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Chapter 951 Who Was The Female Lead?

To Lü Yan's surprise, the ploys that were useful back then were no longer effective when she was in college.

It was, after all, Peking University. Everyone was brilliant and difficult to deal with.

Lü Yan was after Zou Wenxuan's position-the vice president position. She snorted to herself. She was merely given some demerits.

When she became the vice president of the English club, she would have the means to erase her blemish. Zou Wenxuan might seem to be gentle and have a good temperament. However, Lü Yan knew that she might be more difficult to deal with than Tang Jiayun.

Zou Wenxuan did not care what was on Tang Jiayun's and Lü Yan's mind. Even if she knew about it, it did not bother her.

When it was time for her to step down, it was up to her to pass the position to whoever that she liked. These juniors had no say at all.

"What's wrong? Are you still troubled over it?" The president smiled lightly when he noticed that Zou Wenxuan was still in the meeting room. "Have you been intimidated by the freshman that Xu Shengnan has with her? We are in the capital. It has not been easy for us to maintain our position all these years. She is merely a freshman. She won't be able to raise funds."

This was his last year as president. He was no longer the ignorant freshman from back then who had an optimistic view of the future.

Looking for sponsorship was simply asking for money. It was not an easy task.

To people from other places, the top students from Peking University were incredible.

But in the capital, there were lots of freshmen every year. It was rare to see Peking University's students in other places, but the streets of the capital were full of Peking University's students and Tsinghua University's students.

Looking for sponsorship?

Ignorant teenagers would suffer lots of setbacks when looking for sponsorships.

"I can't be sure. Someone told me that Qiao Nan has a friend at Peking University and her relatives drove a Mercedes-Benz," Zou Wenxuan said lightly.

"Relatives of her friend?" The president was amused. "This is the funniest joke that I have heard this year."

Relatives of her friend... It was not even her friends.

Qiao Nan's relatives might not even be willing to give her money if she asked them for it, let alone the relatives of her friend.

It did not matter if the person drove a Mercedes-Benz or a plane.

It would be shameless of Qiao Nan to ask for money from them. Nobody would ask the relatives of one's friend for sponsorship.

Zou Wenxuan thought about it and agreed with what the president said. She relaxed and smiled. "I may have been thinking too much. Xu Shengnan is too much. She is already in her third year, yet she keeps targeting me. We are classmates. We should lead our own lives. She is plain annoying to compete with me in every way." If not for Xu Shengnan, she would not have been intimidated by a freshman.

Zou Wenxuan flushed red in anger at the thought that she had personally made a trip to talk to the freshman and offered her favors. The annoying thing was that she was rejected by the freshman. "When can we get our funds?"

"It is a bit of a hassle and it will take a little effort." The president rubbed his forehead. "It is not that easy to get sponsorships from our seniors." They did not know any big shots. Fortunately, many

graduates of Peking University who were from other regions stayed and worked in the capital and had businesses here.

He did not know about those graduates who worked for other companies. He was focused on contacting those who had their own businesses and made money out of it.

Given that they were Peking University's students, it was easier for them to look for sponsors.

Under such circumstances, most of the businesses were willing to provide sponsorships. However, they had just started their business, so they would not be willing to help if one kept asking them for sponsorships.

Furthermore, the English club knew to make use of their identity as Peking University's students to get sponsors from Peking University graduates. Students from other clubs also knew of this method.

Everyone worked hard to earn money. Seniors who graduated before them might be able to help when being approached for the first or second time, but they might not help if they were asked multiple times.

Therefore, even though Zou Wenxuan had some connections since she was a third-year student, it was not easy to secure sponsorships.

"Didn't you say that the senior who led you to join Peking University has been very successful in his business? How about we ask him for sponsorship? We haven't asked him in the past. If we are successful, I suppose the amount will be fairly significant." As long as they had the funds, the English club would be able to make sure that the event this year was much more successful than last year.

"He is doing well in his business." The president smiled bitterly. "However, the problem is that not everyone is easy-going. This senior is a tough nut to crack. Back then in school, he did not have a good temper. If I was not a freshman and he did not need to help me, I would not have the chance to know him."

He was not from the same faculty and he seemed to have the talent of running businesses even when he was still in school.

Everyone would need to look for sponsorship when they organized events. However, the senior himself came up with ways to get the funds. He did not need to seek help from others.

Because of this, the students seldom saw the senior when they organized events and looked for sponsorship.

Zou Wenxuan smiled. "I am very interested to know more about the person whom the president described as being challenging. Since this is the last time that I organize the event, shall I give it a try?" The president had mentioned more than once that the senior was young and capable.

Given some time, the senior would be able to make his mark in the capital and become the young entrepreneur that made Peking University proud.

He might be a tough nut to crack, but once she was successful, he would not simply provide them with sponsorship. He would be a tremendous help to them!

The president's eyes lit up. "Yes, perhaps no man can resist the charms of a beautiful woman? Actually, the senior is willing to help us. After his business is on tracks, he is willing to help his alumnus. Zou Wenxuan, if you are able to work in his company after you graduate, you will have a bright future. But let me say this beforehand. The senior has strict requirements. If you are not a good worker, it is useless to have the looks."

Zou Wenxuan had the looks and was good with her words. However, the president was not quite sure of her abilities.

Zou Wenxuan smiled. "President, thank you for the reminder. I am pretty confident in myself." The more challenging the task was, the more eager she was to succeed.

She would not let such a good chance slip. He was such a capable senior. Perhaps they would end up in a romantic relationship?

Zou Wenxuan, who had this in mind, would never have expected that, indeed, it almost ended up in a romantic relationship. However, the protagonist was Qiao Nan instead of her!

Chapter 952 The Opponent Was Too Formidable

“Right, how can I forget about it!” The president slapped himself on the head. “The senior will come to the school the day after tomorrow. I heard that the school invited him to give a talk to the juniors, sharing with them the current development and trends.”

“I understand!” There was no need for the president to say anything more. Zou Wenxuan understood what she should do next. “I will definitely sit in to listen.”

Zou Wenxuan went to listen to the talk. However, she did not expect to run into someone she least expected. “Qiao Nan, are you interested in this?”

Qiao Nan was also taken aback to see Zou Wenxuan. “I...” Could she say that she was not interested but she received the invitation for no reason and she came out of courtesy to take a look?

“It is such a coincidence. Let’s go together.” Zou Wenxuan smiled. She was not that surprised to see Qiao Nan there. Zou Wenxuan had heard a lot about the senior. He was what they called the top student.

Senior Gao skipped the levels when he was in high school. He was in his second year for half a year before he took the college entrance examination with the other third-year students in the second semester of his second year in school. He scored flying colors and joined Peking University.

Thereafter, the senior seemed to be on a roll. His progress was much faster than other students in the university.

Of course, Zou Wenxuan also heard that the senior had some connections. He was capable and smart enough to sit for the college entrance examination when he was only in his second year in high school.

In fact, when he was in high school, he was already learning the university syllabus.

Zou Wenxuan heard that the senior had a high IQ. He was a talent and was capable of skipping levels since a young age. But for certain reasons, he did not do so. However, he was able to make progress in his studies faster than other students.

But it seemed that when he was in high school, he no longer wished to take the usual route like what he did in elementary school and junior high school. He skipped levels and cut down a lot of time.

What impressed Zou Wenxuan the most was that the senior not only cut down the time that he had to study at the university, but he also took a double major. However, she was perplexed about one thing. He was a genius and had a good family background. He clearly had the ability to study overseas.

However, he had no intention of doing that and started his own business as soon as he graduated.

Back then, many people ridiculed the senior for letting go of the big prize while grabbing at trifles, saying that he should have gone for further studies since he was young. Why was he in a hurry to start his business?

The senior was smarter and more capable than others. He took less time to graduate from university and was more successful than others in doing business. It was not long after he graduated that he made it big in the capital and was deemed as the role model of his juniors.

The school invited him to give a small talk this time. Zou Wenxuan knew that in another two to three years' time, the school would invite the senior back for a big scale lecture.

The senior was talented, wealthy, and handsome. Many female students were interested in him. When Zou Wenxuan was in her first year, she used to like such influential figures like him. It was a pity that they did not have the chance to know each other.

Zou Wenxuan gave Qiao Nan a scornful smile. Qiao Nan was from another faculty, yet she came to sit in for the talk. She was not as beyond material gains as what she seemed. She was similar to those infatuated fools. "I am acquainted with the senior, and I want to talk to him regarding some matters. Why don't I introduce you to him? His company is doing very well. If we perform well enough, we may have the chance to work there. After all, we are from Peking University. We have an advantage over others."

"Wow, Senior Zou is experienced and knowledgeable." Qiao Nan knew that Zou Wenxuan was being boastful. She followed along to sing her praises.

Although they were not from the same society, Qiao Nan sang her praises like she was her senior. After all, she did not do anything that was way overboard to her.

“Well, we are from the same faculty. I should look out for you. Senior Gao is very busy. In fact, he has to make time for today’s talk. Remember to be careful with your words when you see him later. Even though he is an alumnus, he is, after all, a CEO. He is different from us. If you anger him, I will not be able to help you.”

Zou Wenxuan dared not boast that given her friendship with the senior, she would be able to help Qiao Nan even if she caused any trouble.

Zou Wenxuan was being smart about this.

“Thank you, Senior Zou.” Qiao Nan did not refuse her ‘kind intentions’. She merely frowned, showing that she was in a difficult position.

The reason being she saw Xu Shengnan.

Xu Shengnan pulled Qiao Nan aside. “Senior Gao is here for a talk. Initially, I am worried about the funds. But this is a good opportunity for us. His company is doing very well. If you are able to get along well with him, you will be able to receive sponsorship from him. It will save you a lot of effort. Don’t worry. I won’t leave everything to you. I will get you a ticket and I will be there as well. I will help you by the side.”

Xu Shengnan felt that Qiao Nan was still a freshman. She was inexperienced and she might be shy.

Senior Gao was already in the workforce. He would be more tolerant of a freshman like Qiao Nan who was ignorant of the ways of the world. He would not blame her for it.

Xu Shengnan left after that. Qiao Nan was at a loss.

Qiao Nan was already troubled that the vice president entrusted her with the task of fundraising. She had no confidence in completing the task and she was clueless as to how she should go about it.

Right now, the vice president had directed her to someone that she could get sponsorship from. It pointed her in a certain direction. However, Qiao Nan had no idea what she should say or do to get the sponsorships. It did not help her much.

In particular, she ran into Zou Wenxuan at the venue. Qiao Nan had an ominous feeling about it.

Regardless of which club it was, unless the secretary's family was wealthy or had relatives who were businessmen, it would not be easy to secure funds to organize events.

Furthermore, many students might meet the criteria of being the secretary. However, they did not know people in the capital. Their networks were limited to those from their hometown.

The school did not encourage students to ask their parents for money to sponsor the club or the events that were organized.

Qiao Nan had been pondering about this. She knew that the vice president was not the only person who had the plans of getting sponsorships from the senior.

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Under such circumstances where there were too many boats chasing too few fish, she was at a disadvantage.

Furthermore, Zou Wenxuan said that she was acquainted with the senior and she seemed to get along well with him. Qiao Nan had reasons to believe that she was here to get sponsorship from him as well.

Qiao Nan did not know the senior at all. On the contrary, Senior Zou knew him and they kept in touch.

Qiao Nan sucked in a breath at the thought of this. Even if her vice president was willing to help her, she was doomed to lose. She was not Senior Zou's opponent.

Zou Wenxuan had been staring at Qiao Nan. Even though Qiao Nan looked as per normal, Zou Wenxuan noticed the glitter in her eyes and smiled. "Senior Gao is very popular at Peking University. If not for the fact that he keeps a low profile and graduated earlier than others, he would have been the most handsome boy at our school. This is only a small discussion. There are not many available classrooms. Therefore, limited seats are available. It is not easy to get a ticket. Did Xu Shengnan give you the ticket?"

Qiao Nan was just a freshman. She had no means of getting a ticket.

There were limited seats for Senior Gao's talk. After catering to the students from his faculty, there were not many tickets left for new freshmen like Qiao Nan who was from another faculty. She simply had no chance to join the talk.

Zou Wenxuan snorted. Xu Shengnan had indeed lived up to her position as the vice president of the English club. She was indeed capable to be able to get the tickets under such circumstances.

Zou Wenxuan and Xu Shengnan were classmates. Xu Shengnan might have a bad temper but she was capable. Zou Wenxuan was clear of that. That was why Zou Wenxuan had to be on guard now that Xu Shengnan was very ambitious about securing funds for the events.

Zou Wenxuan took notice of Qiao Nan not because she had the abilities. It was simply because Xu Shengnan asked Qiao Nan to join the club.

Zou Wenxuan might not see Qiao Nan as a threat, but she had to be careful of people whom Xu Shengnan trusted.

"Yes," Qiao Nan replied, not bothering to explain. "I knew about this talk only after the vice president told me about it."

Zou Wenxuan smiled. "You are a peculiar person. Xu Shengnan may have a bad temper, but she trusted you with such a task. Qiao Nan, do you want to reconsider joining my club?"

Zou Wenxuan was amused. When people encountered such a situation, it was absolutely impossible for them to admit blatantly that someone helped them get in through the back door. They would find a way to explain that they had some means or that they could not be bothered with doing such things and was forced by other people.

However, Qiao Nan admitted right away that she was witless and had to rely on her senior to get in through the back door. Zou Wenxuan had never seen people like her.

Perhaps it was due to Xu Shengnan that she asked Qiao Nan to join her club previously. However, right now, she asked her simply because she wanted to get to know her.

Qiao Nan was at a loss for words. She smiled. "Senior Zou, thank you for the invitation." She had no intention of changing to another club.

“Are you that confident of completing the task that Xu Shengnan entrusted you with?” Zou Wenxuan widened her eyes. It was fine that she rejected her offer. She was not Xu Shengnan. She could do without Qiao Nan.

Qiao Nan shook her head, an honest look on her face. “There seems to be no hope.” With Senior Zou around, she was witless.

Even if Xu Shengnan was here, given that Zou Wenxuan was around, she would not place her hopes on the senior.

“Well, at least you know your limits. You are more adorable than Xu Shengnan.” If Xu Shengnan could know what was good for her like Qiao Nan, and she was not so stubborn, they would have been able to have a better time in their previous two years in college. “Let’s go, or we will be late. He does not like people who are late.”

“Sure.” Qiao Nan nodded and followed after her.

Many thoughts ran through her mind as Zou Wenxuan looked at the junior next to her.

The junior who was only a freshman knew that she was bound to lose. Why did she not leave but stay to suffer humiliation?

Qiao Nan looked calm and composed as usual. Her eyes were clear like water droplets on crystals. Zou Wenxuan had no idea what was on her mind.

After Zou Wenxuan and Qiao Nan went in, Xu Shengnan, who was the topic of their conversation, appeared hurriedly.

“Crap! Where did Qiao Nan go? Didn’t I tell her to wait for me and I will get someone to pass her a ticket? She has no ticket and is nowhere to be found. My goodness!”

Xu Shengnan looked at the watch. She was reminded that the senior hated people who were late. She gritted her teeth and stomped her foot. She grabbed the tickets in her hand tightly and went in by herself.

It was fine that Qiao Nan was not here. Anyway, it was too late.

Since Qiao Nan was not here, she must not be late.

If she was late, even if she had the opportunity to talk to the senior, she would not have the cheek to ask him for sponsorships. She was very clear that she would be rejected.

Actually, it would be better if the two of them tried to get the senior to provide sponsorship. But right now, Xu Shengnan had no other choice but to try her best to get the sponsorship by herself. It was better than not having any chance.

“Is Xu Shengnan here yet?” Zou Wenxuan asked Qiao Nan after they entered the room. She noticed that the room was filled with a lot of students.

Xu Shengnan was banking on getting sponsorships through the talk this time. Even though she trusted Qiao Nan and put all the stakes on her, she could not let Qiao Nan handle it by herself.

“I have no idea.” Qiao Nan was confused. “Is Vice President Xu coming as well? She only said that she would get someone to pass me a ticket. She did not say anything else. If she is here, we should be able to see her later.” Qiao Nan was not the least bit anxious.

Zou Wenxuan smiled and did not comment further. “Okay, let’s hurry to find a place to sit down.” Zou Wenxuan did not want to keep standing. By the time the talk started, it would be odd to be standing.

Qiao Nan glanced at the ticket in her hands. “Are we supposed to sit in assigned seats like when we are in the cinemas and on the trains?”

“You...” Zou Wenxuan looked at the ticket in Qiao Nan’s hand. “Why is your seat at the very first row?” She was not in the middle row. According to the number on the ticket, she was on the very first row. How could that be possible? “You can sit anywhere that you like. Do you think you are qualified to sit in the first row seats?”

Whenever there were big events, the best seats were reserved for the school management. Students would not be able to take the first row seats, not even the corner seats in the first row.

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Not many students would be able to sit in the first few rows, let alone a freshman like Qiao Nan.

Qiao Nan gave a faint reply. "Oh."

Qiao Nan could tell that the seat stated on her ticket was odd. She did not feel like sitting there. Therefore, she tried to confirm with Zou Wenxuan.

"Alright, you can sit next to me." Zou Wenxuan led Qiao Nan to her seat and sat down. At least, she took care of Qiao Nan.

Qiao Nan was particularly good-tempered. "Thank you, senior." It was better to sit next to Zou Wenxuan than to sit in the first row. "Senior Zou, look, that is Vice President Xu." Speak of the devil. But why was she so late?

"Xu Shengnan, over here." Zou Wenxuan was very gracious. Since there was a seat next to Qiao Nan, Zou Wenxuan motioned for Xu Shengnan to the seat. She was not worried that a bad-tempered Xu Shengnan would quarrel with her now that they were in close proximity

In Zou Wenxuan's opinion, instead of letting Xu Shengnan sit elsewhere and have the chance to talk to the senior to get the sponsorship, she would rather put Xu Shengnan near her, keeping a watch on her.

Since she could keep a tight watch on Xu Shengnan, she would not be able to do anything without her knowing.

"Zou Wenxuan? Qiao Nan!" Xu Shengnan was not surprised at seeing the nuisance Zou Wenxuan. Xu Shengnan was surprised that Qiao Nan sat next to Zou Wenxuan. She thought that Qiao Nan was hiding somewhere and would not be coming.

It was strange that Xu Shengnan and Zou Wenxuan had been thinking of the same thing right now.

Two people who were usually at odds with each other had the tacit understanding to sit together. "Qiao Nan, can you get up so that I can sit beside Zou Wenxuan? I have some matters to discuss with her. It is difficult with you in between us. She could keep a close watch on Zou Wenxuan when

she was just by her side. She was confident about discussing the sponsorship with the senior before Zou Wenxuan could.

She had to strike first and gain the upper hand.

“Okay.” Qiao Nan was not worried that Zou Wenxuan and Xu Shengnan were keeping a watch on each other. She gave up her original seat so that they could sit side by side.

Zou Wenxuan smiled. “Yes, I happen to have something to talk to your vice president.” Apart from having a sharp tongue, Xu Shengnan was physically strong.

If Xu Shengnan thought that she would be able to overpower her and hold her back from talking to the senior about the sponsorship, she was terribly wrong.

If Xu Shengnan dared to do so, she would make her suffer a terrible defeat on the spot.

Qiao Nan, who had sat on the side, could clearly sense the tension between Zou Wenxuan and Xu Shengnan. Sparks seemed to be flying between them. Qiao Nan could only gape in shock.

Her two seniors seemed to be shooting darts from their eyes.

“Zou Wenxuan, do give me your comments and suggestions.”

“Rest assured. I will definitely do so!”

Thereafter, they turned to the opposite side, not facing each other.

Xu Shengnan finally had the time to talk to Qiao Nan. “Qiao Nan, where have you been?”

“Vice President Xu, didn’t you tell me to come here?” Qiao Nan blinked. She was being very obedient. Even though she heard of the friendship between Senior Zou and Senior Gao, and that she had zero hope of completing her task, she still turned up for the talk. Qiao Nan admired herself for that.

“Yes, I wanted you to come, but didn’t I tell you to wait for me while I get someone to pass you the ticket? Why did you run away? I almost thought that you wouldn’t make it in time! Forget it. Nevertheless, you were earlier than me.” Xu Shengnan breathed a sigh of relief. Previously, she thought that she was alone and had decided to give it her best shot. Now, she felt more assured since she had an ally.

Xu Shengnan took out a ticket from her bag, disbelief in her tone as she said, “Zou Wenxuan, I am your classmate for more than two years. This is the first time I realized that you have some positive traits. Thank you for giving Qiao Nan the ticket. However, Qiao Nan is a member of our club. If she needs a ticket, we will settle it for her. I will return the ticket to you.”

She would not allow Qiao Nan to owe Zou Wenxuan a favor.

Zou Wenxuan was scheming. She was good at making use of other people’s sympathy.

What if Qiao Nan took the ticket that Zou Wenxuan gave her and turned softhearted when she was in front of the senior and thus did not try her best to request for sponsorship?

She had already prepared a ticket for Qiao Nan. She had to return the ticket to Zou Wenxuan so that things would not turn ugly later.

Qiao Nan and Zou Wenxuan were stunned momentarily.

Zou Wenxuan frowned and looked at Xu Shengnan. “Are you kidding? You should know how difficult it is to get a ticket to Senior Gao’s talk. Do you think I am stupid?” She would not have an extra ticket or lend it to people on her opposing side.

When did she become such a nice person in Xu Shengnan’s eyes?

“Qiao Nan came in with her own ticket. Didn’t you give Qiao Nan the ticket?” It was good enough to be able to secure a ticket, and it was proof of Xu Shengnan’s ability. She found it perplexing that Xu Shengnan would get a first-row seat for Qiao Nan. It was specially reserved for important figures.

How did Xu Shengnan manage to get the tickets? If one really sat according to the assigned seat, Xu Shengnan must have been very lucky to get such tickets.

They had been classmates for more than two years. Zou Wenxuan knew Xu Shengnan very well.

Xu Shengnan was able to get the tickets, but she was not capable of getting first row seats.

Zou Wenxuan finally felt assured when they found seats randomly and did not go according to the seats printed on the ticket. She thought that since one did not need to sit accordingly, the tickets must have been given randomly regardless of the seats.

Now that Xu Shengnan brought it up, Zou Wenxuan felt doubtful again. “Qiao Nan, where did you get the ticket?”

“Vice President Xu gave it to me,” Qiao Nan said innocently.

“No, your ticket is still with me. I told someone to pass it to you, but the person could not find you. They told me that you had left. The person had no choice but to return it to me.” Xu Shengnan waved the ticket in her hand. She had prepared a ticket for Qiao Nan, but the person did not pass it to her in time.

“Impossible. The ticket is with me.” Qiao Nan waved her ticket as well.

“This ticket is not mine.” Xu Shengnan did not know whether to cry or laugh. Even if Qiao Nan had a ticket with her, it was not the ticket that she had got for Qiao Nan. That ticket was still with her.

Chapter 955 It Was Too Embarrassing To Say It

The ticket that Qiao Nan had was not the ticket that she thought Zou Wenxuan had lent to Qiao Nan. “Qiao Nan, where did you get the ticket?”

It was difficult to get a ticket. Why would they have more than enough tickets?

Zou Wenxuan pursed her lips, her gaze locked on Qiao Nan. She had to get an answer from her.

Qiao Nan lifted the corners of her lips, confused. “If I say that I thought that the ticket was the ticket that the vice president prepared for me, will you believe me?”

Xu Shengnan and Zou Wenxuan shook their heads. This was not the ticket that Xu Shengnan had.

Qiao Nan sighed. “What if I say that I have no idea who gave this to me? Will you believe me?”

Xu Shengnan and Zou Wenxuan shook their heads once again. Qiao Nan must be kidding.

People were trying means and ways to get the tickets, yet Qiao Nan had an extra ticket for no reason. It was impossible.

Zou Wenxuan seemed unhappy. “Qiao Nan, is your seat in the first row? No matter what, I am your senior. Go ahead and tell us the truth. What is the point in lying to us?”

Was Qiao Nan pretending to be confused while she watched her make a fool of herself?

“I am innocent.” Qiao Nan smiled bitterly. “A senior passed me the ticket. I really thought that it was the ticket that Vice President Xu promised to give me previously. Perhaps someone passed the wrong ticket to me?”

“Impossible!”

“You must be kidding!”

That was a first-row seat. It would not be given wrongly.

There was a glitter in Xu Shengnan’s eyes. She could not tell what Qiao Nan was up to. “Qiao Nan, since you are a freshman, you may not know much about the situation here. Senior Gao almost became the most handsome boy in our school. He is the Prince Charming to many female students. Freshmen may not know, but second-year students and third-year students know it very well. It has a lot of significance.”

The reason why the tickets were so hard to come by was that many second-year and third-year female students had been eyeing the tickets.

They came from different faculties. Some were from the same faculty as the senior, while some were from different faculties.

When Senior Gao was still in school, he was the top student and was almost deemed as the most handsome boy. He set up a company after graduating and his business was thriving. He was a success story that teachers would often cite to students.

Many female students would give him love letters.

Right now, he was successful and wealthy. He was the subject of attention of even more female students. It would not be an exaggeration to say that all the second- and third-year female students went after him like a flock of ducks.

As a result, all of them would use all means and ways to attend the talk.

In fact, admission was free. However, due to excessive demand, the tickets ended up costing a significant amount of money.

Therefore, it was impossible to have an extra ticket.

Qiao Nan felt pressured at being stared at by her two seniors. “If this is the case, then I have nothing to say. I really don’t know who gave me this ticket.” She was clueless who gave her this ticket and played a trick on her.

Xu Shengnan and Zou Wenxuan exchanged looks with each other. It seemed that Qiao Nan was telling the truth. She really did not know whom the ticket was from.

If so, this was weird.

The second-year and third-year female students had been fighting for the ticket, yet a freshman like Qiao Nan had an extra ticket...

Xu Shengnan and Zou Wenxuan felt thankful that they had tickets as well. If not, they would be so embarrassed to have lost to a freshman.

Xu Shengnan glanced at the ticket in Qiao Nan's hands. It was indeed a first-row seat. She told Qiao Nan secretly, "Remember to keep this ticket well and don't tell others that you have this ticket. In particular, keep the fact that it is a first-row seat to yourself."

Xu Shengnan was speaking to Qiao Nan, but her gaze was fixed on Zou Wenxuan.

If this was not handled well, second-year and third-year students might find Qiao Nan to be an eyesore and would cause trouble for her.

It was better to avoid unnecessary trouble. This had more or less to do with Xu Shengnan.

They were members of the new English club and she was Qiao Nan's senior. Xu Shengnan would keep a lookout for her junior.

Xu Shengnan would not tell anyone about this or create trouble for Qiao Nan.

Apart from Xu Shengnan and Qiao Nan, Zou Wenxuan was the only person who knew of this.

Zou Wenxuan was exasperated. She snorted unhappily. "You can rest assured. I am not a tattle-tale." Even if Qiao Nan did not know whom the ticket was from, Zou Wenxuan did not have a good feeling toward the first-row seat.

As a third-year student and the vice president of the established English club, her ticket was not as good as the ticket of a freshman who had just joined the school. It was such a shameful thing. She would definitely not tell others.

But then again, those present, including Qiao Nan, the party concerned, were very curious to know how she came across this ticket.

Even Qiao Nan herself did not know how she got the ticket. This was all the more interesting.

Qiao Nan had yet to figure out exactly what happened, and the cell phone that Zhai Sheng bought for her rang.

Qiao Nan took it out and saw that it was an unfamiliar number. But the phone kept ringing. Qiao Nan had no choice but to answer it. "Hello..."

Qiao Nan's action caught the attention of Zou Wenxuan and Xu Shengnan. Qiao Nan was supposed to be on a work-study program, but she could afford a cell phone and the model was quite good.

"Hello, is this Qiao Nan? I am Grandpa Feng."

There was a seemingly affectionate tone on the other end of the phone. Qiao Nan almost wanted to spit at him.

Her grandfather died at an early age. Ever since she was born, she had never seen her grandfather, and neither had Qiao Zijin. Where did this man come from to say that he was her grandfather?

"..." Qiao Nan was silent.

"I heard from Qing Qing that you participated in a school club and need sponsorships. We are one family. If you need money, why don't you seek us out for help? Feng Meng has his own business. If your club wants to organize events and needs sponsorships, you can ask him for help. I will get someone to send you his phone number and address. You can look for him directly."

Apart from Zhai Hua, the entire Zhai family was in the capital.

Chapter 956 Would Not Fall for Your Trap

Previously, Old Master Feng had thought of many methods and tried many methods as well, but they were no longer effective.

Now, if they wanted to be close to Qiao Nan, it was impossible to go harsh on her. If the Feng family dared to do anything atrocious, the Zhai family would not hesitate to retaliate. Therefore, they could only use the soft approach.

The Zhai family was righteous. Besides their hard-earned money and those given to them by the country, they had no other tricks up their sleeves.

The Feng family merely did some research and they found out about Qiao Nan's current situation.

Qiao Nan lacked money while the Feng family had lots of money.

The Feng family's plan was to offer her small favors and to boil the frog slowly. Qiao Nan would gradually acknowledge the Feng family as her kin.

The Zhai family had to leave the capital eventually, but Qiao Nan had to study in the capital for four years. This meant that the Feng family had four years to get close to Qiao Nan.

Once the Zhai family left the capital, Qiao Nan would be without their protection, and she would have to seek shelter with the Feng family.

The Zhai family might be willing to make the trip for Qiao Nan once or twice, but they would not do so for her three times, four times, or even a dozen times.

Old Master Feng could not help but sigh. Time was on their side. It could do the Zhai family in and tear down Qiao Nan's defense against the Feng family.

Qiao Nan arched her eyebrows. "Did Shi Qing tell you about this?"

"Yes, Qing Qing is very concerned for you. After knowing that you are in need of help, she thought of seeking help from us. We are one family. Actually, you can come directly to us. There is no need to stand on ceremony." Old Master Feng lied through his teeth and he did not feel the least shameful at all.

Qiao Nan shifted her foot and looked relaxed. "Thank you for the kind intentions, but I don't need it for the time being."

"If you are busy, I can arrange for Feng Meng to send the money directly to you." Old Master Feng smiled on the other end of the phone. He did not care that Qiao Nan rejected his offer.

As long as Qiao Nan took their money, Qiao Nan would not be able to be rid of the Feng family in the future.

Qiao Nan leaned back. “I don’t care what Feng Meng wants to do. It is your family’s business. Since Old Master Feng asked me today, my answer is clear and simple—I don’t need your help. If he insists on supporting the clubs and events that the college students organize, all of the clubs will be very thankful for the help and support that the Feng family gives them.”

In short, if they really sent the money, Peking University’s students and the new English club would be thankful for their help. Her brain was not damaged. The money was for the club. How could she be made accountable for it?

She would never puff herself up at her own cost.

It was just Old Master Feng’s wishful thinking that she would be held accountable and she would not be rid of the Feng family in the future.

Old Master Feng tightened his grip on the phone. “It is because of you that the Feng family is willing to fork out money.” Without Qiao Nan, the Feng family would not spend a single cent on the school.

Qiao Nan laughed in anger. “I don’t know and don’t need to know the reason why the Feng family is willing to fork out money. All I know is that the money belongs to the Feng family. They are the only people who have the right to decide where their money will go to.”

The Feng family was willing to give the money by themselves. How dared they make her take responsibility for it?

Because of her?

She did not ask the Feng family to fork out money for the new English club on account of her. She would not stop them if they insisted on doing so. However, she must make things clear right from the start.

If they gave money to the club, they did it willingly and on their own accord. It had nothing to do with her.

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Old Master Feng might have wanted to make her take responsibility for it, but she was not willing to go along with him.

In short, she would not stop the Feng family from sponsoring the club. However, if they wanted to make use of this to have ties with her, it was absolutely impossible.

Old Master Feng was so angry that his hand shook. It had been years since someone dared to use this attitude with him. A young lady who had no influential background would actually dare to speak to him in this way, disregarding his feelings. The Zhai family was indeed her strong backing!

In Old Master Feng's opinion, Qiao Nan dared to be disrespectful to him and put on airs because she had the Zhai family as her support. In fact, it was the truth.

Without the Zhai family, the Feng family would not want to be related to Qiao Nan or create trouble for her.

Of course, since it was due to the Zhai family that she landed herself in such trouble, she would not reject their help. She would need their help to solve the problem of the Feng family.

Since the Zhai family supported her, Qiao Nan did not fear Old Master Feng as she had the Zhai family to fall back upon.

“Good, very good. You are very brave.” Old Master Feng let out a breath as if to let out all his anger. “It's fine that you don't need our help now. We are relatives. If there is anything, we need to discuss it. If you need our help, you can give me a call. I will get Feng Meng to send the money to you.”

He knew very well what kind of people the Zhai family was.

Qiao Nan needed sponsorships, but no one in the Zhai family would help her.

Not everyone in the capital knew about Qiao Nan's relationship with the Zhai family. If the Feng family put some pressure on the businesses in the capital, regardless of how good Qiao Nan was with her words, no one would provide her with sponsorships.

“Alright. I will remember your words.” Qiao Nan could not be bothered to say that it was impossible or to feign civility. What she had to do now was to end the call. “Goodbye, Old Master Feng.”

“Goodbye.” Old Master Feng, who had made up his mind, ended the call. There would be a day when Qiao Nan would come asking for help.

Qiao Nan hung up the phone and put it back into her pocket. She turned to see Xu Shengnan and Zou Wenxuan, who were in shock. They were dumbstruck.

Qiao Nan touched her face with her hand. “Do I have flowers on my face?”

Xu Shengnan and Zou Wenxuan shook their heads.

Qiao Nan was baffled. Since she did not have any flowers on her face, why would her seniors stare at her with such an incredulous expression?

Zou Wenxuan wore a perplexed expression on her face. “Someone wanted to lend you money and you rejected him?” Unless they had their own way of solving the money issue, whenever they needed to look for sponsorship, they would have to go around begging for help. Someone wanted to sponsor the club and was rejected outright. Zou Wenxuan had never seen such an absurd situation.

Xu Shengnan moved her mouth. She did not know if she should severely criticize Qiao Nan or ask Qiao Nan what was going on to satisfy her gossipy nature.

It was the sponsorship that they had been talking about. It was offered even without them doing anything, yet Qiao Nan rejected it.

Xu Shengnan felt as if her heart was bleeding. It ached tremendously.

Chapter 957 Had Powerful Backing

However, Xu Shengnan was not foolish and she could hear clearly.

The person who offered the sponsorship had a hidden agenda and was after Qiao Nan. Although Xu Shengnan wanted to defeat Zou Wenxuan, she would not sacrifice Qiao Nan.

It was one thing to know, but it was another thing to be rational about it. Xu Shengnan's heart ached at the loss that she almost fainted.

Fine, she would not be able to defeat Zou Wenxuan for the event this year. Even if she wanted to compete with her in the future, she had to do so after she graduated and joined the workforce.

Xu Shengnan seemed different from her usual bustling and energetic self. Instead, she looked dejected. She flopped on the chair and seemed to be in a trance. She seemed to have completely given up on the sponsorship.

It was not easy to get sponsorship from Senior Gao, and they could not accept the sponsorship that was offered to them. The new English club was really down on its luck.

Hopefully, after a few years when she returned to Peking University, the new English club would still be running. It must not be ruined under her hands.

Zou Wenxuan's mood was only slightly better than Xu Shengnan's. Zou Wenxuan used to think that she had overestimated Qiao Nan. It was too timid of her to be intimidated by her just because of the false thread.

Right now, Zou Wenxuan had other thoughts.

When Qiao Nan joined Peking University, her details might have said that she did not come from a well-to-do family. However, Qiao Nan seemed to be acquainted with important and influential figures.

The Feng family?

Zou Wenxuan heard from three of Qiao Nan's roommates that the Feng family was wealthy and they were serious about providing sponsorships.

If Qiao Nan agreed to the sponsorship, Xu Shengnan would already be celebrating with Qiao Nan. They would be rejoicing over the success of the new English club and that it could finally take its first and most difficult step toward success.

Xu Shengnan was dealt with a hard blow. She seemed to have given up totally. Zou Wenxuan felt slightly better at Xu Shengnan's dejected look.

Both of them were Qiao Nan's seniors. She was not the only person who was dealt a hard blow by Qiao Nan. She felt much comforted that Xu Shengnan was in a worse state than her.

Qiao Nan bucked up. She had no idea why Vice President Xu seemed to be very dejected.

The talk started right then.

Qiao Nan fixed her gaze on the senior whom Xu Shengnan and Zou Wenxuan had described as being very brilliant and outstanding.

Qiao Nan counted with her fingers. The senior might be very smart, studied a double major in college, and made use of connections to finish the required modules and graduate ahead of time. Regardless of how he cut down in time, he should be in the same batch as her seniors.

It was alright for her to address him as senior, but why would her seniors address him as senior as well?

Her two seniors did not skip a grade, while the senior did. In that case, Senior Gao should be older than her and as compared to her seniors...

The three of them should be the same age. It was even likely that Senior Gao was younger than her two seniors.

Nevertheless, Qiao Nan would not be such a fool to bring up her doubts. Every woman would take issue that they were old and no longer young.

"He is very handsome, right?" Gone was the dejected look on Xu Shengnan's face. Since she had no confidence in getting the sponsorship and was ready to give up, she might as well sit back and relax as she listened to the talk. It was pointless to torture herself. "Indeed, Senior Gao is very dashing. If he did not graduate within such a short period of time, he would be the most handsome boy at Peking University. No one would be able to take his place."

"Does Senior Xu think that he is very handsome as well?"

“...” Xu Shengnan gave Qiao Nan a disdainful look. “Regardless of my personality, I am still an ordinary woman. Senior Gao is so outstanding and talented. I am not blind. It is natural that I have a good impression of him. It is a pity that he has graduated. Furthermore, when he was still in school, many female students gave him love letters, but he never accepted any of them. Qiao Nan, do you think it is possible for him not to like women?”

Every woman, including seniors and juniors as well as his peers, liked Senior Gao. Some were delicately pretty while others were beautiful and gracious. All types of women liked him, but he did not accept any of them.

In ancient times, the emperor’s harem was not as strict as this. Why did it seem as if Senior Gao was stricter than when the emperor was choosing concubines?

If the problems did not lie with the female college students, it must have to do with Senior Gao.

Qiao Nan curled the corner of her lips at the topic that was being discussed. “Vice President Xu, I have only joined Peking University for a month, and I don’t know many people. If not for you, I wouldn’t know that there was such a senior in our university. I have no idea why he did not have any girlfriend.”

As for whether he was gay, Qiao Nan had no wish to express her opinions. This matter had nothing to do with her. She could not be bothered with it.

“This is just a casual and private chat between us. I don’t mean anything else. I am in the same batch as him. All of us are speculating and betting about why he is not in a relationship. Now that we’re talking about him, I am reminded of the bet. That’s why I discussed it with you.” Xu Shengnan made her comments nonchalantly. She did not feel that there was anything wrong with what she just said.

Zou Wenxuan, who was ambitious and dreamed of becoming his wife, frowned. “Don’t make false guesses. Senior Gao does not have a good temper. If he learns about it, he may sue you for defamation. Even if you have no hopes of getting the sponsorship, you should not be saying this.”

If the senior was gay, it would mean that she did not have any chance at all.

Moreover, he was so dashing. It was a pity if he preferred men.

Zou Wenxuan's expression darkened right then. "Xu Shengnan, do you feel that it is not easy being a woman? When one is dating, one has to compete with other women to get the man that one likes. After getting married, one has to guard against third parties. Right now, one still has to compete with men for the man that she likes..."

Xu Shengnan patted Zou Wenxuan's shoulder. "You should look at it this way. It is true that men could be gays, but women could be lesbians as well. In this case, as a man, one has to compete with other men for the woman he likes and he has to guard against the third party in his marriage. He also has to compete with other women for the woman he likes. You will feel much better this way."

"Have you seen such cases?" She had heard of gays, but not for lesbians.

Minutes ago, both of them were at loggerheads with each other. However, minutes later, they were happily engaged in their own conversation. Qiao Nan cupped her chin in her hand and rolled her eyes at the unexplainable hostility and camaraderie between the two of them.

Chapter 958 Turned Out That They Knew Each Other

Perhaps it would not take long before the two of them turned hostility into friendship and became each other's bosom friends.

Qiao Nan fixed her gaze on the man who was in his suit, standing at the podium. He was confident and self-effacing. He had the charisma of a successful businessman. Qiao Nan shook her head. She had the feeling that Senior Gao seemed to be very familiar as if she had seen him somewhere.

Xu Shengnan noticed that Qiao Nan was behaving oddly. She waved her hands in front of Qiao Nan. "Stop looking at him. Don't tell me that you have seen him before and that you know him. This trick is not effective on him." Furthermore, Zou Wenxuan had been eyeing him covetously and had some past friendship with him.

It was good for them if Qiao Nan succeeded. If she failed, the new English club would miss their shot at success and would be making a fool of themselves in front of Zou Wenxuan.

Xu Shengnan could not be humiliated in front of Zou Wenxuan.

Zou Wenxuan lifted her chin. She was glad that Xu Shengnan knew her limitations.

Qiao Nan nodded obediently. She knew that it was impossible for her to know the legendary Senior Gao. Even if she had seen him before, she must have read about him on the school's magazine, talking about how he was the model student. That must be the reason why it left an impression on her.

While Qiao Nan was in a trance, the event ended in no time.

Regardless of their motives in attending the talk, everyone gave him a big round of applause.

Qiao Nan applauded as well while whispering to Xu Shengnan. "Senior, have you given up on the idea of getting sponsorship from the senior? Many of the students have left. Should we leave as well?"

Xu Shengnan shot Qiao Nan a dejected look. "Are you very happy? There is no hope of securing funds from Senior Gao, and I have no wish to probe about the phone call and your refusal from just now. But the problem is that unless we give up on organizing the event, you will still need to get the sponsorship. This means you have to rack your brains to come up with a way."

Now that this method would not work out, Qiao Nan had to find another way of getting the money. Qiao Nan should not be too happy that they had one less option.

Qiao Nan stiffened. Indeed, like Vice President Xu had said, she should not rejoice too early. She still had work to do. "Vice President Xu, let's not give up right away. Shall we give it another try?"

In the capital, the Feng family aside, or rather, she did not know anyone, including the Feng family.

Now that they had no hopes of getting sponsorship from Senior Gao, and as she was new to the capital, she was helpless.

Xu Shengnan patted Qiao Nan on the shoulder. "Sure, let's try again. We should make a Hail Mary effort. Perhaps we will succeed."

Even if they were not successful, it was a good idea to be a hindrance to Zou Wenxuan so that she would not succeed so easily. "The school management committee has left. Let's hurry up. We must

not miss such a good chance.” Zou Wenxuan had left her and Qiao Nan by themselves. Without another word, Xu Shengnan pulled Qiao Nan with her to catch up with Zou Wenxuan.

Zou Wenxuan turned to see that they were catching up with her. She snorted and moved to stand in the middle, blocking the narrow passageway so that Qiao Nan and Xu Shengnan could not reach Senior Gao before her.

Gao Yan drank some water to soothe his throat. He looked up and saw three female students coming his way.

Gao Yan’s eyes lit up, the corners of his lips curling up slightly. He looked directly at the three of them.

Zou Wenxuan, who was blocking Xu Shengnan’s path, could not help but blush at Gao Yan’s gaze. Her hands and legs stiffened and she was so nervous that she almost forgot how to walk.

Zou Wenxuan seemed to have difficulty in coordinating her hands and legs and tripped.

Fortunately, Xu Shengnan and Qiao Nan supported Zou Wenxuan from the back. Otherwise, Zou Wenxuan might have fallen and made a fool of herself in front of her Prince Charming.

After steadying Zou Wenxuan, Xu Shengnan slapped her right hand with her left hand unhappily. “Such a good-for-nothing hand. Why did you support her?”

Zou Wenxuan was acquainted with Senior Gao. He was only short of walking forward to greet her. Even if she made a fool of herself, Senior Gao would not take issue with her.

Xu Shengnan snorted. Zou Wenxuan was in such a favorable position.

Could it be that although Senior Gao did not go into a relationship when he was in school, he, in fact, had a good impression of Zou Wenxuan? Now that he had graduated, he finally revealed his feelings for her?

Xu Shengnan was jealous and envious at the thought of that.

He was such an outstanding Prince Charming. Every woman would like him. Xu Shengnan was one of them.

Xu Shengnan was as listless as a frosted eggplant. “Qiao Nan, there is no hope for us. Senior Gao is acquainted with Zou Wenxuan. There is no way that we can do anything about the sponsorship. Let’s go.” Even if they lingered around, they would not be a hindrance to Zou Wenxuan. Or rather, they would have to watch them as they talked happily with each other.

Qiao Nan grabbed Xu Shengnan, who was about to leave. “Vice President Xu, what’s the hurry? We must stay until the last moment.” Senior Zou had yet to get the money.

Qiao Nan had made up her mind. In order to avoid being targeted by the Feng family, she would spend all her efforts on the ‘impossible’ Senior Gao so that the Feng family would not have the chance to offer their money.

She had to use her glib tongue on Senior Gao to get sponsorship from him!

“You are indeed here.”

“Senior Gao.”

Zou Wenxuan, who walked toward Gao Yan, saw him walked past her to stand right in front of Xu Shengnan and Qiao Nan.

Qiao Nan, who had made up her mind, saw this change of events and smiled. “Vice President Xu, here is our chance! It seems that not only does Senior Zou know Senior Gao, but you know him as well! I can’t believe it. Vice President Xu, you are incredible.”

Qiao Nan grabbed Xu Shengnan’s arm anxiously. Since Xu Shengnan had this trump card, there was no need for her to attend the talk with the vice president. Given the current situation, it was clear that Vice President Xu had a closer relationship with Senior Gao than Senior Zou. The new English club would definitely get the sponsorship.

Xu Shengnan, who hung her head, heard Qiao Nan’s words and stood upright, staring incredulously at Senior Gao, who was indeed standing right in front of her with a friendly smile on his face.

My goodness! Had love struck?!

Xu Shengnan, who was dizzy with happiness, felt weak in her legs. She had no idea since when did she have a close friendship with Senior Gao. She had no recollection at all. She must be dreaming.

Xu Shengnan smiled brightly like a besotted fool while Zou Wenxuan turned green with anger. After everything, it turned out that she had underestimated Xu Shengnan. She had been modest about her skill.

Chapter 959 Qiao Nan Played Dumb to Take Advantage of Her

Gao Yan arched an eyebrow. He did not seem to understand Qiao Nan's words. "Qiao Nan, I didn't expect that we will become alumni. I heard that you were joining Peking University. I was going to welcome you when school started, but my company was very busy and I could not make it."

Xu Shengnan's and Zou Wenxuan's expressions changed. There was a ferocious glare in their gazes. Zou Wenxuan stared at her with animosity while Xu Shengnan was curious and happy to hear that. "Qiao Nan, are you... acquainted with Senior Gao?" He even said that he intended to welcome Qiao Nan when school started. It seemed that they were quite close.

Xu Shengnan's heart was racing. She seemed to be alternating between heaven and hell. She had to thank her parents for gifting her with a healthy body and a strong heart. If not, she might be in hospital now.

"No, I don't know him." Qiao Nan shook her head.

Xu Shengnan had a look of disbelief on her face. Senior Gao had already said so, yet Qiao Nan refused to admit.

If she knew that Qiao Nan was close to Senior Gao, there was no need for her to worry about Zou Wenxuan.

Zou Wenxuan's face turned from green to white and then purple. She was enraged. She had thought that the person who had been hiding her abilities was Xu Shengnan, but it turned out that it was Qiao Nan who had been playing dumb!

“However, I feel like I have seen him somewhere before.” Qiao Nan bent her neck as if talking to herself.

Gao Yan smiled. “Yes, we have met once in the past. It is no wonder you do not have much impression of it.” If not because of that person, he would not remember Qiao Nan or notice that she had gone to Peking University and was in the capital. “Actually, it was someone who told me to welcome you when school started.”

Gao Yan gave a lot of clues. Qiao Nan thought hard about it and it suddenly struck her mind. “Are you Fang Fang’s childhood sweetheart?”

That was right!

They had indeed met once.

“Childhood... Sweetheart?” Was he that young?

Now that Qiao Nan remembered who Gao Yan was, she was no longer as restrained and nervous as she was just now. She no longer behaved like a junior who had just been introduced to the top student at school. She was more casual and relaxed. “So you used to study at Peking University. You are the Senior Gao that they have been talking about. It’s strange. Why didn’t Fang Fang come to the capital to study? Why did she choose to study at the key university in the province?” She thought that Fang Fang would be inseparable from Gao Yan.

“Since you have a company in the capital, do you not intend to go back? What about Fang Fang? Don’t tell me I was wrong back then?” At that time, Gao Yan had rushed to Ping Cheng High School because of Fang Fang, who had been undecided between the humanities and the science classes, and he insisted on thanking her for helping Fang Fang. Gao Yan must be interested in Fang Fang.

Gao Yan laughed, finding Qiao Nan to be a very interesting person. The most important thing was that he was very satisfied that Qiao Nan was very protective of Fang Fang. “I have my own plans. Fang Fang may be studying at the university in the province, but it will not be long before Fang Fang’s parents come to the capital before her.” In other words, once Fang Fang’s parents came to the capital, she could not possibly stay in the province.

“Oh, I see.” Qiao Nan was relieved. “Gao Yan, I am reassured now, but are you?”

Gao Yan paused momentarily. “What do you mean?”

“What do I mean? Silly! Fang Fang is very well-behaved. She did not date when she was in junior high school or high school. Do you think that she will not have someone by her side when she is in university? You must be very gracious for not worrying that she will be taken.” She always thought that once Fang Fang graduated from high school, Gao Yan would make sure that Fang Fang became his girlfriend, just like what Brother Zhai did. “I just talked to Fang Fang a few days ago. Judging from her tone, she seems to be in love. I thought that you two...”

It turned out that Gao Yan did not bring about the change in Fang Fang.

If Gao Yan had been dating Fang Fang, Gao Yan would not use this tone when he spoke to Qiao Nan. What Gao Yan would do now was to treat her to a meal.

Gao Yan’s face darkened at Qiao Nan’s words. “Are you saying that Fang Fang has a boyfriend in university?!”

“Based on my three years of experience of sharing a dormitory with her, I feel that the probability is about 87.5 percent.” Qiao Nan touched her chin. “You should know Fang Fang’s temper. She would not use such a sweet and gentle tone with friends like me. Do you think there will be other female friends who will bring about such a change in her?”

She was not being boastful. She was very confident about this.

Gao Yan’s expression darkened. “Previously, when I talked to Fang Fang on the phone, she told me that her friends in the university are not as good as her friends in high school.”

Since she was not close to her ordinary friends, it must be her boyfriend who brought about such a change in her.

Qiao Nan tried to hold in her smile and patted Gao Yan on the shoulder. “Don’t be discouraged. There is still a chance. She is merely dating him. She has yet to marry him. Furthermore, you know her earlier than him.”

Gao Yan calmed down. "Does the club that you are in need of sponsorship?" There was a glitter in Gao Yan's eyes. He seemed to be saying that it was not easy to get sponsorship.

Even if Gao Yan originally had the intention of helping Qiao Nan, as a businessman, Gao Yan had to make use of this opportunity so that he would not lose the beauty and his money.

Qiao Nan tidied her hair, looking calm and unhurried. "Did Fang Fang tell you to take good care of me?" If Fang Fang learned that Gao Yan did not take care of her, she would only be more averse to Gao Yan.

Qiao Nan was fearless now.

"I will take good care of you in your four years of college," Gao Yan said reluctantly.

Qiao Nan was thrilled. "If you have the ability, there is no need for that!" She would admire Gao Yan for being a tough guy.

Xu Shengnan felt that the situation seemed to be going downhill. They were about to break out in a quarrel.

Xu Shengnan pulled Qiao Nan secretly. Even if they were old acquaintances, Qiao Nan must know her limits. They must not allow Zou Wenxuan to stand to gain.

But then, what exactly was the relationship between Qiao Nan and Senior Gao? Why did Qiao Nan dare to use such an attitude toward the Prince Charming of the fellow female students?

The strangest thing was that Senior Gao seemed to be subdued by Qiao Nan.

Qiao Nan bared her teeth and smiled at Xu Shengnan. She knew what she was doing. "Do you like Fang Fang?"

"..." Gao Yan's face sank. He did not understand what Qiao Nan meant by asking this.

Qiao Nan was not in a hurry for Gao Yan to answer her. She said unhurriedly, "Regarding the sponsorship, it is just a simple student activity. It is not a big deal. But if I am to help you with

regard to your relationship with Fang Fang, I may affect her entire life. Before I can be sure that you are a good man, do you think I will help you get close to Fang Fang and cause her harm?" After all, Fang Fang was one of her few good friends since she went through rebirth.

She had seen many scumbags and she had met one of them. Although Gao Yan was Fang Fang's childhood sweetheart, Qiao Nan still had her doubts about him. Hence, she was cautious.

Chapter 960 Prince Charming Turned Into Boot-Licker

If he did not want her to help, she would not be bothered with what he did. At most, if Fang Fang asked about him, she would tell her what happened for reference.

On the contrary, even if Gao Yan really wanted her to help him, she would rather Fang Fang go ahead and date the current boyfriend before she was certain what kind of person Gao Yan was. If he was not a good man, at least, she could gain some experience. It was better than helping a scumbag pursue her good friend.

Gao Yan was not in a position to lose his temper at Qiao Nan. "I like her."

"How long has it been?"

"..." Gao Yan hesitated. How long had it been?

"Can't remember?" Qiao Nan's eyes lit up, her eyebrows raised. "Let me put it this way. When did you find out that you like Fang Fang?"

"..." Gao Yan was not particularly eager to answer this question as well.

It was useless to like her since a young age or to keep a tight watch on her. He could not control her actions or stop her from liking other men!

"Alright, I will help you." Even though Gao Yan did not answer Qiao Nan's questions, Qiao Nan did not take issue with him. Instead, she agreed to help him. "Of course, you will have to provide sponsorship for the club's event."

Gao Yan breathed a sigh of relief. At least, he did not need to answer such embarrassing questions. “Sure, the sponsorship is not a problem. As for Fang Fang’s boyfriend...” At the thought that the childhood sweetheart that he had been keeping a tight watch on dated someone else behind his back, Gao Yan was heartbroken and furious.

“He should not be considered a boyfriend.” Qiao Nan smiled like a scammer.

Gao Yan was doubtful. “Are you sure?”

“Of course. If he were her boyfriend, Fang Fang would not tell her childhood sweetheart, but she would definitely tell me. You should have known this long ago.” Right now, someone must have been pursuing Fang Fang and she did not reject him. They were in an ambiguous stage. The person had been working hard in gaining her affection.

Gao Yan smiled bitterly.

That was indeed the case. Back then, he tried all means and ways to persuade Fang Fang to choose the humanities class, but she refused to listen to him and insisted on choosing the science class. If she was not bent on spiting him, given her results, she should be able to study at The High School Affiliated to Renmin University of China. In the end, Fang Fang chose to study at Ping Cheng High School in order to avoid him.

Fang Fang was lucky to have met Qiao Nan. Even so, Gao Yan did not feel the least bit happy at the thought that Fang Fang did everything to avoid him.

“Okay, I will leave Fang Fang to you.” The girl that he liked had finally grown up. Gao Yan would not let her go this time. He would not allow his childhood sweetheart to be ‘eaten’ by another man.

Qiao Nan gestured an ‘okay’ sign with her hands. “Vice President Xu, you can have a good chat with Gao Yan regarding the sponsorship that we need this time.” They had settled everything except for the exact amount of money that they needed.

Xu Shengnan who was in a daze smiled brightly in the next instant.

Senior Gao was her Prince Charming, but he was lectured by Qiao Nan in front of her and he turned into a boot-licker. What was going on exactly? One thing she knew was that their club had finally gotten the sponsorship.

“Hahaha...”

Xu Shengnan had a good impression of Gao Yan as well. However, he was the Prince Charming who was beyond her reach. It was fine to think about him at times, but she had no intention of being with him.

Xu Shengnan had sorted out her thoughts unlike the rest of the female students. Now, she finally knew that her Prince Charming was not gay and he was interested in women. Furthermore, he already had a childhood sweetheart that he had liked for a long time.

Such a Prince Charming was simply perfect.

“Okay.” Gao Yan had some impression of Xu Shengnan. More importantly, Gao Yan was certain that Xu Shengnan did not have any other hidden agenda, unlike other female juniors. She did not have unrealistic fantasies toward him.

Gao Yan had no wish to work with people who were absorbed in their own fantasies. He would rather spend more time to sort out the details with Qiao Nan. He could also make use of this chance to leave a good impression on Qiao Nan so that she would help him put in a good word in front of Fang Fang.

Gao Yan was not averse to working out the details with a clear-minded junior like Xu Shengnan.

“You are indeed gracious.” Zou Wenxuan gritted her teeth. She kept a tight watch on the two of them, but in the end, she lost to Qiao Nan.

The Prince Charming that she had been longing for was to be introduced to another girl. It was simply allowing benefits created by one’s own work to accrue to others. What was on Qiao Nan’s mind?

Qiao Nan pulled the corners of her mouth innocently. “Senior Zou, I am not being gracious. In fact, I am very narrow-minded. You kept singing praises of Senior Gao and I totally agree with you. Such a good man has to be introduced to someone close.”

Gao Yan was Fang Fang's childhood sweetheart. She had no idea of the personality of the man who was pursuing Fang Fang.

The only thing she knew was that Fang Fang seemed to be averse to Gao Yan and would try her best to avoid anything that had to do with him.

She would not believe that Fang Fang had no feelings for Gao Yan.

"Hmph." Zou Wenxuan was jealous. She had thought that since she was in her third year, she would try to be close to Senior Gao, and she might be able to work with him after she graduated. Perhaps she would be able to enjoy the benefits of a favorable position.

It seemed that this was no longer possible.

Zou Wenxuan was unhappy that she had one less option. "I heard from Tang Jiayun that you are engaged. Is that man better than Senior Gao?"

Qiao Nan did not act like a besotted fool in front of Gao Yan. Instead of being demure, she was crafty and did not maintain her dignity. Zou Wenxuan could not understand what was going on in Qiao Nan's mind.

Zou Wenxuan knew very well that Gao Yan was a good catch.

Gao Yan had all the positive traits. How could Qiao Nan's fiancé be compared to him?

Would Qiao Nan not feel that it was a pity to matchmake such a good man to her high school classmate?

"Of course. He is much better than Senior Gao." Qiao Nan was very proud of Zhai Sheng. "They could not be compared to each other!" Zhai Sheng would be the future chief. He was an influential person. It was beyond the reach of any ordinary person.

Prince Charming?

When compared to Brother Zhai, Gao Yan was far from the Prince Charming. He was merely an outstanding man.

“Beauty is in the eye of the beholder. What a fool.” Zou Wenxuan disregarded Qiao Nan’s words. She did not believe anything that she said. “Hopefully, your fiancé will turn out to be as good as you described him to be.”

Gao Yan could not even match up to Zhai Sheng. Qiao Nan was not afraid of people not believing her words.

Qiao Nan shrugged her shoulders at the look of disbelief on Zou Wenxuan’s face. She did not care if she believed her or not. “Senior Zou, I have something on, so I will make a move first.” Qiao Nan had yet to make a move when her cell phone rang.