

## The Queen 386

Chapter 386: She Is Just So-So

“I need to rest. Can we talk about it later?”

Su Cha glanced at Wen Pengcheng. Wen Pengcheng tactfully excused himself. “Okay, I’ll leave first.”

He’d been standing at the door as he spoke, not even giving Su Cha the chance to ask him to enter.

This scene was seen by the other contestants. Although they did not know what they were talking about, they could roughly guess it when they saw Wen Pengcheng’s fawning look.

They were also a little dumbfounded. Everyone had been under the impression that Su Cha was from an ordinary family.

She was from Jiang’an Province. Her results were outstanding and she was the champion of the college entrance examination.

Other than that, they could not tell how rich Su Cha was from the way she usually dressed.

This had also made her temperament hard to understand. She did not seem to come from an ordinary family.

It was not until the unfamiliar noble girl appeared that they were shocked to find out that Su Cha was not ordinary.

But then again, how was Su Cha still fine after what happened with An Qiao?

It was not that no one wanted to expose this matter. It was just that after some thought, they simply did not dare to cause trouble.

Yet even after the public found out about An Qiao’s incident and the police came to investigate, they never found out about what Su Cha did. This was hard to understand.

For them to have gotten to where they were today, none of them were stupid. They knew that there were many secret dealings involved and did not want to cause trouble.

But now, they could not help but be curious about Su Cha's identity.

Her conversation with Wen Pengcheng did not affect anything. Su Cha did not need to rely on them to get in through the back door. Her strength was enough for her to reach the end.

However, as the show became more and more popular, there would be more and more news released about the contestants. Many contestants were already famous online. After the show was broadcasted, the discussions about them never stopped. There were all kinds of malicious people mixed in, and Su Cha had experienced that a few times, but in the end, she still became increasingly popular.

They thought that perhaps it was the live audience who'd revealed the results, saying that Su Cha had once again become number one in the competition. A famous forum even posted about Su Cha.

[Isn't Su Cha's path in Dreams in Progress too smooth-sailing?]

Winds and rains were different (OP): "In this year's competition, there were netizens who'd released the results of the latest episode of the competition. She entered the top 20 and then the top 15. Once again, she passed directly after winning first place. The OP has followed her progress from the national competition until now, and every step of the way, she was directly promoted after winning first place. Isn't this cheating too obvious? I find it strange that no one ever tried to take advantage of her. Besides, everyone keeps saying that she's pretty. I don't get her beauty. I don't think she's outstanding. She's just so-so."

2L: "Ah... Is our message board already so awesome? Does everyone here look like fairies?"

3L: "A super genius. She has a strong aura and is good at singing. She is at least a beauty. Do you have any objections to her being number one?"

4L: "I don't get her beauty as well. Her voice isn't that bad, but I doubt she can reach the standards of constantly being promoted."

5L: “My friends, she’s not the number one in this world in every aspect. As 3L said, she shines too much. Compared to this season’s contestants, she’s an existence that can suppress others, right? That’s what happens when someone’s aura is really strong. That Top 50 group photo is simply...”

6L: “There are quite a lot of strong contestants in this season, but aren’t they planning to push for a group this year? Su Cha really doesn’t suit being the center stage of a group in a debut... Her popularity is already so established.”

Chapter 387: I Want to Fight Back for You!

Perhaps because posts about Su Cha were rare, this one was quickly pushed to the top.

As in the posts about most other contestants, those who liked Su Cha expressed their extreme fondness for her. Those who disliked her would naturally hate on her to death.

Su Cha was pretty?

Bullshit, I’m just as good as her, and I’m just a passerby.

Su Cha was the provincial champion?

Oh, my sister and my friends have all been provincial champions.

Su Cha sang well?

Could she have gotten to where she is now if she couldn’t sing?

They could refute each of these points one by one, but eventually, people would come to think that it would be unreasonable if Su Cha did not pass...

However, those who did not like her could not see those points no matter how the others explained it.

Towards the end of the post, this kind of thread had become more exciting as passersby argued with anti-fans. Of course, there were not only anti-fans among them. Other passersby might also rebut because they did not like Su Cha.

Especially when it came to looks.

There was no lack of good-looking people in this world. Once a good-looking celebrity debuted, others would publicly acknowledge her beauty. If they thought she didn't look good, some people would insist on arguing about it with others.

They'd say things like she needed to look at herself in the mirror.

There were several publicly acknowledged celebrities in the entertainment industry who were criticized for their facial features.

It was understandable that not everyone had the same standards for beauty. Everyone had their own merits.

Su Cha could respect and understand that. What she could not understand was the unwarranted hatred. They could have simply stopped at thinking those celebrities were not attractive to them, so why did they have to say that he or she was ugly?

This particular audience could not seem to decide whether Su Cha was ugly or not.

The thread was not discovered by Su Cha, but by Le Anqi.

Having been eliminated, she had a lot of free time whenever she was preparing to go to school. She would spend a lot of time scrolling through these online discussions, especially when she saw Su Cha and herself being talked about. She sent this one to Su Cha.

Le Anqi berated everyone who'd said Su Cha was ugly.

Le Anqi: "I'm really too angry, Su Cha. Someone said that you don't look good. Are they really blind or do they think that you are a fairy from heaven?"

Su Cha could not help but laugh when she saw Le Anqi's words. She quickly replied, "It's nothing serious. This kind of thing will only happen more often in the future. There are hundreds of millions

of people in China. It's not a problem if hundreds of thousands of people think that I don't look good."

Le Anqi: "But don't go putting yourself down for their sake!"

Le Anqi: "I can understand things like this in the beginning, but I can't stand it anymore. Those anti-fans are acting like you killed their whole family. I don't understand why they are so agitated when you didn't do anything. No, I want to help you fight back!"

Le Anqi: "Don't worry, though, I will not expose myself."

Su Cha: "..."

Le Anqi had a fiery personality. Before Su Cha could stop her, she had rolled up her sleeves and started arguing.

Every time Su Cha saw Le Anqi like this, she could not help but think of the time when she first spoke to her. Le Anqi was clearly an exquisite online celebrity who looked down on her. She usually did not have a good temper or a bad temper. Why did she become so cute now?

The corner of Su Cha's lips curled up. Actually, it was quite intriguing.

Being able to become good friends with each other was not a bad thing. In the future, Su Cha and Le Anqi would smile at each other when she talked about it.

Some people disliked her, while others liked her. This was simply how the world is.

### Chapter 388: Preparations

During Su Cha's participation in the competition, she had had no time to pay attention to her embroidery.

Now that Jin Mou was not in the room, the only advantage was that she could turn off the camera at night and practice martial arts.

As for embroidery, there was nothing she could do, so Su Cha had not updated her embroidery for a long time.

Xiao Chiao had asked Su Cha several times on WeChat when she would release her new work. Su Cha said that she would have no time during these two months, so she decided to stop.

Meanwhile, the teacher that Huo Zhongwei had mentioned last time, the one she said would add her on WeChat, did not respond.

Su Cha originally did not remember this matter, but she suddenly thought of it after browsing through the WeChat list.

If the other party did not take the initiative to add her, she also would not add them. These things were things that would happen naturally to her. She had no way of knowing what others were thinking.

However, while she had time, Su Cha had been following Dai Xiaofu's instructions. When she was exposed to the camera, apart from practicing her songs, she would also watch Ultraman. Then at night, she started to spare some time to draw the pattern.

These patterns would be used in embroidery in the future. Since they could not yet be embroidered, she could at least prepare them in advance.

There were some ancient patterns that were similar to the Tang embroidery technique. However, the ones from the other dynasty were different from the ones in this world's past. Su Cha could only draw some of her favorite patterns based on her memory.

Most of the patterns were exquisite and complicated. It would take Su Cha a few months to embroider them on her clothes.

It was too complicated for her to do it while she was still participating in the competition.

However, since she had decided to start with embroidery, she had to return and do the difficult parts.

She had thought about giving Bo Muyi a gift.

This gift was to be embroidered.

She planned to buy silk to make a piece of clothing for Bo Muyi, but Su Cha had seen the price of the fabric online. Her money right now was not enough.

She planned to give the best to Bo Muyi, so she would not buy ordinary fabrics.

Unfortunately, she still did not know when Bo Muyi's birthday was.

Su Cha pinched her chin and thought for a while. She had to find time to ask Bai Kun.

After the competition for the Top 15 officially ended, Su Cha found the time and went back to the Lookout Pavilion.

It was time for her audition.

She was going to audition for a role in "The Legend of the Crane."

Just a day ago, Su Cha had received a script transferred by Dai Xiaofu.

There was really only a part of the script. The role was just an ordinary little girl. She entered the palace to search for her savior and became an ordinary servant of the Shang Palace Bureau. In the end, she was poisoned to death to repay her savior's kindness.

According to the plot, it was highly likely that the person who saved her life was the male lead. Otherwise, the significance of this servant girl would be small.

Su Cha: "..."

In her other life, she was the empress dowager's direct manager.

She did not expect that she would start from being a servant of the Shang Palace Bureau.

It was a big challenge.

Su Cha raised her eyebrows. She spent a lot of time reading the plot and carefully studied the characters in the drama.

After giving it a try, she realized that it should not be difficult for her to act. However, she might not be able to become one with her character.

After all, she was not as weak as a servant girl should be. She did not understand why the servant girl had to be killed for the sake of the male lead.

Su Cha was not sure about the audition tomorrow.

Chapter 389: Let Nature Take Its Course

Su Cha was not quite adept at acting. She had never performed professionally before. Although she'd signed up for the Imperial Capital University's performance department, school had not officially started yet.

Everything would depend on her own efforts.

Although it was a small opportunity, Su Cha always knew that she needed to grasp such things, even if it looked small.

Regardless of how useful this opportunity was, Su Cha had to do her best to showcase what she could do.

That night, the old lady invited Su Cha over for a meal, which was a rare occurrence.

Of course, Su Cha went.

When she arrived, the old lady instructed the kitchen to prepare everything.



Although she lived with Bo Muyi, their kitchens were different. After all, they had different tastes and had hired different chefs.

“How’s the competition lately?”

The old lady cut the steak elegantly with a knife and a fork. It was rare for her to ask Su Cha about the competition.

Su Cha replied with a faint smile, “It’s going well.”

The old lady nodded and casually mentioned, “You know about the Zuo family, right?”

Su Cha paused. “Grandma knows?”

The old lady said directly, “When I first met you, I only thought that you looked like you’re from the Zuo family. I just wasn’t sure.”

Because they looked so alike, Su Cha and Mrs. Zuo’s relationship was easily exposed.

Su Cha understood and did not say anything.

“So what do you think?”

The old lady’s casual tone seemed to be probing. Su Cha understood immediately and answered, “Grandma, you are overthinking. Even if it’s true, it doesn’t matter.”

“I’m not worried.”

After two bites, the old lady felt full. She took a tissue and wiped the corner of her lips elegantly. “I can tell from Muyi’s attitude. He probably doesn’t want you to return to the Zuo family, but returning to the Zuo family would benefit you.”

It seemed that she was trying to tell Su Cha something. “The Zuo family’s identity and status will be a great boost to you. It’s better than nothing.”

It was obvious.

Su Cha did not think too much about it. The old lady's meaning was clear. With the backing of the Zuo family, Su Cha would only have benefits and no disadvantages.

It's not that the old lady was looking down on Su Cha. She simply thought that Su Cha did not need to reject such favorable conditions.

Su Cha soon understood what the old lady meant.

She was deep in thought. In fact, she had already considered things in the beginning. She was not denying this relationship. She just did not want to return to the Zuo family.

She was not denying the fact that their connection existed, but that did not mean that she had to return to the Zuo family.

The old lady only wanted her to grasp the benefits that she should have.

She was the Zuo family's daughter and had the right to return to the Zuo family.

Thinking of this, Su Cha smiled and said, "Grandma, it's hard to say. Let nature take its course."

"You can return to the Zuo family, but you can still live here."

The old lady's intentions were right, but Su Cha shook her head. "I don't want to expose my relationship with Muyi for now."

The old lady paused. "Why?"

Su Cha curled her lips into a cold smile. "Because of some things."

She did not explain it clearly. The old lady was not a talkative person, so she did not ask Su Cha about it.

After a friendly meal, Su Cha returned to the bedroom.

She remembered what the old lady said in her heart and stuck by what she thought. It was better to let nature take its course.

Chapter 390: Are You Joking?

The next day, Su Cha went to the production set for the audition.

Actually, according to the information revealed, most of the actors in “The Legend of the Crane” had been confirmed. They were basically all big names.

There were a few of them, and they were all veteran actors.

Both the male and the female leads were the current best actors and actresses. This drama’s lineup was unprecedentedly strong.

It was amazing that even for an ordinary character, they had to spend so much effort.

If the news were to spread, it would definitely shock the entertainment industry.

The one in charge of the audition for the role she was auditioning for was the assistant director that Dai Xiaofu knew. He only had the right to choose for these side characters. The main roles were all selected by the director and the producer.

The audition venue was in a studio rented by the production crew.

When Su Cha arrived at the venue, she saw a scene that was quite similar to when she participated in the auditions for Dreams in Progress

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People were everywhere.

Even if these people were not famous, Su Cha could still recognize a few familiar faces among them. After all, they were characters who had played a role in television dramas or movies.

She raised her eyebrows in surprise. Wasn't it just an audition for an ordinary character?

Dai Xiaofu called at this time, her voice sounding a little surprised. "Su Cha, let me tell you, did you see a lot of people at the scene? This was originally just an audition handled by the assistant director, but I just found out that the director, Han Yongbing, has not had time recently. He has set the auditions for all the remaining roles in this drama to today, so the director will personally watch your audition too. Don't be nervous, perform well. It'll be a success for you just to become familiar to him."

"Ah... Oh."

Su Cha was no longer surprised by the news. Seeing this scene, she knew that something had changed.

It did not matter to Su Cha whether it was an audition in front of the assistant director or the director.

No matter how famous the other party was, she was just a person.

She was used to seeing big scenes. She could not let such a small scene bother her.

However, many people were stunned when they saw Su Cha.

Although these people were mostly in the circle or about to enter the circle, many people still recognized her.

Even though they were not from the same industry, many people knew that this was a famous contestant who was participating in Dreams in Progress.

They were already on the Top 20 in the country, and the contestants were very popular with this production team. Why did Su Cha come here today?

But what else could her reason be other than to audition?

Many people subconsciously felt a sense of crisis when they saw Su Cha. Su Cha was young and pretty, which were simply the biggest asset. Besides, she was also popular. Although she was in the singing industry, she somehow came here for an audition.

What if the person inside knew her?

For a moment, many people became sick of Su Cha.

On the other hand, some people were impressed by Su Cha's temperament and appearance.

This girl's qualities were genuine. Entering the entertainment industry was definitely not a waste. It was hard to imagine that she could also sing.

In terms of fame, Su Cha's current fame was higher than most auditionees.

“What kind of acting skills does a singer have? So she's a double threat now? Is she joking?”

Some people did not believe that Su Cha could act and thought that she came through the back door. Soon, discussions broke out.