote his show, he had also gone against Lu Man. At that time, the National Film Academy directly stood up to express public support for Lu Man."

"That's different, right?" Xu Yaojie insisted. "That was concerning the pride of the locally-produced movies. At that time, Bourbotte's words were inappropriate, and everyone was angry when they heard it. As one of the big schools in the local industry, the National Film Academy's support of Lu Man was very normal."

Team Leader Wu then continued to scroll down Weibo. "Alright, then let's go back a bit more. Lu Man had not been in the school for long, and it seemed that her relationship with her classmates was not very good. A lot of students came out to attack her and even made a bet with her to see whose grades at the end of semester examinations were better. And in the end, Lu Man got first. The official Weibo of the National Film Academy once again publicly showed Lu Man's exam results to express support."

Seeing that Xu Yaojie wanted to speak again, Team Leader Wu said, "Don't tell me that this is also very normal. That is, as the first in the level, the National Film Academy coming out to praise her and show her grades is a kind of promotion for their school."

"But that's what it is," Xu Yaojie said.

However, they had never seen any other schools besides the National Film Academy do that.

Team Leader Wu laughed. "If you have time, you can look through the National Film Academy's official Weibo. See if the National Film Academy has done it before this—whether they have shown the student with the highest grades in previous years. I can tell you confidently here, they have never done it before. If you don't believe it, you can go and look through it."

Ge Guangzhen's eyebrows moved a bit. He was not believing Xu Yaojie totally. Xu Yaojie's pressure was large, not wanting to admit his mistake, and so he kept holding on.

But Ge Guangzhen did not feel the pressure at all, and so he could look at it in a more unbiased way. "Does the National Film Academy place so much emphasis on Lu Man?"

Team Leader Wu nodded. "I think the National Film Academy wants to make Lu Man a representative of their school. After all, among the students, Lu Man is famous enough with her two high-box-office-sales movies. Although I feel that if it's just these two points, it really does not need to be Lu Man. I don't know what the National Film Academy is thinking, but from the way their principal is doing things, I think he really wants to do that."

Team Leader Wu looked towards Xu Yaojie. "You attacking Lu Man like that, the National Film Academy is definitely not happy. If we don't try to solve it now and instead remain thick-skinned and deny it all the way, the National Film Academy would stand up for their star student to protect her reputation."

"There's no need to guess anymore," Assistant Director Wang suddenly said in a low voice.