

## Work Hard 841

### Chapter 841: My Daughter Is Not A Thief

Each artist's fate had a lot to do with their management agency..

Although Li Can wasn't a part of a big agency, they at least helped her out when she was involved in sticky situations. What about Xing Lan?

Rumor had it that Xing Lan was signed to an agency called Superstar Media. But, no one inside or outside of the industry had ever heard of that name before. All they knew was that another artist was also signed to the same agency. This artist was the secondary lead of the recently popular drama 'The Devil's Out', Luo Sheng.

"Xing Lan can't seem to compare. The other agency is crushing her."

"It's not easy for a new little studio to make a breakthrough. It's practically impossible for Li Xin to turn the tables."

No one had much hope for Superstar Media. Ever since Xing Lan's scandal broke out, Lin Qian had simply said a few words and no one heard from the agency again.

However, no one knew that the agency had already done all they could behind-the-scenes.

While Li Can was about to strike back, there was no movement on Xing Lan's side. But, this was because they didn't need to do anything else. All Long Jie had to do was accompany the two elders for a walk around town the day before the interview, so they could pick a good house in Beijing.

"Don't worry, all the insults that Li Can threw at you today, will go down with her into the grave she dug for herself," Lin Qian comforted. "You will definitely be proven innocent."

Xing Lan nodded. However, as the protagonist of the incident, she was bound to be more nervous than everyone else.

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"Recently, the singing competition contestant, Xing Lan, and her sister, the songstress Li Can, have been causing a stir by accusing each other of theft. Today, Li Can will be proving her innocence by presenting her evidence at a famous five star Hotel. If you want to know the truth, then stay tuned as our reporters record what Li Can has to say..."

2pm. Li Can made a dazzling appearance in front of everyone. Accompanying her was her manager, her assistant and her parents.

The media were surprised. Did this mean that the parents were planning to side with the younger daughter?

If even the parents stepped out to testify against their older daughter, then it was pretty much certain that Xing Lan was the one that lied, right?

This was the media's assumption. In fact, they were quite excited by it.

To them, it seemed like the outcome was already determined before the battle even started.

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As per Li Can's request, the interview was to be a broadcasted live. She wanted to use the most direct method to tell Xing Lan that she had no chance of winning.

Soon, all the reporters' microphones were directed towards Li Can. As she looked at them, she began to get choked up.

"I've had a hard time eating and sleeping these past two days."

"At first, it was because I was worried about my sister. But later, it was due to anger. Hence, I was left with no choice but to sit here and reveal the truth to everyone."

"Ever since we were small, my sister and I have had two very different personalities. She is bold, reckless and doesn't listen to others."

"Perhaps it's because she thought our parents liked me more, so she became extremely competitive and her personality began to deviate from mine. I feel regretful that I couldn't be a good sister and prevent my sister from walking down a path of no return."

"In regards to the recent incident, I never imagined that she'd treat me this way. It really makes my heart hurt and cold. After her stealing incident three years ago, I've been supporting the family on my own and it was really tough on me, yet she threw the blame my way. Li Xin, don't you feel guilty at all?"

"Sis, I don't have anything else to ask of you. I simply hope that you can stop making the same mistake over and over again."

"You were the one that stole...so stop accusing me. All the contestants from the competition three years ago can be my witness. Stolen items were retrieved from your bag and I have a video of the incident here."

After speaking, Li Can pulled out her phone and began playing a video.

"I was present at the time. I can be a witness. Li Xin stole and the stolen item was found in her bag."

"Li Xin definitely took it because Li Can was by my side the entire time and had no chance to pretend to be her sister..."

"Before Li Xin stole the necklace, she had mentioned multiple times that she really liked it."

"I can guarantee that I was there at the time and Li Xin took it. She was also the only one that was late by 5 minutes when everyone gathered together."

Everyone accused Li Xin of stealing the necklace and agreed that she was a ruthless thief.

However, this was because Li Can had deliberately stirred these people up when she first asked for their help by saying that Xing Lan had badmouthed them.

Needless to say, Li Can was well-skilled at manipulation. Unfortunately, these cheap methods were nothing against Tangning.

“If these people’s words are not credible enough for you, I’m sure you will be convinced by the following two people. I am speaking about my parents. My parents would never lie to anyone. After all, Li Xin is their daughter regardless of what she’s done.”

“I’m thankful to my parents for being so understanding and stepping out to help me prove my innocence and get some justice.”

After speaking, Li Can asked her manager to bring her parents out.

“Auntie and uncle, do you remember what to say?” the manager checked.

Father Li’s face was cold without much of an expression. But, of course, he had always been like that. So he didn’t attract much suspicion from Li Can.

“Yes, we’ve memorized our lines,” Mother Li quickly replied.

“Good, please sit down.”

The two elders sat down beside Li Can and the cameras immediately turned their way.

“Mom and dad, I’m sorry for not handling the situation well and embarrassing you. I hope you can reveal the truth to everyone and prove my innocence.”

“Old Man, you can go first,” Mother Li nudged Father Li on the arm and gestured for him to lean into the microphone.

Father Li glanced at Li Can before he said loudly into the microphone, “My daughter is not a thief!”

Li Can immediately revealed a smile because she thought Father Li was speaking up for her.

However...

“Neither of my daughters are thieves!”

After hearing this, everyone including Li Can, were stunned.

“This has always been a conspiracy. Neither of my daughters had any reason to steal. My younger daughter simply framed her older sister because she wanted to win the competition.”

“Dad, what are you saying?” Li Can jumped up from her seat in surprise.

In an instant, the reporters went crazy as they grabbed their microphones and surrounded Father Li.

“Please clarify what you mean...”

## **Chapter 842: The Best Show Of The Year**

“Three years ago, both my daughter’s competed in a singing competition where my Xin Er displayed her singing talent. At that time, she was just one step away from winning the competition when Li Can stole

a necklace and placed it in her bag. As a result Li Can took the victory which originally belonged to her sister..."

"We are an old couple, so we thought all along that Xin Er was the thief who embarrassed us. As a result, we disregarded her for quite some time. But, we recently discovered, to control her sister, Li Can had actually restricted Li Xin's freedom and threatened her not to partake in any programmes ever again or she'd expose her secret as a thief to the public."

"She took away her sister's victory without feeling any guilt and told us to put on an act in hopes that we'd stand on her side."

"But, Xin Er is also my daughter and we discovered that she had suffered many years of being wrongfully accused. So, how could we sit idly by?"

"Li Can, you are the truly shameless person!"

As soon as Father Li spoke, Li Can cried, "That's not how it is, dad. That's not how it is..."

"After you became famous, you kept lying that you had no future with your current agency and that they owed you royalties. With this lie, you swindled us out of our savings and got us to buy you a house. And only now do we know that you already have multiple properties under your name..."

"You went as far as to swindle your parents' money. Aren't you afraid of being struck by lightning?"

Li Can's face turned pale.

"If you guys don't believe what I'm saying, you can always investigate it. The reason why Xin Er changed her appearance was because she wanted to avoid her sister's scheming. She is the most innocent person in this entire incident... Unfortunately, Li Can never considered that Xiner was naturally talented at singing and that she was already on the brink of winning the competition three years ago when the incident happened. Why would she steal someone's necklace? Isn't the award money enough for her to buy ten necklaces?"

"Li Can, inviting us here and getting your profit-focused manager to teach us PR is your biggest mistake."

"Your act ends here. Stop going around swindling people."

After speaking, Father Li handed the microphone to his wife and took a step back.

At this moment, Li Can's manager huddled up close and asked, "Is that really what Li Can said? Did she really say that her agency presented her with no future?"

Father Li nodded.

All of a sudden, the manager gave a cold smile, rushed over to the cameras and said to everyone, "Li Can, you're finished."

Li Can was indeed finished. In an instant, she went from heaven down to hell.

Li Can would have never imagined that the person she trusted the most would say something so lethal at a time like this.

“Who would have thought, Li Can used every trick in the book, yet she was betrayed by her own father in the end...”

“This is the best show of the year. Li Xin ended up winning the battle without doing anything.”

“Li Xin is actually innocent; I was right! From now on, even if Li Can walks around with her head held high, we all know what’s fake is fake. No evidence can compare to the words of her own father.”

Li Can stumbled a few steps backwards, unable to accept what had happened. Meanwhile, Mother Li held onto the microphone. She originally wanted to say something, but in the end, she gently put it down.

Because Li Can was already pushing herself beyond redemption.

“Mom...mom. Say a few words for me.”

Li Can clung to her last thread of hope, thinking that she still had a chance. But, after resisting for a short moment, Mother Li finally said, “Give us back our house. You don’t need it.”

This was perhaps the most ruthless response she could have given. It sounded like she was completely disowning her daughter...

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“As everyone saw, the situation has made a 360 degree turn. Li Can was torn to shreds by her own parents and it doesn’t appear likely that she’ll continue to survive in the industry. The worst thing was, Li Can’s mother directly asked her to return her house. Of course, this is all karma...”

“After the interview, Li Can’s management agency has also announced that they will no longer take responsibility for Li Can. So, it appears, Li Can’s path as a songstress has come to an end...”

“Thank you for tuning into today’s entertainment news...”

As a result, Xing Lan won!

Tangning had done what she promised.

“Li Can has been abandoned by her friends and family; everyone has deserted her. I guess this is revenge for you,” Lin Qian said as she patted Xing Lan on the shoulder. “From now on, you will no longer be labelled a thief...”

Xing Lan broke down in tears in Lin Qian’s arms. All the suffering she had suffered over the years had finally come to an end.

“Great. You can now compete in the competition openly.”

Indeed. Now that the truth had been revealed, Xing Lan no longer carried a history of stealing. So now, she was going to become the most talented contestant in this year’s competition.

As Tangning expected, those that scolded and insulted Xing Lan, now empathized with her and felt guilty.

This benefited Xing Lan's popularity and helped her attract a lot of attention. Even if she wanted to hide now, it would be quite difficult.

"I thought a small agency would have no choice but to be suppressed by others."

"This is karma. Lucky that Xing Lan's parents discovered the truth early."

"You guys are much too naive. If no one manipulated the incident behind-the-scenes, did you think the parents would have seen the truth themselves? Didn't you hear what Father Li said? He only discovered there was something wrong recently. The fact that Li Can managed to swindle them of their house, is proof that she has her methods. Which means, someone definitely led the parents to think differently."

There weren't that many morons in the world nor were there a lack of understanding people.

But, this didn't change the fact that Li Can would experience being abandoned by the entire nation. After all, everyone had given up on her.

After the interview, Li Can became hated like a street rat. It was impossible for her to survive in the industry.

Out of helplessness, she had no choice but to contact her parents, "Dad, I know I was wrong. Can you not take back the house? I have nowhere to live..."

"Didn't you say it was still under renovations?" Father Li asked.

"I..."

"How could a person that's full of lies have the audacity to call me? Let me tell you, I'm already inside the villa. Your manager gave me the keys. I've already thrown your things out."

After speaking, Father Li hung up the phone.

Li Can hid inside a small street stall as she slowly accepted reality.

She was about to lose everything!

Meanwhile, the news of Xing Lan being wrongfully stripped of her victory, quickly attracted a huge amount of attention. At this time, many music companies wanted to directly sign with her. Even if she didn't win first place in the Journey Singing Competition, they could still package her into a songstress...

In other words, even if she didn't win the competition, she would still be treated like a winner!

This result was perhaps beyond what Tangning expected.

But, of course, the most surprising thing was yet to come!

### **Chapter 843: Not Tangning's Style**

"With the amount of attention that is currently on Xing Lan, Hai Rui can easily sign her on based on preference," Fang Yu said to Mo Ting in private. "That way, the higher-ups will stop pressuring Tangning."

“It’s not the right time,” Mo Ting replied. Although a lot of attention was currently placed on Xing Lan, she still had the potential to advance further. Plus, Xing Lan was a good starting point for Superstar Media. Since the public weren’t aware of Superstar Media yet, it wasn’t right to transfer Xing Lan to Hai Rui so soon.

Hearing Mo Ting’s response, Fang Yu laughed, “Tangning’s quite ambitious. But, there are so many talented people in the industry that have been neglected. Can she possibly save them all? Why is she so determined to make the entertainment industry fair when it has always been dependent on luck?”

Mo Ting lifted his head and glared at Fang Yu, “It’s none of your business...”

Fang Yu shrugged his shoulders unamused.

The public were fighting for Xing Lan and plenty of famous agencies were throwing her offers with great conditions. If Xing Lan couldn’t resist temptation and ran off with another agency, wouldn’t Tangning be left with nothing?

Fang Yu’s worries weren’t unreasonable. After all, some people even contacted the Li Parents in private...

...and Xing Lan was a passive person...

After returning home, Mo Ting told his wife about Fang Yu’s worries, “Fang Yu’s worries make sense. You need to be careful when handling this matter.”

Tangning laughed and placed her son into Mo Ting’s arms before she said with raised eyebrows, “Both Xing Lan and Luo Sheng know that they will become nothing if they leave Superstar Media because no one in this world is willing to help those that have failed, except for me.”

“You’re that confident?” Mo Ting looked into Tangning’s eyes as he lifted her chin.

The meaningful look in his eyes was filled with love and yearning.

“My confidence comes from the fact that I have an invincible husband,” Tangning replied proudly. “You are the King of Entertainment, so I must become the undisputed Queen. That way, we can protect the kingdom that we have both strived to maintain.”

“What about these two rascals?” Mo Ting asked as he looked down at the little brat in his arms that was currently nibbling on his shirt.

“Their our sons. So, obviously, they can do whatever they want...”

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Meanwhile, Xing Lan skyrocketed in fame because of the incident.

This was a result that was completely beyond what Xing Lan expected. However, it was all thanks to Tangning’s careful planning behind-the-scenes, otherwise, Xing Lan would still be a music teacher that was being blackmailed.

Xing Lan was aware that many agencies had come looking for her, both openly and secretly, to sign contracts because Lin Qian did not keep them a secret and placed every single contract in front of her.

“You currently have a good thing going. If you want to sign with another agency, you are welcome to look at these contracts.”

But, Xing Lan did not look at a single one of them and directly brushed them aside, “Ning Jie gave me a second chance at life, so it’s only right for me to stick with her.”

“You need to think it over. According to Ning Jie’s instructions, she wants you to continue with the competition and take the winner’s throne. That’s the best way to prove yourself.”

“I’ve thought it over too. I don’t want to take any shortcuts and miss such a good opportunity to show what I’ve got,” Xing Lan replied confidently.

“Good. Then from now on, you should focus on the next round of the competition,” Lin Qian nodded.

“I will try my best.”

Afterwards, Xing Lan returned to the competition. But, due to her accumulated popularity, there were reporters everywhere she went.

When the other contestants saw this, they did not look pleased. After all, she had caused such a huge stir, so her popularity was bound to be higher than everyone else. Wasn’t this unfair to the other contestants?

In response, some of the contestants even teamed up to complain to the organizers.

But, Xing Lan did not break any rules, so it was unreasonable for the organizers to request for her withdrawal from the competition.

“She already has the opportunity to sign with a good agency. Why is she still competing with us?”

“I know, right? Is she trying to show that she’s hardworking?”

“Does she really think she can win first place?”

“I’ve never seen someone as selfish as her...”

Xing Lan couldn’t understand why everyone looked at her weirdly. All she knew was, she suddenly felt that they had intentions towards her because their gazes were filled with ridicule and judgment, which made her very uncomfortable.

“Xing Lan, we heard that you didn’t accept the offers from some well-known agencies. Why? Are they not good enough for you?” One of the contestants asked Xing Lan during a meeting with the producers.

“Everyone thinks you already have the ability to debut. So, why are you still struggling here with everyone else?”

“My agency is Superstar Media. I have no intention to change.”

“But no one’s heard of them.”

Xing Lan smiled without giving an explanation.

As a result, the conversation soon turned into one about Xing Lan disregarding invites from agencies and how she assumed she’d rank highly in the competition.



“This Xing Lan is quite arrogant!”

“I don’t know what she’s so arrogant about. After this phase is over, she will simply be a normal contestant.”

Soon, news of Xing Lan acting arrogant before debuting began to circulate.

The media could not find a chance to interview Xing Lan about this, but they heard many rumors and thought they knew everything about her.

During this time, even though Xing Lan was still in the midst of rumors, the 100 to 64 elimination round quickly crept up on everyone.

Even so, Tangning did not ask Lin Qian to rectify the rumors. After all, a bigger piece of news was about to be released.

However, before this was to happen, Tangning asked Long Jie to arrange a meeting with Luo Sheng.

Caring for one person and losing sight of another was not Tangning’s style.

Even though, in reality, Luo Sheng did not feel it was unfair that Tangning placed more focus on Xing Lan. After all, he had discovered where he belonged.

But, he was still very excited when he saw Tangning.

“Ning Jie, I am who I am today because of you. Although I am just a secondary lead, I’ve already secured some big contracts myself. They will be announced to the public soon. I will fight hard for you!”

“I like this feeling of working earnestly and not depending on others. Plus, I’ve discovered that acting is quite addictive. Don’t worry, even if I don’t reach your level, I will still treat you as my goal and put in my best efforts.”

“Soon, everyone in the world will know of Superstar Media. They will know that we only accept the best and not just anyone.”

Tangning’s words ignited Luo Sheng’s motivation even further, because he knew that Tangning only accepted those that were talented but had no fate with fame.

Tangning gave second chances to those that thought their career was already over!

“I have faith that Superstar Media will go down in the history books just like Hai Rui.”

#### **Chapter 844: Did I See Tangning In The Audience ?**

“Of course.” These were Tangning’s last words after seeing Luo Sheng that night. Afterwards, she was forcefully dragged back to Hyatt Regency by Mo Ting.

Tomorrow was the day of Xing Lan’s competition. It was also the day that Tangning – the boss of Superstar Media – planned to make a high profile comeback.

Starting from the top 100, the rules of the competition changed, including the introduction of a uniform.

In this round, the contestants were split into groups of 5. From there, they would be ranked from highest to lowest and only the top 3 would advance directly to the next round. The remaining two contestants would either be eliminated or given further consideration.

The last four places was for the sake of any ties in ranking or if the judges came across someone that they thought were too good to be eliminated. In short, there would be two rounds of elimination.

The contestants this year were relatively balanced; nothing out of the ordinary happened, except for Xing Lan.

Therefore, everyone looked at Xing Lan with hostility. Especially those that were in the same group as her.

She obviously didn't need to be here...

"I don't know why you insist on participating in this competition, but if I was in your position, I would also want to win properly."

"Although all the agencies claim that you are talented and have the ability to become famous, you've never won a trophy. If one day, you become a thing of the past, this could be used as an excuse to get rid of you," a girl in the same group as Xing Lan said with a smile.

Xing Lan was a little surprised. She never expected someone to understand her.

Looking at the girl again, Xing Lan noticed that she had a small stature and a pure look in her eyes. From her experience as a teacher, Xing Lan could tell that this girl couldn't possibly be a bad person.

"Hello, I look forward to your performance," Xing Lan followed with a smile.

But, she was quickly ridiculed by others...

"I thought you were smart. Can't you tell that she is sucking up to you?"

"Then again, there's no reason for her to do that. After all, you simply belong to a small agency..."

"Exactly..."

Small agency?!

Xing Lan laughed to herself. If these people were to find out who the boss of this 'small agency' was, they would probably go crazy.

"I heard that there will be a special guest in the audience tonight."

"Do you know who it is?"

"I'm not sure. I simply overheard the director talking as I walked past his waiting room."

"Even it's a big shot, it has nothing to do with us."

After Xing Lan heard everyone talk, her expression remained unfazed and disinterested. After all, Tangning had not told anyone that she'd be attending tonight, so it was normal for them to think that a

big boss of a music agency was here to scout for some fresh faces. They had no idea that Tangning's appearance would cause a huge commotion.

Why?

Because everywhere she went turned into a miracle.

Meanwhile, tonight was the night that the battle truly began. Finally, everyone began to reveal their true strengths. It turned out that Xing Lan wasn't the only one that had been holding back on her true abilities. Fortunately, she had listened to Tangning and not exposed herself, otherwise, she would be buried beneath the surprises today.

Soon enough, the competition was about to start.

But, the industry was in for a huge surprise. Because, before the competition started, both the judges and guest hosts were spreading a message on their phones.

"Guess who I saw."

"Did I see Tangning in the audience?"

"Why is Tangning here?"

"Is there something wrong with my eyes?"

At this time, Long Jie was sitting in her office at Superstar Media. As she saw the chat channel for the competition fill with discussions about Tangning, she began to laugh.

"Sure enough, My Ning is still the same. Even though she hasn't appeared for so long, the commotion she creates cannot be underestimated."

"It's about time for us to perform." As soon as she was done talking, Long Jie pressed down firmly on the 'Enter' key on her keyboard and posted news about how Superstar Media was established.

"Oh God..."

"Did you guys see the news?"

"Oh my God!"

"Superstar Media was founded by Tangning!"

In an instant, news about the competition and about Tangning erupted onto the entertainment scene.

It turned out, Tangning had been living in seclusion not because she had retreated from the industry, but because she decided to set up her own agency. In fact, she now had two promising artists under her wing: Luo Sheng and Xing Lan.

Tangning had become a boss?

"No wonder Xing Lan's matter was handled so smoothly. It finally makes sense now that we've discovered Tangning is the boss of Superstar Media. She definitely has the ability to do that."

“Pfft, what would Tangning not do? She went from a model to an actress and an actress to a manager/boss. What exactly is she aiming for in life?”

“Has everyone forgotten that she is the cause of Xu Xin’s suicide?”

“Xu Xin’s suicide was her own choice. What does it have to do with Tangning? Why do you still not understand even after so long?”

There were both good and bad comments in the industry. But, whether they were for or against Tangning, one message was clear: Tangning’s Impressiveness could never be erased, it was simply hidden for a while.

Netizens erupted in a crazy discussion because they had never seen someone as tough as Tangning.

It was almost like she couldn’t be defeated.

“She can’t even protect herself, yet she’s trying to help others. I doubt she will get very far.”

“Don’t forget, both Luo Sheng and Xing Lan were previously trash that couldn’t be saved. Tangning was the one that helped them get to where they are today.”

“Apparently, Tangning is only helping those with talent that had been neglected in the past. If we look at Luo Sheng and Xing Lan, we can tell that this rumor is true; she only helps those that she sees potential in.”

“Why do I suddenly feel like going to her agency?”

As the competition commenced, the news of Tangning creating Superstar Media began to spread throughout Beijing. She wasn’t a model nor an actress anymore. She had reappeared because she had turned into a boss and it didn’t seem likely that another Xu Xin would appear to attack her again.

Because she was invincible.

With Tangning’s Support, Xing Lan easily advanced to the next round with her song ‘Fireworks’.

Everyone watched as Tangning raised a thumb at Xing Lan. At this moment, Tangning gave Xing Lan the biggest feeling of glory. She had never felt this confident on the stage before.

Afterwards, plenty of contestants expressed their admiration and some were jealous. Some even wanted to sign with Tangning.

But, Tangning was not interested in just anyone. When it came to Superstar Media, Tangning was fierce and powerful.

This time, she did not take the gentle route nor did she smile quietly at the public like she used to. Her comeback this time was filled with aggressiveness.

At least, when it came to protecting her artists, Tangning did not forgive the enemy like she did when she was the victim. If one looked at Li Can’s fate, they would be able to tell that Tangning pursued them until the end.

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However, there were still a lot of people in the industry that did not look highly upon her...

#### **Chapter 845: Don't Make Too Many Enemies**

But, it didn't matter.

Just because they didn't look highly upon her now, didn't mean they would always view her in the same way.

Either way, the biggest benefit of moving behind-the-scenes for Tangning was that she could now retaliate against people. She could take on whoever she wanted and didn't need to consider her identity as an actress like before. She could now relax and do whatever she wanted.

For example, after hearing that Tangning became a manager and was helping rejects, someone in the industry claimed that she was merely using these rejects to find herself. After all, she had also been rejected, so to some people, this was a symbol of her inferiority.

At the same time, they also claimed that she was now a nobody that lacked the classiness of someone from the entertainment industry.

If Tangning had seen a comment like this in the past, she would have responded by pretending not to see it.

But now that she was a manager, it was time for the verbal attacks to end.

In the end, Tangning replied, "If you are hungry for fame, then just say it. However, even if you come looking for me, I won't help you."

Seeing this, everyone was shocked!

The Tangning that never made enemies in front of everyone had retaliated. In fact, her attack was strong and direct with immediate results.

This was the reality of the industry. Famous people had the right to say whatever they wanted.

Even though Tangning had been in seclusion for so long, when she decided to appear again, she was still the same almighty Tangning. She did not step down from her podium just because she had disappeared for a little while.

Tangning's change made everyone quite surprised. She appeared to be heading in the same direction as her husband and was showing signs of maturity and ruthlessness.

"Why are you acting so arrogant? Don't you just have two artists? And aren't they just rookies? Wait until they show some results before you show off."

"This completely destroys the image I have of Tangning. She used to be so quiet."

"I don't think she's changed. I think she's always been a vengeful person. She's simply doing what is required of her as a manager. If she remained the way she used to be, her artists would end up being bullied."

“Tangning now feels quite intimidating...”

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As Fang Yu looked at the comments online about Tangning’s change, he couldn’t help but laugh as he held onto his tablet, “How has she changed? She’s always been like this. Otherwise, how could she have survived in the industry for so long.”

When Huo Jingjing saw Fang Yu say this about Tangning, she directly grabbed the tablet from his hands, “I don’t think this is a bad thing. These people should remember this from now on. Haven’t they already bullied Tangning enough in the past? It wasn’t easy for her to become a manager, so it’s about time she took revenge!”

“I never said it was a bad thing...” Fang Yu explained helplessly. “OK...give me back my tablet.”

“Go give Yue Er a bath. I’m going to sit here for a bit.”

After speaking, Huo Jingjing bit into her apple as she looked at the comments online.

“Does Tangning need your rubbish concern? Save it.”

Even though Tangning only had two artists in her hands, they were artists that had been rejected and neglected in the past but were now reborn in her hands. What did this mean? This meant that she had the ability to give people a second chance. This was the reason why she was brave enough to announce that she had created an agency in such a high profile way.

“Xing Lan’s not bad. At least her future seems quite stable. On the other hand, Luo Sheng’s only acted as a secondary lead from the moment that he debuted on the idol drama scene. It doesn’t look like he will make much of a breakthrough.”

“Young and fresh faces debut in the industry every day. After some time passes, who will still remember who he is?”

They were right, after Luo Sheng went through a period of fame after his first idol drama, Tangning did not do anything to maintain it.

But, this didn’t mean that Luo Sheng had no future.

Because, not long after Xing Lan advanced to the top 64, a big, costly ancient drama signed Luo Sheng as their male lead.

This was a role that many famous, young actors were vying for. But, they never expected that a secondary lead would jump out and take their role.

Luo Sheng had done the negotiations for this role on his own. With guidance from the director, he managed to come to an agreement with the investor of the drama.

“He must have exchanged something for this opportunity. Otherwise, why would such a great role end up in the hands of someone that’s always played a secondary character?”

“I must admit that he has a stunning appearance. But, he is just a newcomer. What right does he have to take this role? What tricks did Tangning play?”

“Hmmpf, I can’t accept it!”

Fans of a certain actor were disappointed that Luo Sheng took the role because they did not think he was worthy of it.

What right did he have to compete with someone that had debuted for a long time and was already popular?

But, whenever Tangning was involved...

...nothing followed convention.

So, on behalf of her agency, Tangning announced, “I’m sorry. Those that doubt my artist’s ability to secure this role should first check if the actor you support has passable acting. I am more than happy to train him...”

Everyone knew that Tangning was experienced enough to judge the acting ability of others. So, she had exactly pointed out the flaw of the competing actor. No matter how famous or good looking he was, he could not act and had nothing good to show. So, why wasn’t it possible for Luo Sheng to take the role?

After Tangning said these words, the fans had no choice but to shut up submissively.

Who told their idol to be a disappointment with bad acting?

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That night, Mo Ting returned home to find his wife bathing the kids. He immediately removed his jacket and knelt down beside Tangning to help her hold the rascals still.

“You look like you’re having fun,” Mo Ting was referring to Tangning’s attack on the fans.

“If I knew that being a manager was so satisfying, I would have been a manager from the start!” Tangning replied as she dressed her son. “Compared to acting and winning an award myself, I think this feels more successful.”

Tangning discovered she could use her own ability to change the industry. Even if it was just a small change, it was still worth it.

Mo Ting smiled and placed a kiss on his two sons. He then hooked his hand under Tangning’s chin and kissed her too, “Don’t make too many enemies...”

“So what if I do? Are you going to let me fend for myself?” Tangning asked.

Mo Ting chuckled as he patted Tangning on the head dotingly and stood up.

How could he possibly do that?

He was just saying it. In reality, he was waiting for those that sucked up to Tangning to be honestly willing to side with her. But, Tangning never needed him to worry about her.

**Chapter 846: Even If The Sky Falls Down, I’ll Hold It Up For You !**

After putting the two kids to sleep, Mo Ting carried Tangning in his arms over to the bed. He then lay down on top of her and pressed his nose against her nose...

“You seem to be having fun, but you’ve neglected your husband for quite some time...”

“Hey...” Tangning wanted to refute. This man was wrongfully accusing her. She practically wanted him every night. How was this considered as neglecting him?

But, before she could complain, Mo Ting silenced her with his kiss.

Afterwards, all that could be heard in the room was the sound of Tangning’s pajamas being torn apart...

For some reason, even though Mo Ting was 34, Tangning found she had become more obsessed with his body. She especially liked his neck. This was a habit that would likely never change...

“No matter what you do, I will support you. Even if the sky falls down, I will hold it up for you!”

These were the words that Mo Ting mumbled beside Tangning’s ear just before they slept.

Tangning gave a gentle grunt. It wasn’t clear whether she had heard Mo Ting, but she subconsciously wrapped her arms around his waist and quickly fell asleep.

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Xing Lan successfully advanced and Luo Sheng secured a huge job.

Tangning powerfully changed their fates and gave Superstar Media a good start.

Because of this, those that denied they needed help but couldn’t lie to themselves, ended up contacting Tangning through Long Jie. They wanted to join Superstar Media and get some training.

“Haha, these people finally know who to suck up to,” Long Jie completely ignored all the requests. “If these people don’t know how to make use of their opportunities, do they really think they’d gain a shortcut by joining Superstar Media? We have no time to deal with them.”

“Those that are famous will always want to be more famous,” Tangning replied.

“In that case, are you planning to attend the interview for the Celebrity Column?” Long Jie asked as she waved the invite in front of Tangning.

“Isn’t this the benefit of being a manager? I can reject whomever I want to,” Tangning said with a raised eyebrow. “Tell them that I’ve retreated behind-the-scenes and no longer want to appear onscreen.”

In reality, Tangning was busy scouting other artists!

She no longer had to worry about Luo Sheng and Xing Lan was already on the right path. So, she didn’t need to exhaust her energies on them anymore.

But, at this time, there was a small interlude.

Someone wanted to meet Tangning and they were extremely secretive about it, requesting specifically to meet at night.



After she stopped being an actress, Tangning had a lot more freedom. After all, she no longer acted, so she no longer had to be wary of the media.

So, later that day, Tangning and Long Jie arrived at the agreed meeting location. Of course, the person that wanted to meet Tangning was no newcomer. To be exact, she wasn't unknown in the industry. However, her fame was due to her bad reputation. In other words, she needed Tangning to help clean up her image.

"I think you've come looking for the wrong person..." Tangning responded.

"Why? You helped both Luo Sheng and Xing Lan clean their images, why can't you help me?" the woman appeared disappointed. "I have difficulty sleeping every night because of the rumors and gossip that are going around. It's been a long time since I've had a proper night's sleep."

"I didn't clean up anything, they were never wrong to begin with," Tangning said with raised eyebrows. Obviously, she was hinting that this woman was different to Xing Lan and Luo Sheng.

Tangning had already heard the rumors regarding this woman. She had done many stupid things in the past and, in the eyes of the public, she was full of acting and flaws. So, for many years, she had been ranked as the most hated artist.

"I didn't do anything wrong," the woman replied candidly.

Tangning looked into her eyes. They stared at each other for a good ten seconds. But, in these ten seconds, the woman did not avoid Tangning's gaze even once. What did this mean?

It meant that she wasn't lying.

"This must be a challenge for you as well, right? If you manage to clean up my image, then it would prove that you can make anyone famous."

"I need to analyze the situation first," Tangning replied honestly. "I don't believe you 100% yet. I need to do a thorough investigation. After I'm done, I'll contact you."

"My contract with my current agency is almost coming to an end. Although my fame was due to my bad reputation, I still made a lot of money for them. As you know, once someone loses value in the industry, their agency is bound to betray them, sooner or later."

Tangning looked deep into the woman's eyes, unsure why her gaze slightly upset her.

She seemed to remind her of herself...

Afterwards, Tangning and Long Jie left the hotel. However, on the way home, Tangning did not say a word.

Long Jie didn't know what Tangning was thinking, she simply spoke her mind, "We initially formed Superstar Media because we wanted to create a change in the entertainment industry and influence actors to place more focus on acting and singers to produce more professional singing."

"Although logic tells me not to get involved with this woman, my heart tells me to help her. Just like the way I helped you in the past."

“Both you and I know how tough this industry is. Some people are lucky, they come across decent agencies that know a few tricks to help them gain fame and appreciation. But, more often than not, people come across immoral ones that simply care about profits. I’m sure you know this better than I do since you already experienced it in the past.”

“I don’t want to interfere with your decision. After all, signing this artist is a huge risk and may even ruin our reputation forever.”

“So, it’s entirely up to you...”

Tangning lowered her head in deep thought. After quite some time, she finally replied, “Get me all the information you can find on this artist as soon as possible. If you discover anything wrong with her, I’ll immediately take her out of consideration.”

“Don’t worry, I will do all necessary checks.”

Making Xing Lan and Luo Sheng famous was easy. But... trying to clean the image of someone that was consistently being scolded...

...seemed a bit difficult. This was very different to simply saving her career.

It was like asking someone to suddenly like a person they had hated for a long time. In that case, perhaps amnesia would be the only way to turn the tables.

After returning home, Tangning recalled what happened to Mo Ting.

After hearing her recount, Mo Ting smiled handsomely, “Your expression tells me you are already paving her path in your mind...”

“Is it that obvious?” Tangning asked.

“It’s not that obvious. I just understand you. This is a big challenge and I know you like the excitement...” After speaking, Mo Ting pulled Tangning into his embrace. “Admit it, Mrs. Mo, you love the feeling of successfully convincing people.”

“But, if you really want to sign this artist, you can’t reveal it to the public. Otherwise, your intention will backfire.”

Deliberately trying to clean a person’s image was much too obvious.

“Understood, Mr. Mo,” Tangning said as she kissed Mo Ting on the lips.

#### **Chapter 847: Are You Angry Because You’re Embarrassed, Mrs Mo?**

“Xia Hanmo, a 21-year-old actress from A Thousand Pictures Media, who first made her debut in a television drama. She was famous for a short while because of the television drama, but afterwards, due to scandals about her having a sugar daddy, taking on fake godfathers and being a cheap flirt, her fame further increased. This happened over the course of four years. Because her PR team is a failure, slandering happens to her naturally. Even if she takes a sip of water, the media turns it into a complex scandal. This could be considered as a skill of hers.”

“Although she’s a little stupid, she’s kind-hearted. A lot of her scandals are due to baseless rumors and betrayal from her own agency. She’s honestly never done anything immoral.”

Long Jie reported her findings to Tangning, “She’s basically someone that doesn’t know how to survive in the industry.”

“She’s never thought about leaving?”

“Of course she has. But, how could someone with so many black marks against their name, hide from the media? She can’t even get through a few days of stability without being slandered. That’s why she has no choice but to remain in the industry,” Long Jie shrugged.

“People often get slandered because they are blocking another person’s way or someone is jealous of them. But, she gets slandered because she’s stupid. Her manager and the paparazzi have been working together to make money from her scandals. They are absolutely disgusting.”

Tangning received the information about Xia Hanmo from Long Jie and flipped through it casually, “She doesn’t need to clean up her image, she needs to change her brain.”

“But, her acting is not bad.”

There were plenty of people that suffered from unexpected hatred online. However, Xia Hanmo was at the pinnacle of it.

“What should we do?”

“First, let’s deal with her manager,” Tangning replied. “Normally, when an artist receives hate without doing anything wrong, it’s usually because their PR team has misunderstood them. Correcting this is the first step.”

“But, fans these days aren’t easy to manipulate. When you’re quiet, they complain that you are putting on an act. And when you respond, they say you act too much. They won’t allow anyone to complain nor refute and are difficult to please.”

But, because of this, it was more challenging, wasn’t it?

Tangning returned home with uncertainties in her mind. After seeing her sons jumping around in Mo Ting’s arms, she immediately walked over and sat down beside her husband, “What if Xia Hanmo drags Superstar Media down? What should I do?”

“What else can you do?” Mo Ting asked as he carried the kids and looked at the information in his hands, “Can’t you resolve it?”

“Pa...Pa...Pa!” seeing that her son was still calling Mo Ting, Tangning knocked the little rascal on the head and demanded, “Call Mama!”

“Are you angry because you’re embarrassed, Mrs. Mo?” Mo Ting put down the contract in his hands with a smile and turned to look at Tangning. “You’ve already saved Luo Sheng and Xing Lan, what’s one more? Plus, cleaning images is your specialty.”

Tangning’s eyes lit up with clarity and confidence. Mo Ting knew she’d find a resolution.

The industry was sometimes tricky, but Tangning knew how to use these tricks. This was beyond a doubt.

In the end, the people that she needed to go against were not specific people, but the internet.

The biggest black mark against Xia Hanmo was the idea that she was a flirt. In the eyes of her fans, she had no dignity, and this was largely because of her manager. So many photos had been released online by this point that it was practically impossible to clean her image.

After thinking over the situation clearly, Tangning gave Xia Hanmo a reply. She decided to sign a contract with her and made an appointment to see her in the office the next day.

Of course, Xia Hanmo's manager was still oblivious to what was happening. If she knew what she was up to, things would not be so quiet and calm.

The next morning.

Xia Hanmo appeared extra early at Superstar Media because she didn't want to be spotted by any reporters. Afterwards, Tangning took her to her office and the two women sat down face to face to negotiate their contract.

"Are you aware of what your manager has done to you?" Tangning asked straightforwardly.

"What did my manager do?" Obviously, Xia Hanmo had no idea.

Indeed...

Tangning wanted to swap out Xia Hanmo's brain.

"Your manager has been taking photos of you and selling them to the paparazzi for profits. This is why you've been constantly slandered," Tangning explained.

After hearing this, a bitter smile appeared on Xia Hanmo's face, "I was wondering why she was so willing to help me. It turns out...she was sucking my blood dry. Yet, I was being so nice to her..."

After hearing Xia Hanmo mumble these words, Tangning suddenly lightened her tone in order not to upset her, "Not everyone in the world knows how to appreciate your kindness."

Xia Hanmo nodded and took a deep breath, "What should I do now?"

"You should stay at home and enjoy being doted on like a princess rather than working hard for money."

"You already know my background, why must you trigger a painful past? My brother is in hospital and needs money..." That's why she persisted even though she was being slandered.

Xia Hanmo did not have a strong family background. She actually knew a long time ago that she wouldn't make it very far as a celebrity, but she persisted so her brother could get better hospital treatment.

"Get to the main point. I don't think it's necessary to waste time on pointless words."

Xia Hanmo was a loyal person. Her parents passed away at an early age and she had been living with her brother. Unfortunately, her brother got hooked on gambling and even used her as a guarantee for a

loan. Originally, Xia Hanmo thought she could brush her brother off after she became famous. But, her brother ended up jumping off a building after being pursued by debtors and Xia Hanmo couldn't abandon her only relative.

Her weakness was that she prioritized her relationships too much!

"Tangning, you need to help me..."

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Meanwhile, Xia Hanmo's manager came looking for her regarding business, to find that she wasn't home. As soon as she finally saw her return home on her own, she asked suspiciously, "Where did you go?"

"I went for a walk," Xia Hanmo replied casually.

"I know you were bothered by the recent photo of you accidentally exposing your underwear, but you've already pulled through so many years like this. You shouldn't care what the media says."

"I'm fine..."

"Good. Don't forget that you have an event tonight. I'll get going first," the manager said before she left.

However, halfway to the car, she received a phone call from a paparazzo, "I've sent you the money. The rules are the same as usual."

"Understood."

"I heard your contract with Xia Hanmo is expiring. How many more times can you betray her?"

"With the relationship that we have, it shouldn't be hard to get some nude shots of her. This can be my farewell gift. What do you think?"

The paparazzo laughed, "She's already been with you for four years, yet you are ruthless enough to do that to her. Women are sure evil."

"I'm helping you make money, how could you have so much to say?"

Meanwhile, Xia Hanmo followed Tangning's instructions and pretended to drop something on the floor at home. She then turned on the flashlight on her phone to search around. Her motive was to find a hidden camera.

It turned out, her manager was willing to do anything to monitor her...

#### **Chapter 848: Don't Want To Make Her Upset**

Xia Hanmo was so frightened that she immediately returned to Superstar Media; she had discovered that practically every room in her apartment was equipped with pinhole cameras.

Long Jie immediately handed her a shirt, "You can't continue living there."

"Should I lay the cards on the table? I don't know what else my manager has in her hands. In fact..."

Xia Hanmo was trembling. She never expected that she had been under surveillance for so long.

“Pssh, I’ve never seen someone as despicable as this manager. The rules in this industry have all been broken by this piece of trash,” Long Jie couldn’t help but complain.

Tangning looked at the two women and instructed Long Jie, “First, take control of the paparazzo that’s been working with the piece of trash. Get as much evidence that benefits Xia Hanmo as possible.”

“That’s easy,” Long Jie gestured OK with her hands.

While she was gone, Xia Hanmo was too afraid to return to her apartment and ended up sitting in a daze at Superstar Media for quite some time.

Later that afternoon, news arrived from Long Jie that she had secured the necessary evidence and had forced the paparazzo to shut up. After all, Superstar Media and Hai Rui were closely linked, so the paparazzo did not want to risk being destroyed over a small benefit.

“You can now speak to your management agency and see if they are willing to deal with your manager.”

“I’m afraid...it won’t be that easy.”

“I know it won’t be easy. But, at least, you’ll get to watch them fight amongst each other. You will eventually leave them anyway,” Tangning said quietly. When she was an artist, Tangning often took note of her identity and focused on her professionalism. But, after becoming a manager, her maturity was suddenly apparent.

“Just do as I say...”

Xia Hanmo thought about it for a moment and nodded her head.

Xia Hanmo didn’t need to care about attending the event that night, but to prevent her from being called a snob, Tangning asked Long Jie to deal with it.

Afterwards, Xia Hanmo drove back to the headquarters of A Thousand Pictures Media. Although the agency wasn’t that famous in the industry, they did have a few famous artists signed with them.

As soon as Xia Hanmo entered the building, she directly told her boss’ secretary, “I want to see President Lin.”

“OK, I’ll ask President Lin if he’s got some time.” After the secretary finished talking, she gave President Lin a phone call.

In the end, Xia Hanmo ended up waiting two hours, even though she could obviously hear a woman laughing in his office. Eventually, her patience wore out and she directly threw open the doors...

“Xia Hanmo, do you know the rules?” her boss yelled as the woman beside him quickly left the room.

Xia Hanmo hesitated for a few seconds before she stepped forward and threw the evidence she had onto the President’s table, “I would like to ask you whether a manager that has installed cameras all over my house deserves to be kept around.”

As soon as President Lin saw the evidence, he was a little surprised, “Have you made a mistake?”

“If this gets exposed to the public, I’m sure you know what the consequences are for your agency. President Lin, I would like to change managers and take legal action on this woman.”

“Xiao Mo, is this all a misunderstanding?”

“There’s no misunderstanding. You either do as I say, or A Thousand Pictures Media gets destroyed.” After speaking, Xia Hanmo moved to the side and added, “I’ll give you one day to give me an answer.”

She then left the office. Even though, she didn’t actually know why Tangning had instructed her to do this.

After Xia Hanmo left, President Lin gave Xia Hanmo’s manager a call, “You’ve been discovered by Xia Hanmo. Come to my place tonight.”

On the surface, these two appeared to be employee and boss, but in reality...they were actually lovers.

So, the reason why Tangning asked Xia Hanmo to reveal that she was being monitored, was so they could get evidence of the couple meeting in secret. If she didn’t take this opportunity to destroy A Thousand Pictures Media, Xia Hanmo would forever have something to worry about.

Most importantly, this agency also had a past grudge with her.

Although Xu Xin’s matter had already passed, it still existed in Tangning’s heart and the list of names that she previously compiled, were imprinted deeply in her memory.

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At this moment, Hai Rui already knew what was happening. Lu Che had heard about Tangning’s plan from Long Jie and mentioned it to Mo Ting, “President, does the Madam want to get revenge?”

“As long as she’s happy,” Mo Ting said calmly. “Check in detail whether there are any flaws in her plan and make sure nothing goes wrong. I don’t want these insignificant people to make her upset.”

After hearing this, Lu Che sighed.

As usual, in Mo Ting’s world, Tangning was always number one. No one could ever replace her.

If Tangning wanted to sign Xia Hanmo, it didn’t matter whether she could clear her name yet, she needed to first free Xia Hanmo from her current agency. And getting rid of them once and for all was the best method.

Xia Hanmo’s image could temporarily be put aside, but A Thousand Pictures Media had to first disappear.

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Night hit...

Xia Hanmo’s manager quietly snuck into President Lin’s villa. As soon as they saw each other, they had a moment of passion before they began to talk about serious business.

“The organizers replaced Xia Hanmo at the event tonight...I didn’t know and turned up at the event on my own. How embarrassing.”

“We can’t keep Xia Hanmo around anymore. Since her contract is ending soon, suck up her last drop of blood and get rid of her,” President Lin said as he wrapped his arms around the woman. “Who told you to slip up?”

“Hmmpf! How could that piece of trash complain to you about me? No one in Beijing likes her, yet she’s being so opinionated,” the manager scoffed. “I would like to see how she gets torn apart by anti-fans after she leaves our agency and joins another,”

“What are you talking about? Apart from us, who would dare to sign her on?”

The manager laughed before she once again fell into a moment of passion with the man. However, they had no idea that their every move was being recorded from the villa opposite.

As for their question about who would dare to sign Xia Hanmo...

Wasn’t the answer obvious?

Even though Xia Hanmo got famous because of her bad reputation, she still had a considerable amount of fame in Beijing. Tangning never reacted the same as everyone else, so she didn’t actually dislike her.

So, the disgusting couple would have to wait and see who had the better strategy.

But, before that, the public’s opinions had to be considered...

“Xia Hanmo is disgusting!”

“The reason? I have none. I simply dislike her!”

“I have no opinion. I just know that she’s done a lot of embarrassing things.”

“She’s a big-boobed, brainless bimbo and she’s a huge flirt!”

In reality, half of Xia Hanmo’s brain was filled with sentimental thoughts and had no space for other things. So, even at this moment, she had no idea about Tangning’s plan – and Tangning had no intention to tell her.

The next day, Xia Hanmo’s manager contacted the usual paparazzo with big news. She had a large collection of nude photos...

But, the paparazzo had already been contacted by Tangning, so he offered to buy everything in one go.

The manager easily agreed. After all, she wanted to exchange hands as soon as possible and separate herself from the bimbo. Plus, this was the last time she was doing this. So, there was no point holding onto the photos.

#### **Chapter 849: Cleaning Her Image Was Much Too Difficult**

After selling the photos, the manager waited at home for the news while she counted the money in her hands. However, she waited for quite some time, but Xia Hanmo’s name did not appear in the entertainment headlines.



So, she ended up giving the paparazzo a phone call. Even though she had already sold the photos and Xia Hanmo had nothing to do with her, she couldn't forget that Xia Hanmo had complained to President Lin about her. Based on this fact, she was determined to see Xia Hanmo completely destroyed.

At this time, Xia Hanmo once again appeared at the agency, asking to cancel her contract.

President Lin was well aware of what his lover had done, so he couldn't wait to break all ties with Xia Hanmo. That way A Thousand Pictures Media would not be implicated.

Since the photos had not been released yet, it was the perfect timing.

"Hanmo, the agency has been good to you over the years. Since you want to cancel your contract, we won't make things difficult for you. Here's a contract cancellation certificate. I wish you all the best in the future."

"As for compensation, I won't chase you for it. Let's settle this amicably."

"Thank you for being so understanding, President Lin," Xia Hanmo replied with a gentle chuckle.

President assumed she was about to become a tramp, punishable by all, so this moment was her last bit of calm before the storm. Hence, President Lin drafted a contract cancellation certificate at record speed and had it signed within 2 hours.

"Now that my contract is canceled, can President Lin deal with my ex-manager? If you don't do anything, I will need to hand it over to the court."

President Lin originally thought that Xia Hanmo would be content that her contract was canceled without any conditions. Who would have thought she'd follow up with such words?

President Lin was a little surprised as his expression changed.

"Hanmo, aren't you being a little ungrateful? The agency has already done enough for you..."

"The agency has been happily betraying me over the years," Xia Hanmo's voice was cold. "President Lin, I've been a conscientious employee over the years and obeyed all the agency's orders, yet you allowed my manager to sell me out..."

"What are you talking about?" President Lin yelled angrily. "You're no longer a part of the agency and your contract cancellation has already been signed, are you trying to extort us for money? Xia Hanmo, do you have any shame?"

"I told you before, I don't want money, I just want my ex-manager to be put to justice."

"Stop clinging onto us, get lost..."

"President Lin, you're forcing me to blow up the situation," Xia Hanmo warned calmly.

"You?" President Lin neatened his black tie and laughed in ridicule, "You've already lost your last bit of support, how much of a stir do you think you can set off in the industry? Did you think you could find another agency to join? Let me tell you, no one in this industry would dare sign you on!"

“This is not of your concern.” Afterwards, Xia Hanmo pulled out her phone and called her lawyer, right in front of President Lin, “Hand the information over to the court. While you’re at it, sue A Thousand Pictures Media as well. I’m sure the scandal of President Lin scheming against his artist with his lover will cause quite a stir.”

President Lin was a little stunned. He didn’t expect that Xia Hanmo would know about his private affairs.

“How did you...”

“I know more than you think.”

After speaking, Xia Hanmo stood up and left President Lin’s office. Meanwhile, President Lin was angry, but he did not take Xia Hanmo’s threats to heart.

After all, she was about to lose all credibility. Would anyone still trust her words?

“That little wench has no self-awareness.”

Like that, President Lin stupidly freed Xia Hanmo. He thought that destruction was the only thing that was waiting for her. But, a little while later, his secretary knocked on his door and said hesitantly, “Errr...President Lin. Everyone at the agency just saw...”

“What did they see?” President Lin asked impatiently.

“They saw Xia Hanmo being picked up by Tangning.”

“What?”

“It appears...Xia Hanmo has signed with Superstar Media...”

President Lin was completely shocked. Tangning! How did Xia Hanmo get involved with Tangning?

“Are you sure about what you saw?”

“There are plenty of witnesses,” the secretary replied in a cowardly manner.

“Tangning...Tangning...that little wench actually got involved with Tangning!” President Lin fell into a panic. After all, he knew better than anyone who Tangning was. Putting aside the fact that Tangning was a vengeful person who never lost any battles in the industry, the fact that Xia Hanmo tricked him into canceling her contract was enough to make him frustrated for quite some time.

“No need to worry. Even if Xia Hanmo has signed with Superstar Media, she can’t be saved. After all, she is about to be completely destroyed.”

Unfortunately, President Lin was once again wrong. Because, ten minutes later, a courier delivered a package from Superstar Media. As for the content...it was extremely indecent and unsightly, turning President Lin’s face pale in fear.

“Immediately contact Superstar Media...No, immediately invite them, invite their boss. I want to see Tangning!”

The secretary immediately called Superstar Media. However, the response she got was, “She’s busy.”

Not only was she busy, Long Jie even added, “Xia Hanmo no longer has anything to do with A Thousand Pictures Media. President Lin can either choose to sacrifice himself to protect his lover or...he can get rid of his lover and save himself.”

Even an idiot would know what to do.

Naturally, President Lin ended up saving himself. However, a matter like this always escalated into a battle where both parties received damage.

But, this no longer had anything to do with Xia Hanmo.

Meanwhile, Tangning simply waited to watch a good show.

“Why don’t we expose the two?” Xia Hanmo asked. “Are we waiting for them to find a chance to escape?”

“It’s only a matter of time before it gets exposed. But, it’s not the right time yet. Between President Lin and your ex-manager, who do you think will win? In the end, they will simply go down together. Following on, you should focus on cleaning your image rather than worrying about others,” Tangning explained with a smile. “You can definitely focus on that while everything else is happening.”

“But, didn’t President Mo say not to reveal that you’ve signed me?”

“This depends on the situation...I don’t think it’s a bad idea to let the public know,” Tangning replied with a deeper meaning.

Xia Hanmo did not say another word. She was still unsure about her future.

However, Tangning knew exactly where Xia Hanmo stood. She was not suited to continuing in the industry. All she had to do now was clean up her image and no longer attract the attention of the media.

“Do you like going on vacation?”

“Why do you ask?” Xia Hanmo asked.

“It’s nothing. Go home and get a good night’s rest. From tomorrow onwards, everything will start afresh,” Tangning said as she patted Xia Hanmo on the shoulder, “Trust me.”

Didn’t Xia Hanmo contact Tangning because she trusted her?

Even though completely cleaning her image was much too difficult, Tangning always did as promised.

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## **Chapter 850: Will Tangning Succeed ?**

News that Xia Hanmo signed on with Superstar Media quickly spread across the entire industry.

Plenty of people couldn’t understand why Tangning was trying to clean up a pile of sh\*t. It wasn’t that they viewed Xia Hanmo that badly, but her reputation was much too bad. If someone wanted to post

her bad points onto social media, even 9 images wouldn't be enough to summarize it all. Wasn't Tangning walking into a dead end?

"Is Tangning getting too proud after making two artists famous? How dare she get involved with Xia Hanmo?"

"I must praise her courage...Xia Hanmo is like a cancer. The only reason she is still famous is because people enjoy criticizing her. Yet, Tangning took her in like she's some kind of precious treasure."

"If Tangning is able to clean up even Xia Hanmo, then I really need to reconsider my values and bow down to her."

The public were confused by Tangning's actions. In fact, some people even complained that there was something wrong with her brain.

However, at this time, a piece of humiliating news began to circulate about A Thousand Pictures Media.

The boss of the agency fired Xia Hanmo's previous manager because she had used her own artist to make extra money on the side. In response, the manager revealed her affair with President Lin to his wife, causing the wife to kick President Lin out of the agency. At the moment, the trio were practically revealing each other's embarrassing secrets every hour.

Of course, as the argument between the three began to escalate, news of how the manager sold information to the paparazzi about her artist was exposed.

Needless to say, the artist that was sold out...was Xia Hanmo.

But, one slap wasn't loud enough. Without the boss of A Thousand Pictures Media supporting her, how would the manager be brave enough to do that?

Most amusing of all, Xia Hanmo did not need to do a thing, because President Lin's wife ended up taking the couple to court and the trio tore each other apart in the most embarrassing way. It wasn't hard to guess the outcome.

The mistress manager and President Lin were left with nothing; it was non-negotiable.

On top of that, the wife hired someone to give them a beating.

Originally, Superstar Media could have hyped up the fact that Xia Hanmo was a victim, that she had nothing to do with all her previous scandals and that her manager had betrayed her. But, Superstar Media didn't do a thing and Xia Hanmo didn't step out to complain.

She simply left A Thousand Picture Media all on her own without causing any arguments or searching for trouble.

What exactly did Tangning have planned?

Her plan was actually very simple.

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Later that night at Hyatt Regency.

After giving the two rascals a bath, Tangning dropped into Mo Ting's study room and looked through the posts that Xia Hanmo had made on social media, including articles and thoughts about traveling. Only when she posted things like this did she receive less abuse.

As a celebrity whose every breath was practically a mistake, Xia Hanmo's first step was to reduce her appearances in front of the public.

Tangning remained in the study room for a while contemplating a problem. If she asked Xia Hanmo to completely leave the industry, she would be cutting off her income, even though she still needed money for her brother's hospital fees. However, she couldn't let Xia Hanmo continue acting because it would not help her image at all. After all, it didn't matter whether she was capable or not, the slandering would not stop.

After coming out of the bathroom and seeing Tangning still in the study room, Mo Ting pushed open the door and walked inside.

"What are you thinking about? You look so focused."

"I have a bold idea, but I have never done something like this before, so I'm not sure about the risks," Tangning said as she lifted her head. "Xia Hanmo is too special..."

"You can't ignore your own health while worrying about your artist. It's already past 11pm, it's time to go to sleep," Mo Ting said with his arms crossed.

"Help me analyze my idea."

"OK...but I will only discuss it in bed," Mo Ting said as he raised an eyebrow.

Tangning pondered for a couple of seconds, but she did not move. It was not until Mo Ting waved his hand at her, did she give up and walk over to his side.

No matter how smart she appeared to the public and how much of a legend she was, in front of Mo Ting, she would always be the one that needed guidance. Because she knew there weren't many people in the world that were like her husband, who had complete control over everything and the ability to handle anything like a king.

Apart from feelings of love, Tangning also worshipped Mo Ting. She worshipped him like others would worship a hero...

"Tell me what your idea is..."

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Because Xia Hanmo did not complain in front of the public, the industry disliked her a little less. However, it didn't mean that her image was completely clean again.

Of course, Tangning did not expect Xia Hanmo's image to be saved so easily. But, with guidance from Mo Ting the night before, Tangning developed a comprehensive understanding of her own vision. So, when Mo Ting told her that her idea was feasible, her courage went up a few levels.

The next day, Tangning met with Xia Hanmo at her office. She then handed some information she found the night before to Xia Hanmo, "You've got plenty of fans, so it's a shame to give up on them. Plus, you need to maintain a high income. So, I've planned out a very special path for you."

"What is it?"

"I read a lot of your posts, including the travel diary that you shared. I feel like this is your strength. So, following on, you will be using the agency's money to go on vacation. Afterwards, I want you to share your experience on social media. I want you to appear differently in front of everyone."

"It sounds like you want me to be an online influencer," Xia Hanmo replied.

"You're right..." Tangning smiled. "This is the most worthy path for you to follow because you can't appear in front of the public, but your knowledge can."

"It's not important to the public whether your scandals are true or false because you are a magnet for slandering. So, you need to change the way you live your life. You need to use something sophisticated to enhance your value. You need to use your current status to tell everyone that, no matter how much you get slandered, you will focus on living a healthy life..."

"The public will find themselves agreeing with your values. But, either way, I honestly think that your travel diary is very entertaining and well-written.

"Do you want to give it a try?" Tangning asked.

She could now travel, write and maintain a high level of attention. Most importantly, she had the opportunity to change the way the public viewed her.

This was much too tempting for Xia Hanmo.

"But, I need to warn you first, there is no precedent of this in the industry. At least, when it comes to someone like you who's been slandered unexpectedly, they are still in the slandering stage. So, you need to prepare yourself."

"I understand," Xia Hanmo replied.

"Don't rush into trusting me, I'm not confident with the odds yet." Tangning wanted to see a result from Xia Hanmo, because she didn't know what her idea would do to Xia Hanmo.

Especially when it came to the public's reaction. This was the first time that Tangning didn't know what to expect.

But, the thing that Mo Ting supported the most about Tangning was the fact that Superstar Media were extremely accepting and allowed the existence of all kinds of artists.

And Xia Hanmo was the best example...

But, was Tangning going to succeed? What would the public think about her change?