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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 461-Everything happened as expected the next day. Ning Ran was up early and the first thing she did was check her phone. As she anticipated, Ye Meng was all over the trending news.

But this time around, Ning Ran was not mentioned at all—and it was all because of the video posted yesterday.

What was caught on camera was pretty straightforward. Ye Meng, dressed in a sexy low-cut dress, was leaning towards a young man.

Her moves were tantalizing and her face was flushed.

Yes, it was common for actresses to socialize with people over a drink. But this video's release was rather untimely.

That very morning, Ye Meng shed tears to elicit sympathy online.

Everyone was under the impression that she was in great pain and that it would take a long time before she recovered.

But on the same day itself, a video of her drinking merrily with Ouyang Qi was released. There was not the slightest hint of sorrow in that video.

Besides, she was dressed scantily and was behaving in a flirtatious manner.

All the netizens lambasted her mercilessly. Even the fans felt betrayed and their comments were crude.

Here we are defending you with all we have, and there you are having a jolly good time with a man! What do you think you are doing?

You need to stop taking your fans for granted!

What you're doing is unforgivable. You're simply toying with us!

What a promiscuous woman!

It was obvious that Ye Meng had let her fans down, especially male fans.

They were left disappointed seeing their female idol dressed skimpily and behaving intimately with another man.

In fact, then fans felt so disillusioned their criticisms quickly spiraled out of control. Some started cursing her and launching personal attacks, calling her names and degrading her.

Ye Meng had also responded to the video, clarifying that the video was taken a long time ago when she was hanging out with a friend.

She even accused whoever posted this of having malicious intent to slander her and to divert the public's attention from what happened to her yesterday.

It was apparent that she was pointing fingers at Ning Ran.

And as Ye Meng wished, the netizens soon directed their criticisms towards Ning Ran, accusing her of being a scheming and vicious woman who wanted to frame Ye Meng.

But as per Nan Chen's request, Ning Ran made no comments.

And within just an hour, the tables turned.

Photos of Ye Meng and Ouyang Qi at a hotel's reception counter spread online like wildfire. What was more interesting was that the digital timer on the front desk was clearly captured in the photos.

The time showed on the timer was yesterday at midnight.

All this evidence suggested but one thing—Ye Meng and Ouyang Qi spent the night together at the hotel.

And everything blew up into a full-scale furor.

Ye Meng's name had even become the most searched keyword on social media.

Ye Meng spent the night with a man at a hotel.

Ye Meng getting drunk at a club.

Ye Meng caught flirting with a man.

However, there were still some loyal fans who disregarded this evidence and chose to stand by their idol, accusing Ning Ran of being the main culprit who staged all these.

These fans berated anyone who said anything bad about Ye Meng in an indiscriminating fashion and even speculated that there was someone behind Ning Ran who was planning this.

Amidst the heated debate online, Ning Ran was summoned to the office because of work.

Channing, the brand endorsed by both Ning Ran and Ye Meng, requested the presence of the new brand ambassadors at an event to meet the consumers.

Although one of their contract obligations was to attend events held by the brand they were working with, asking these two actresses to attend an event together at this point in time was still tactless on the brand's side, especially when they were totally aware of what was going on between the two.

What was more terrible was that the brand had called for an event involving Ning Ran and Ye Meng because they wanted to gain something out of it.

An event featuring both of these actresses would definitely attract the public's attention.

They did not care who was in the right because all they wanted was to milk this for all it was worth and gain more brand publicity.

But for Ning Ran and Ye Meng, this event could turn out to be disastrous.

This was why Wang Xiaoou and her team called Ning Ran over to discuss if it was strategic for Ning Ran to attend this uncanny event.

Cheng Xiangyun was the first to disagree at the meeting. "She's definitely not going. We all know they have an ulterior motive and we are not sending Ran over like a sheep to be slaughtered. Things are bound to get sticky!"

But Wang Xiaoou begged to differ. "There will definitely be security guards at the event. Things won't go out of control even if there is an assault."

Across the table, Cheng Xiangyun was getting anxious. "Ou, don't tell me you don't know anything about what might happen after years of being a talent agent. You know full well what will befall her if she makes a public appearance now!"

But Wang Xiaoou's stance was not completely baseless. "I understand where you're coming from. But what if Ye Meng attends the event and Ning Ran doesn't? This will give the netizens something more to gossip about."

Ning Ran, who had been silent throughout the whole discussion, decided to have a say in the matter as well. "The people will definitely say I'm behaving like a coward because I have something to hide. If Ye Meng really attends the event, it will give her the upper hand to turn the tides."

"I agree," Wang Xiaoou said, nodding passionately.

“But that’s hypothetical. What if she doesn’t come?” Cheng Xiangyun pointed out.

“That’s totally possible. But we also have to consider the chances of her going to the event,” Wang Xiaoou replied.

“Can’t we confirm with Channing if she’s going?” Cheng Xiangyun suggested.

“No. I don’t think they’ll tell us even if they know. Attending the event is Ning Ran’s legal obligation to the brand. They are not obliged in any way to tell us if Ye Meng will be attending. It’s apparent that they’re doing this for publicity,” Wang Xiaoou answered.

Cheng Xiangyun rubbed her hands in frustration. “Then what should we do? We’re caught between a rock and a hard place!”

Sitting in between them, Ning Ran finally made a decision after much contemplation. “I’ll go.”

“Are you sure?” Wang Xiaoou was surprised by her determination.

“Yes. I can’t run away forever. Besides, I don’t see why I shouldn’t go. I did nothing wrong. Those people will still criticize me regardless of the truth. I’ll endure whatever comes my way as long as I don’t die in their hands.”

Wang Xiaoou beamed with pride as she watched Ning Ran. “That’s a courageous decision. We will stand by you no matter what. I’ll make sure the security arrangement is foolproof.”

“No, you don’t have to,” Ning Ran urged.

Wang Xiaoou jerked her head and looked at her. “Why? Do you think no one will attack you? Ye Meng has many loyal fans, and they are bound to lash out at you. Some of them might even get physical!”

“That’s not altogether a bad thing. The video of me slapping Ye Meng has made me look like a bad person. If I’m attacked this time around, I bet the public will look at me differently. I want to let them know that I’m also vulnerable. Even if they do not sympathize with me, they will definitely look at what happened in a more reasonable light.”

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Not bad. She calculated every move carefully. Appearing before the public is both a brave and wise decision.

Upon receiving the news, Jiang Zhe immediately went ahead with the necessary arrangements. "I've already notified Qiao Zhan to go over with Ms. Ding on that day. They will be assisting the organizer's security team at the event."

But Nan Chen shook his hand and said, "No, there's no need for that."

Jiang Zhe raised his brows and blinked blankly at Nan Chen in disbelief.

"There's not a need to mobilize our family's security team for a small event like this. It's not like the fans can do anything to her," he explained coldly.

"But Ye Meng's fans will be attending the event. God knows what they're gonna do to Ms. Ding!" Jiang Zhe disagreed.

"Since Channing decided to call for this event at this point in time, they should be responsible for all the risks. They must have factored in every possibility to propose something this audacious," Nan Chen replied.

But it was not like Jiang Zhe was unaware of what Nan Chen said. He was just worried that something might happen to Ning Ran.

"Let the organizer know that Ning Ran should be allowed to interact with the fans, but they have to make sure that no harm befalls her," Nan Chen ordered.

Jiang Zhe nodded and went out to make a call immediately.

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It was the big day and Ning Ran was rigged out in her best for the event, wearing an exorbitant necklace worth more than a million, as per Channing's request.

Beside her, two women followed her closely—not because they needed to take care of her—but because they needed to keep an eye on the expensive jewelry.

They had to make sure that the necklace was returned to the company without a single scratch.

Under the careful surveillance of the two frantic ladies, Ning Ran paced towards the entrance confidently.

The venue was swarming with people, but none of them seemed to be here to cause a ruckus.

In fact, the crowd looked so composed Ning Ran felt as if the people attending were just extras hired by the organizer.

The event went on smoothly and came to an end.

But just as Ning Ran was about to get in the car to leave the venue, a group of women came charging ferociously towards her.

The one leading the group shouted, "This is the bitch that slapped Ye Meng!"

"She deserves to die!" another yelled.

"Yes! She should just quit showbiz!" yet another exclaimed.

Hearing the commotion, a bodyguard nearby quickly came to Ning Ran's aid.

It so happened that he was the only bodyguard who was around Ning Ran although there were many of them nearby earlier on.

It was obvious that there was nothing much he could do as they started throwing eggs and tomatoes at Ning Ran.

Around them, reporters started flashing their cameras and taking pictures, capturing photos of Ning Ran at her most embarrassing moment.

Seeing the commotion, the crowd also took out their phones to record a video. Some of them even live-streamed the incident.

Just as Ning Ran was caught in a difficult situation, a man with a mask and a pair of sunglasses waded through the huge crowd and protected her with his body, escorting her out of the crowd.

A car pulled by right beside the road and they hopped on.

After they got in, a pungent smell of rotten egg wafted through the car and even Ning Ran felt disgusted by herself.

Over on the other side of the car, the man took off his mask and smiled at her proudly. "It feels nice to be a hero!"

Ning Ran looked at the man in alarm. "Ouyang Qi! What are you doing here?"

He clapped his hands in excitement and replied, "I came here to save you!"

"I don't need you to save me. I know you're on Ye Meng's side!" Ning Ran called him out blatantly.

Ouyang Qi eyed her grudgingly and rolled his eyes. "Are you dumb? The video wouldn't even be online if I were on her side!"

It suddenly occurred to Ning Ran that he was probably the one who was behind the video that showed Ye Meng drinking with him. "You're the one that posted the video?" she asked.

"Who else would have taken that video? I was the one who asked her out that night!" Ouyang Qi admitted his crime with a sly smile.

"And you did that to help me?" she asked.

"Of course! I posted that video to divert the public's attention. How are you going to thank me?" he asked cheekily.

"If that's really the case, I really have to thank you," Ning Ran said with a sigh of relief.

"It's not your fault, to begin with. But anyway, don't you think my plan worked perfectly? I used myself as a bait. No one else could have thought of such a splendid plan," Ouyang Qi said, resting his hand on his chest.

"So you guys really slept together yesterday?" Ning Ran inquired as she assessed Ouyang Qi's face.

"Yeah, I did. I sacrificed my body for you. But don't you worry, my heart still belongs to you although I was with her physically," Ouyang Qi reassured.

"Keep your heart to yourself," Ning Ran watched him with repugnance.

"Are you jealous?" Ouyang Qi questioned eagerly.

"Why should I be jealous? It has nothing to do with me!" Ning Ran quickly explained herself.

Ouyang Qi pouted his lips and eyed her from the corner of his eyes. "I know you're jealous. Just admit it. You like me and that's why you're angry with me for sleeping with Ye Meng."

Ning Ran pursed her lips and shook her head before she turned towards the driver. "Stop the car at the junction over there. I need to get down. I stink."

"It's okay. You can change when we reach the hotel. I'll ask someone to send your clothes over," Ouyang Qi quickly replied.

But Ning Ran was fixated on getting off the car. "I can handle this myself. Don't bother yourself."

"I don't find it bothersome. I'm glad to help. You can always turn to me if you need anything," Ouyang Qi said.

Ning Ran turned and her gaze sank through Ouyang Qi. "Then answer my question. Who sent the video to Nan Chen?"

Ouyang Qi's reaction was completely unexpected. He sat up from his seat and peered at her. "You were with Nan Chen yesterday night? What were you guys doing? How could you do this to me?"

But Ning Ran did not see anything wrong with that. "We were discussing how we should settle the issue. I'm an actress in their company. What's wrong with seeing Nan Chen?"

Ouyang Qi clenched his fist and beat his chest as he bombarded her with a litany of questions. "Did you guys do anything other than discussing what happened? You didn't do anything that would break my heart, right?"

"Just answer my question! How did Nan Chen get his hands on the video?" Ning Ran was getting impatient.

Ouyang Qi finally shifted his gaze and told her what happened. "Nan Chen sent someone to tail Ye Meng. When they saw Ye Meng and me together, those people suggested that we record a video."

Ning Ran's eyes widened as she tried to make sense of what she just heard.

Nan Chen and Ouyang Qi had always been at odds with each other. She could not believe they actually worked together!

"Why are you so surprised? He's not as good as you think he is," Ouyang Qi told her.

Ning Ran scoffed and gave him a sidelong glance. "It's not like you're any better yourself. I thought you guys never saw eye to eye?"

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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 463-Ouyang Qi adjusted his position and faced Ning Ran as he explained away. "Not really. Our families are close, so we knew each other since we were kids, although I can't really tell him and his brother apart. The only reason why we don't get along now is because of you."

But Ning Ran knew it was all a bluff. "Stop talking nonsense and tell me why you agreed to work with Nan Chen."

"My original plan was to persuade Ye Meng to go easy on you. But the people Nan Chen sent said I should just have a drink with her and have it recorded instead of wasting my energy talking to her. Like I told you, Nan Chen is not as good as you think he is. I'll never do something this underhanded."

It was obvious that Ouyang Qi was trying to make himself appear better by putting Nan Chen down.

“Yeah, but you still agreed to his proposal,” Ning Ran pointed out honestly.

“But he was the one who came up with the idea. He actually wanted to do it himself, but he knew he was not attractive enough to ask Ye Meng out for a drink. That’s why he had to ask me to do it,” Ouyang Qi said.

Ning Ran suppressed her smile and nodded mechanically as Ouyang Qi bragged away.

“What’s so funny?” Ouyang Qi asked, looking at her.

“Nothing. I just think you really have a way with words,” she replied nonchalantly.

Emboldened by the compliment, Ouyang Qi continued badmouthing Nan Chen. “He came out with a sneaky idea and pushed me into doing it. How reliable can a person like that be, eh?”

Ning Ran continued nodding as he talked on and on about Nan Chen.

“Don’t you agree?” Ouyang Qi finally asked.

“Yes, I agree with everything you said.”

“Good. Then we should have a meal together after you get a change.”

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Over at Nanshi Corporation, Nan Chen flung a document file in full force at Jiang Zhe in his office.

“What is Ouyang Qi doing there?” he interrogated.

“I’m sorry, Mr. Chen. He happened to pass by and...”

“He happened to pass by? It’s not like the event was held beside a big road!”

Jiang Zhe almost slapped himself in the mouth for coming up with such a lame excuse. He quickly picked up the file and put it back on the table as he took the chance to think about another explanation.

“He must be there because he knew there was an event going on. That’s why...”

“I’m not going to let him play the good guy. Where is he now?” Nan Chen asked furiously.

Jiang Zhe stole a timid look at Nan Chen and replied softly, "They went to the hotel."

"What? They went to the hotel?" Nan Chen sprang to his feet, sending his roller chair banging against the wall.

He reached for the file Jiang Zhe picked up and slammed it towards the ground.

"Ms. Ding dirtied her clothes and she needed a change. That's why she's heading for the hotel to wash up," Jiang Zhe said quietly.

"She can do that at home! Why does she have to go to the hotel with him?" Nan Chen went berserk.

"They left the place in Ouyang Qi's car. I guess Ms. Ding did not want to bring him home." Jiang Zhe was doing all he could to extinguish the fire.

"That doesn't mean they can just go to a hotel!" Nan Chen roared, sweeping everything on the table to the floor in a fit.

"Damn it!" Nan Chen shouted as he stormed out of the office.

Jiang Zhe dashed after him as he searched his pocket for his phone to call the driver.

In less than ten minutes, Nan Chen was already at the hotel.

By the time he arrived, Ouyang Qi was sitting at the lobby, looking at his phone leisurely as he hummed a lively tune. He felt a threatening glare piercing through him and he looked up, only to see Nan Chen charging towards him.

He stood up nervously and evaded his glare guiltily.

"Why are you here? Did you send someone to spy on me again?" Ouyang Qi asked coldly.

"Where is she?" Nan Chen questioned.

"She's bathing in the room. Those people dirtied her clothes and she had to change."

"Which room?" Nan Chen probed with a scrutinizing tone.

But Ouyang Qi was not planning on telling him. "She asked me to wait for her. Why not you just sit and wait together?"

"I asked which room is she in?" Nan Chen reiterated his question. He was not in the mood for any game.

“Seriously, what’s wrong with you? Don’t tell me you’re going to barge into the room! Just be patient and wait here,” Ouyang Qi retaliated.

“Fine. I’m going to ask the front desk,” Nan Chen said curtly as he walked towards the receptionist.

“Excuse me. Could you tell me the room number of the lady who came in with this man who looks like a pervert?”

The receptionist stole a furtive look at the handsome young man before her and answered disconcertedly, “I’m sorry, but I can’t tell you anything about our guests.”

“Why?” Nan Chen inquired immediately.

“Because the lady specifically told us not to tell anyone her room number. We’re responsible for the safety of our guests,” the receptionist answered with a coy smile.

“She asked you not to tell anybody?” Nan Chen asked.

“Yes. I’m sorry but we have to respect the guest’s request,” she replied in a helpless tone.

If Ning Ran had not requested so, the receptionist would have readily offered any information Nan Chen needed. He was just too attractive for her to reject any of his requests. From the way she was drooling over Nan Chen, it was not surprising at all that she would even give him her WeChat ID if he had asked for it.

Across the front desk, Nan Chen’s frown relaxed and his mood lightened up after he found out that Ning Ran was the one who asked the receptionist to keep her room number a secret.

She must have done so because she did not want Ouyang Qi to know where she was.

Ning Ran took the necessary precaution to keep that man away and Nan Chen finally heaved a sigh of relief.

That’s my wife!

Looking at how things turned out, it seemed like he got all worked up for nothing.

Nan Chen walked over to the leather couch and sat down as he waited for Ning Ran.

Seeing him come back, Ouyang Qi leaned closer and asked, “What about a game?”

“Get lost!” Nan Chen scoffed.

“Come on. Don’t be a bore. Let’s play a game. It’ll be fun,” Ouyang Qi said yet again.

“Get lost!” Nan Chen’s voice hardened as he shot him a death glare.

“How can you talk like this to me? I know we dislike each other, but there’s not a need to be so rude,” Ouyang Qi replied in a superficially polite tone.

“Just get lost!” Nan Chen raised his voice.

But Ouyang Qi did not seem to heed his warning. “I did everything you said yesterday. You should at least thank me for making everything a success. But here you are, instead of thanking me, you’re asking me to get lost. Where are your manners? So much for a gentleman!”

To Ouyang Qi’s dismay, his long reproval did not elicit any response from Nan Chen. He had his gaze locked on the entrance.

In no time, Jiang Zhe appeared at the entrance with a branded shopping bag in his hand. It was the most expensive luxury brand for women’s apparel in Flower City, and there was only one retail shop for that brand in the whole city.

Following Nan Chen’s gaze, Ouyang Qi quickly said, “I’ve already got her a set of clothes.”

But Nan Chen disregarded him completely and gestured at Jiang Zhe to bring the bag over before asking him to leave first.

Jiang Zhe nodded and greeted Ouyang Qi before turning to leave.

Unlike Nan Chen, who could treat Ouyang Qi as coldly as he liked, Jiang Zhe could not.

It was true that Ouyang Qi was a dandy, but it was also equally true that he was Ouyang Duo’s son.

Everyone had to respect him because of his dad.

That was why he was able to ask Ye Meng out and even slept with the female superstar.

It would not have been possible if it were not for Ouyang Qi.

After greeting Jiang Zhe back, Ouyang Qi cocked his head towards Nan Chen and dissed, “You should learn from your assistant. He’s much more polite and he knows his manners.”

Again, Nan Chen ignored him and looked past him towards the elevator as the door opened. Ning Ran was finally back.

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He was so good-looking that he always stood out amongst the crowd.

Although she did not realize it, she looked stunning too.

The moment she appeared, every lady in the hotel lobby seemed dull and colorless in comparison.

The moment their eyes met, they became the most beautiful object to each other.

When Ning Ran saw him, she felt a sense of affection and comfort even though his face was expressionless.

She quickened her steps as she went towards Nan Chen but she forgot that she was wearing 10 cm high heels for this function.

These high heels were the most unfit shoes for running in the world. As she came close to Nan Chen, she stumbled and fell forward just like the way it would be filmed in a drama series.

However, Nan Chen's reaction was quicker than any hero in those drama series. He leapt forward like a leopard and caught hold of Ning Ran.

Ning Ran's body fell forward quite heavily due to the momentum of her movement but Nan Chen was steady as he caught her deftly in his firm embrace.

Ouyang Qi just watched on as he wondered what they were up to. Are they acting for me the roles of a knight in shining armor saving a damsel in distress?

I am the knight who saved this damsel and I was the one who helped her out of the mess then. Why is Nan Chen reaping the benefits?

Suddenly, he felt extremely regretful. He regretted that he did not sign up for some martial arts classes and practiced hard. If he had, he would be the one to leap forward to catch her and prevent her from falling. Nan Chen would not have claimed the credit then.

When Ning Ran lifted her head, she saw Nan Chen's face with perfect contours and he was way better looking than those young hunks who had gone for numerous plastic surgeries.

The scent of orange blossoms drifted in gently and Nan Chen's heart skipped a beat. Unknowingly his arms tightened and drew the woman closer in him.

The two of them acted like in a romantic drama series, hugging and gazing at each other for a few seconds.

Ouyang Qi watched the scene and his heart was consumed by the flames of jealousy. He felt that he had been robbed by Nan Chen. He was the one who saved this woman from a predicament. Why should Nan Chen be the one to embrace her?

"Hey, that's enough. Don't go overboard. Time to let go of each other," Ouyang Qi went to them and said angrily.

Now Ning Ran was embarrassed. She blushed while she quickly struggled out of Nan Chen's arms.

Nevertheless, after letting go of her, Nan Chen's gaze lingered on her body. He was looking at the branded clothes she was wearing.

Prior to this, Ouyang Qi had mentioned that he had prepared some clothes for Ning Ran. So, these must be the clothes.

To be honest, these clothes were quite costly although they were not the same brand that Nan Chen had bought. Still, these were made by an international brand.

Furthermore, Ouyang Qi had good taste. It was a long black dress which was simple and classy so Ning Ran looked mature and aristocratic in it.

Coincidentally, the dress that Nan Chen had asked someone to buy was almost the same style. It was also a black dress.

Though there were slight differences in the design, the overall effect was similar.

However, Nan Chen was still frowning. "Go and change out of this dress!"

Ning Ran was taken aback. This is a brand new dress. Why do I need to change it?

Furthermore, she had made an effort to look at herself in the mirror and she looked great in it. Why should I change it?

Nan Chen picked up the bag of clothes and handed it to Ning Ran. "Go and put on this dress."

Seeing this, Ouyang Qi was upset.

“What is that for? This costume is new, it fits hers and she looks good in it. Why must she change it?”

“She’s the spokesperson for another brand. She shouldn’t be wearing this brand.” Nan Chen replied coldly.

“The brand you bought isn’t that particular brand too. Why can she wear it then?”

“She will be the spokesperson for this brand soon.” Nan Chen’s voice was cold.

“Well, isn’t there no endorsement yet? You’re doing this on purpose...”

Nan Chen interrupted Ouyang Qi, “This is none of your business. Please step aside.”

“Why is it none of my business? I bought it.”

“All the more reason she shouldn’t wear it. Your tacky influence is stuck on it!”

“I’m not tacky! You are the one who is tacky. I bought for her branded clothes!”

“They are tacky because you bought them!” Nan Chen concluded decisively.

“You are the tacky one. Whatever you buy is tacky because you are tacky.” Ouyang Qi was exasperated.

Ignoring Ouyang Qi, Nan Chen looked at Ning Ran. “Why are you still here? You can’t wear this brand of clothing from now onwards.”

Ning Ran was torn in between.

Even though she was not too fond of Ouyang Qi, she appreciated what he did today they were done out of good intentions.

Besides, these clothes really looked good. Now that Nan Chen wanted her to change out of them, she felt that it was an insult to Ouyang Qi.

She just thought this was downright rude.

“Don’t stand here anymore. Just go and get changed. You are an artist in my company, so you must not do anything that is against the interests of the company,” Nan Cheng said.

Ouyang Qi could not bear it any longer. “How is she going against your company’s interests?”

“She is doing that when she wears clothes from a competing brand’.”

“But, she is now not the spokesperson for this brand yet.”

“She will be soon. The agreement is in the final stages of discussion and it will be signed tomorrow.” Nan Chen said firmly.

Ning Ran did not know if what Nan Chen said was true but looking at Nan Chen’s demeanor, she knew that he would go on badgering her until she changed her clothes.

“Since there is a conflict of interest with the brands, then please give me a minute while I’ll go and get changed.” Ning Ran finally agreed.

Finally, Nan Chen was pleased.

Ouyang Qi was seething with anger but there was nothing he could do.

Neither was he certain if what Nan Chen said was true. If there was a conflict of interest, then Ning Ran really could not wear clothes by other brands, especially those of major competitors.

At the very least, not at a public function and if she did, the logo must not be visible.

Ning Ran turned around and went back to the room to change. Nan Chen looked at Ouyang Qi, “Why aren’t you leaving yet?”

“What about you?” Ouyang Qi asked him the same question.

“I’m waiting for someone.”

“I am waiting for someone, too. I was the one who saved her and we had agreed to have lunch together,” Ouyang Qi said.

“She has canceled the lunch appointment with you. I have urgent some business with her.”

“Why must she go with you when you come to take her out? What is her relationship with you?”

“She is one of my artists. When I need to talk with her about work, no outsiders are allowed to be present.” Nan Chen said sharply.

“That’s an excuse. What type of work has to be discussed immediately?”

“You have no right to know. Please leave now.”

Nan Chen turned away and did not look at Ouyang Qi anymore.

Ouyang Qi was indignant for Nan Chen had gone overboard.

“Nan Chen, I have been a great help to you. You are totally ungrateful. Don't you think your behavior is unacceptable?” Ouyang Qi yelled.

“When did you ever help me?”

“The incident involving Ye Meng. Did I not help you? If it were not for my video recording...”

“What video recording? I have forgotten about such incident.” Nan Chen stopped Ouyang Qi from bringing up the incident.

“I'll leave now. You are really an ungrateful person. So, this is the type of person Sir Chen is! Well, I have seen it myself.”

“Now that you have seen me clearly, please leave quickly.”

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It was from Feng Jialing, asking him to return home for she needed to see him.

Even though Ouyang Qi hardly did anything constructive, he would not dare to go against his mom's wish.

This was because if he offended the elders, his financial support might be cut off.

Without financial support from his family, he could not live a colorful life.

Ouyang Qi no longer cared about arguing with Nan Chen but hurried back to the Orchid Club, which was the base camp of the Ouyang family in Flower City.

Ouyang Duo was not in. No one was there except for Ouyang Qing and Feng Jialing.

The two did not look pleased, especially Ouyang Qing who glared at Ouyang Qi with disgust in her eyes.

“What's going on? Why are you both showing such unwelcoming faces?”

Ouyang Qi wasn't really bothered and threw himself onto a sofa, then casually picked up an apple from the table and started munching on it.

“Just look at yourself! You don’t look like a descendent of the Ouyang family at all, do you? What have you been up to this whole day?” Feng Jialing scolded angrily.

“Whatever I am, I inherited that from you. And I am eating an apple now. Is that not allowed?” Ouyang Qi laughed.

“So were you the guy who had a fling with that woman?”

“Yes, that’s me. I’m a grown-up. Do I need permission from my mother when I date a woman?” Ouyang Qi laughed again.

“Come on, get serious!” Feng Jialing raised her voice.

Ouyang Qi put down the apple he had been eating, saying, “What’s the matter? I just met someone and that is not allowed? Do you want me to be a celibate monk? If I become a monk, who will continue the Ouyang family lineage?”

Ouyang Qing interrupted the conversation, “Were you trying to help Ding Mi?”

“I have no idea what you are talking about.” Ouyang Qi feigned ignorance.

“Ye Meng had a clash with Ding Mi. So, Ding Mi was under attacked on the internet but you posted a video of yourself with Ye Meng. You were taking the pressure off Ding Mi, weren’t you?” Ouyang Qing interrogated him.

“What are you talking about? I really don’t understand.” Ouyang Qi continued to pretend.

“It’s bad enough that you are neither studying, working nor doing anything worthwhile. Why do you try to antagonize me? What are you trying to do? Whose side are you on?” Ouyang Qing yelled at her brother.

“Can you explain what happened? Why are both of you shouting at me? Why is everyone is so serious?” Ouyang Qi put on an innocent expression.

“You know fully well that Ding Mi is your younger sister’s rival. Why are you helping her? Why are you going against your own sister? How does this benefit you?” Feng Jialing pointed her finger at Ouyang Qi’s nose as she scolded him.

“Rival? Do you mean for Nan Chen’s affection? This is a matter of the heart, not a trade or business competition. You have to do better than your rival. I have pursued many women but I do not slander my rivals. You have to play fair and show you are better than your rivals. Qing, you are young and beautiful, and a top student too. You are too good for Nan Chen. Why do you resort to such shameless tactics? There is no such need. Besides, Nan Chen is not the only eligible man in the world. He is handsome, that’s all. Good look isn’t everything.”

“Shut up!” Feng Jialing yelled at Ouyang Qi.

Ouyang Qi shrugged his shoulders showing how helpless he was.

“Do you know what it means if Qing marries Nan Chen? It is not just a marriage, but a union between the two strongest families in the province. Once they go through with the wedding, we shall become one family and there will be no more opponents in this province in the future! This is a matter of family interests, it is not a matter of personal feelings! You have not contributed anything to our family. You only know how to enjoy life. You don’t know anything and you don’t learn anything,” Feng Jialing continued to scold him.

Ouyang Qi could not care less. “It sounds really important. However, no one from our family married any of the Nans and yet we are alive and doing well. We are doing fine, are we not?”

Now, Feng Jialing was really getting annoyed.

“How did I give birth to a son like you?”

“How would I know? You should ask yourself and dad!” Ouyang Qi replied, laughing.

Smack!

Feng Jialing gave Ouyang Qi a sharp slap across his face and he stopped laughing.

“Mom, you really hit me? You’ve never hit me before!”

“I have spoilt you too much. That’s why you’ve become so useless and incompetent!”

Ouyang Qi covered his face with his palm and went off by himself to a corner.

If it were just verbal, he could retort but when it came to blows, he could not fight back.

“Hasn’t your father told you about that woman?” Feng Jialing asked in a sharp voice.

“He did but I forgot.”

“Let me remind you once again now. From now on, you must never help that woman again!”

“If I succeed in courting her, Qing will be rid of a rival. Isn’t this to your advantage?”

“I will not agree to have a woman who has given birth to two children to become my daughter-in-law! You may have an affair with her but you cannot take her as your wife. For the time being, you can go ahead and pursue her. Once you get her, you will soon

be tired of her. When that happens, just get rid of her. This will be beneficial to our family,” Feng Jialing told him.

Ouyang Qi looked at his mother and felt as if she was a stranger.

He had always been a dandy and he could not even remember how many movie starlets he had a fling with.

However, those relationships were mutually beneficial. A woman who had had a good time with him would always be rewarded, either in the form of material gain or other financial support.

He did not think that there was anything wrong with that for that was how things worked in the entertainment industry.

It would be ridiculous and laughable if anyone were to seriously express the wish to grow old together as a couple.

However, coming from his mother, these words seemed cruel and awkward to Ouyang Qi.

Why should a woman be so cruel to another? How could my mom have such horrible thoughts?

“Have you understood what I have just told you?” Feng Jialing asked again.

“Yes, I have,” Ouyang Qi replied.

“So, you have to date that woman, think of some way to get her drunk or drugged, then post a video on both of you which must be lewder and revealing than the one with that other woman. As soon as the video comes out, Nan Chen will certainly be disgusted with her and won’t stick with her again. Since she is such a materialistic person, she will definitely look around for financial support. Then your opportunity will come. You take her in and have fun with her. After a while, when you get bored of her, just give her a small amount of money and send her away,” Feng Jialing instructed her son.

“She is with Nan Chen now,” Ouyang Qi could not help but tell the truth.

“Then, find a way to distract Nan Chen. You have been mixing around in this circle for so many years. You don’t need me to teach you how to deal with that woman, do you? Isn’t this your best asset?”

Ouyang Qi sighed. Although I have been with many women, I have never done anything like drugging someone or getting someone drunk.

Those women were with me willingly. What’s the point if they were unwilling?

Those were his personal opinion which he knew must not be spoken aloud.

Unwillingly, Ouyang Qi agreed to do as his mother instructed. "I'll try my best. I can't guarantee anything as it depends on luck."

"You have to do it. You cannot keep helping that woman. You must destroy her. You have to clear the path for your sister to become a member of the Nan family! If you don't do this, you have to earn your own keep. Don't expect to get any money from us anymore!" Feng Jialing gave his son the ultimatum.

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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 466-The video of Ning Ran getting beaten up at the event was uploaded onto the Internet. There was a public outcry, once again!

As an immediate response, Star Entertainment published a statement to admonish the violence displayed to its artist, asserting their legal rights.

The whole matter was very complicated. First, it was Ning Ran who slapped Ye Meng. The latter then put on a pitiful act to gain the sympathy of others, manipulating the public into reprimanding Ning Ran.

Later on, a video of Ye Meng was leaked, which showed her drinking and having fun at a bar. This entirely disproved her story of being upset and depressed.

Now, with Ye Meng absent from the event, Ning Ran was left to fend for herself against Ye Meng's fans. The comments about her took a turn for the worse.

The former then decided to step in again. Once more, she put on a world-class act, crying in front of the camera while victimizing herself. She then claimed that she was first sabotaged, then reprimanded for no reason, causing her to feel wronged.

Her retaliation was rather effective. After all, she had many die-hard fans.

Netizens were now divided into two camps. One camp supported Ye Meng, while the other supported Ning Ran.

There were more people supporting the former because she maintained a certain level of popularity throughout these years.

Also, she was seen as the victim, when Ning Ran had slapped her. Many who were unaware of the truth, thought that Ning Ran was wrong, especially since she was a newcomer in showbiz.

In a bar at six in the evening.

Ye Meng's team stopped work temporarily as the female superstar was embroiled in the scandal. One of her assistants, Huang Yan, took the chance for a vacation and went out with her friends.

Ye Meng had a very hot temper and Huang Yan constantly felt that she had to act extremely wary, around the celebrity. This was a rare opportunity for her to relax and not be stressed by work.

Just as she was enjoying her time at the bar, a server walked over and told her that a man wanted to buy her a drink.

Turning around, Huang Yan glanced over. The man was not very handsome and he appeared quite stout.

He was also very buff. In fact, he was too buff for her liking. It looks as though his muscles are about to burst out of that suit!

He raised his glass slightly in greeting.

"Tell him that I'll pass," Huang Yan uttered.

"That man has also said that he will pay for your table of drinks. He has also asked me to inform you that he'll allow you to put the rest on his tab too," the server relayed.

This is interesting.

As Ye Meng's assistant, she was used to seeing men who would do anything for a lady.

However, she had yet to meet a man who was willing to spend on her, as she was not exactly the prettiest person out there.

It was part of Ye Meng's criteria when selecting her assistants— they could not look beautiful.

If an assistant looked too pretty, she would steal the limelight away from the celebrity. Hence, all of Ye Meng's assistants appeared quite average.

Even though the man was not considered handsome, he had the necessary features, possessing a certain aura about him. Who knows, he might be a good match for me!

Hence, Huang Yan walked over.

The man stood up, revealing his tall height. "Hello, Ms. Huang. It's a pleasure to meet you."

"Hello. Thank you for the treat," Huang Yan murmured.

“Don’t worry about it. Come and take a seat.”

Sitting down beside the man, she could feel just how buff he was. He’s probably as strong as a bull.

“How shall I address you?” she asked.

“You can call me Qiao Zhan.”

“What a good name. You look very true to your name,” Huang Yan remarked with a smile.

“Thank you, Ms. Huang. I came here to get something from you,” he told her.

Instantly, her cheeks felt hot. Isn’t he moving too fast?

“Will that be alright with you?” Qiao Zhan probed.

“No,” she denied instinctively.

Come on, I’m a lady! How can you be so straightforward and upfront? Furthermore, how can I say yes to such a question?

“Why don’t you name a price?” he continued.

“Who do you think I am?” Huang Yan was visibly annoyed by him. Thus, she got up and prepared to leave.

“Ye Meng is mean. You won’t last long, working under her. Even after you’ve carried out her dirty for her, she will continue to have her guard up against you. Soon enough, she’ll even fire you. All of her assistants have never lasted for more than a year. One day, when she does fire you, I’ll have a job opportunity for you. Ye Meng is not worthy of your loyalty. Name a price, take the money, and go. As a young lady, it’s important that you treasure your time. You shouldn’t be working for someone like that!” he pressed forth.

Huang Yan was puzzled as she heard this. Wait, this doesn’t seem right! I don’t think we’re talking about the same thing.

“What are you even talking about?” she asked.

“I want the video on your phone, and I mean the full video. What did you think I was asking for?” Qiao Zhan told her.

She was stunned. Well, I was right!

Then, she sat down again. "What video are you speaking of?"

"The video that was taken in the dressing room on the day that Ding Mi and Ye Meng argued. I know that you'd recorded the entire thing. I'm fully aware that only a small portion of the full video was uploaded on the internet. It's rather evident, seeing that it has been edited. I'm asking for the full video," Qiao Zhan explained.

"Who are you? Why are you asking me for that?" She immediately grew defensive and wary.

"It doesn't matter who I am. However, I can tell you that I'm from the Nan family. I'm sure that you've heard of how highly they're regarded, in Flower City. If you continue to help Ye Meng, you'll be at odds with them. I suggest that you reconsider your stance on this."

"I don't have any video. I didn't record it," Huang Yan asserted.

"Don't deny it. We know that it's you. I'm giving you two choices now. One, you name me a price. I'm willing to pay you for the video. Or, you can continue to protect Ye Meng, meaning that you'll become an enemy of the Nan family. Remember, Ye Meng is a superstar who has the backing of her fans, while you don't. I must also inform you that Nanshi Corporation owns an entertainment company called Star Entertainment. The Nan family is rather influential in showbiz. It will be an easy job, for us to get rid of someone like you. Even if you don't hand over the video, we will just tell Ye Meng that you've done so, threatening her with it. Ye Meng gets suspicious very easily and she'll be sure to believe us. Eventually, she'll fire you and ensure that your work and personal life are destroyed. I suggest that you give it a good thought and choose wisely."

The man stared at Huang Yan while he spoke.

Meanwhile, the latter fell silent.

"Did Star Entertainment send you here?"

"No, I work directly for the Nan family. However, I can pull some strings to get you a job at Star Entertainment."

"Well, I don't really want to work for Ye Meng either. My plan was to go overseas to further my studies. Unfortunately, I have yet to save enough money, which is also why I was alright with working under someone as tough as Ye Meng. You are indeed right. Ye Meng is very mean and I don't like her! I don't know why someone like her can become a superstar. I have the full video with me. Not only that, rather, I have other videos too. I've recorded all the dirty things that she's done. I'm willing to sell the videos to you as long as you give me a good price," Huang Yan admitted.

"How much do you want?"

“One hundred thousand,” Huang Yan told him.

“Deal,” Qiao Zhan replied.

She did not expect him to agree so quickly. His response filled her with regret. I should've asked him for more.

“I was ready to give you fifty thousand, but I'm too lazy to haggle with you. A hundred thousand it is,” Qiao Zhan added.

“Alright. Transfer me the money and I will hand over the videos.”

“Let's add each other on WeChat. I like your intelligence and viciousness. I think that we can be friends,” he offered.

“Will you really be able to get me a better job?”

“Of course.”

While Qiao Zhan might have agreed, he was quite unsure of his chances of success. Damn it! I shall have to ask for Jiang Zhe's help, regarding this matter.

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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 467-The next day, the full video was uploaded onto the net.

Not only was there a visual output, rather, but there was also a clear, audio recording.

It was very apparent from the video that Ye Meng was the antagonist. She scolded others and was even the first to physically attack the other party.

Once again, the female superstar became a hot topic. She was now extremely infamous.

This time, Ye Meng no longer expressed her views online, as she chose to remain quiet.

Buckling under immense pressure, her management agency made a rather vague apology online.

Following this, Channing published a statement that unilaterally terminated Ye Meng's brand-ambassador contract. They named reputational concerns as a reason, due to the superstar's inappropriate behavior.

Few other brands followed suit in Channing's footsteps and announced that Ye Meng would no longer be their brand ambassador.

Showbiz was a cruel industry. Many people suddenly jumped on the bandwagon as they harshly criticized Ye Meng for her acts. Some even dug up the ugly things that she had done in the past.

Nobody knew whether they were true or false.

However, netizens were left unbothered about the veracity of these matters. Now that the tides had turned, they only cared about following the trend.

In just over a day, the superstar's image was ruined, as she turned into a target of scorn.

On the other hand, Ning Ran was now viewed in a positive light, as she was praised by many.

"Sound of Thunder 2" received the highest viewers' ratings. Soon, it became the drama to watch for the year. Not only that, rather, its ratings were the highest from the past three years, amongst dramas of the same genre!

Ning Ran shot to stardom.

Within a week, Star Entertainment received an influx of invitations from brands who were hoping for Ning Ran to become their ambassador. Many TV shows wanted her on board too, and dramas wanted her to be their lead actress!

Ning Ran would never be able to agree to all of them because of the sheer amount of time it would take.

Nan Chen gave direct orders to Star Entertainment stating that all of Ning Ran's contracts would have to be approved by him personally.

Furthermore, she was not allowed to attend any random reality TV shows. From now on, it was best if she appeared less in front of the camera.

The top management of Star Entertainment did not really understand their boss' instructions.

Normally, when an artist rose in popularity, the team would work around the clock to promote him or her through publicity events, hoping to profit from the celebrity's newfound stardom.

This was because it was difficult to even become famous in showbiz. Furthermore, it was tougher to remain popular long-term.

If they did not latch onto this window of opportunity, it would be hard to reap the profits once her hype had died down.

However, Nan Chen did not want that to happen. Hence, he even rejected the idea of letting her go on some rather well-known reality TV shows. His actions were rather contradictory to the normal business practice.

Only Wang Xiaoou was in full agreement with Nan Chen's idea.

She knew that he did not want to groom a celebrity who could only achieve temporary fame. He wanted someone who would be a classic, in many years to come.

While it was easy to earn money from reality TV shows, participation in such programs came at a huge cost for the celebrity.

Celebrities who participated in too many reality TV shows would ultimately be remembered only for their time in these programs. Gradually, a celebrity's works would be forgotten.

Furthermore, these celebrities would often shift their focus and stop producing as many films as possible or dramas eventually.

Hence, Nan Chen was, in fact, treating Ning Ran like a treasure. He did not want Star Entertainment to abuse her popularity too much for now.

Hence, Ning Ran was made the most available when she was the most famous.

One might ask to what extent? All she did was read books, watch dramas, and scroll through her phone all day. She was not allowed to head out for groceries or shopping because her fans would bombard her.

Fortunately, this period did not last long. She was going to star in a new movie, and the script and production team were ready. They would begin filming next week.

It was an ancient, Chinese movie called "I Am You".

There was a slight element of sci-fi in the movie. It was about how a female scientist became traumatized after losing her child in an accident.

Then, she discovered her other self in a parallel world.

Her other self had a husband, a daughter, and a family, that was identical to hers.

What was different was that she did not lose her child in that world.

Hence, the female scientist turned selfish and became desperate to find the key to enter the parallel world. She wanted to kidnap the child from there to raise the child herself, so as to get over her grief.

Even though it was sci-fi, the message behind the movie was about humanity.

It was a deep movie, and the actors and actresses would have room to showcase their talents and potential.

Ning Ran cried when she first read the script. She had children of her own and she could understand the pain of a mother losing her child.

It was as though the movie was tailor-made for her.

In the movie, she would play two roles. One was the scientist in the real world, and the other was the scientist in the parallel world.

Ning Ran would act out the story of how the former role would kidnap the child belonging to the latter, by attempting to enter the parallel world.

Just as Ning Ran was still bawling over the plot, Nan Chen returned.

It's only four in the afternoon and he's back from work? It's rare that he comes home so early.

Ning Ran never thought that he would be back at such an hour. Hence, was not prepared for his return at all.

Her hair was in a mess and she was still dressed in her cartoon pajamas since she was not allowed to go out. She even had slippers on.

Nan Chen spotted the tear streaks on her cheeks and was shocked. "Who's bullied you now?"

"No, no. It's nothing like that." Ning Ran shook her head.

"Then why are you crying?"

Ning Ran was embarrassed to admit that she had cried merely because of her new movie's plot. Thus, she just denied crying altogether.

"It's rather evident that you've cried. Don't try and tell me otherwise! What's going on?" Nan Chen continued to probe coldly.

"I'm not crying anymore, really!" Ning Ran uttered shyly.

Nan Chen turned and saw the script that she placed down. "Did you cry after seeing the plot? Damn, you are quite the emotional girl, aren't you?"

Ah, shit. He's exposed me!

"So what! I'm an actress. Shouldn't I be emotional and express myself freely?" Ning Ran retorted as she twisted her lips.

Her slight action stunned Nan Chen. He thought that it looked eerily familiar.

Then, he recalled that it was something that Erbao would often do.

So, it seems like Erbao has inherited this from her mother, huh?

"Is there a need to bawl as you'd done earlier? How immature," Nan Chen remarked with disdain.

"You are the immature one! I wonder who had been depressed, writing such a movie. I mean, the female lead loses her child and kidnaps someone else's? Come on! I really hate this lead! She's too selfish!" Ning Ran shouted.

"With that said, the child looks identical to hers. Everyone is selfish at heart. Furthermore, she didn't kidnap the child at the very end. When the child was diagnosed with a rare disease, she even went to the parallel world to donate her bone marrow. If you read the movie script till its end, you will come to realize her kindness and nobility."

Ning Ran was surprised that Nan Chen was so familiar with the plot.

"How do you know all the details?"

"Well, the screenwriter could not come up with a good plot even after a week, so I gave him an idea. It was inspired by our children because they are identical too."

When Nan Chen spoke, his eyes were full of affection and fatherly love.

"So, this is a movie dedicated to our children?"

"No, it is dedicated to you. After this movie goes on screen, you will be famous. Rather, you will become an international superstar. In fact, you will be nominated for many international movie awards, enabling you to start a trophy collection."

Nan Chen described the future as such a beautiful scene. Thus, Ning Ran grew excited at the thought of it.

She always believed in all of the good that Nan Chen spoke of.

This man's thoughts are rather infectious!

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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 468-The next day, Nan Chen was busy right from the morning. He finally managed to take a breather in the afternoon and was prepared to head for lunch.

He was not a fan of deliveries. As long as his schedule for the day was fixed, someone from the Nan family would send his lunch over to the office.

Upon taking a few bites, he placed the utensils back down. Surprisingly, he did not have much of an appetite.

For some reason, he missed the woman's soup noodles.

I wonder what she is doing now.

Upon fishing out his phone, he hesitated. Forget it.

I can't praise her too much. Otherwise, she'll become too arrogant!

Hence, he turned and asked Jiang Zhe, "What's going on with Star Entertainment now?"

Although he sounded as if he was asking about Star Entertainment, Jiang Zhe knew that he wanted to know about Ning Ran.

Star Entertainment was merely one of Nanshi Corporation's subsidiaries and it had its own management team. Previously, Nan Chen seldom bothered with the company.

Nowadays, he would ask about the company's situation on a daily basis. It was all because of a certain artist who was working there.

"Mr. Chen, there's a slight problem..."

"What is it?"

Nan Chen knew that it was not as minor as it sounded. If it were such, Jiang Zhe would not even be aware of it.

Since his assistant knew about it, it had to be something serious.

"There's a video online..."

"Just get straight to the point. Who did you learn your stuttering from?" Nan Chen chided.

“Oh, well—”

Instead of continuing, Jiang Zhe took out his phone and showed Nan Chen the news.

The headlines looked terrifying: Upcoming celebrity stops at nothing to get rich! Forces children to work for money!

The news accused Ning Ran of being someone who would stop at nothing to get money, stating that she forced her children to star in advertisements that required overnight shoots.

The reporters further stated that if her children had refused to cooperate or performed poorly, Ning Ran would burn their bottoms with cigarette butts, making them obey her, out of fear of the excruciating pain.

There were even photos of children’s burnt bottoms attached at the bottom. Some even showed that they were hospitalized after the abuse.

Most of the pictures were fake. There was only one authentic picture that showed the children’s faces. It was from an advertisement for kid’s computers.

Chaos ensued once more.

Shortly before that, the netizens had sung praises of Ning Ran. Now that there were pictures of her allegedly abused children, they began raining down criticism on her again.

Some even accused her of acting cute and innocent. She already has a child and she still acts like a young, pure lady? What a liar!

However, Ning Ran never once behaved as the netizens had claimed, and not once did she intentionally hide the fact that she had children.

However, she did not allow them to appear in front of the camera often, so as to protect them. As a mother, she refused to allow them to be the subject of those keyboard warriors, as well as the victims of the violent abuse prevalent on the net.

The only time they appeared in an advertisement was when the children had requested for it on their own accord. In addition to that, it was Cheng Xiangyun who had secretly brought them to the shoot without informing Ning Ran.

The brand was not very popular and the advertisement was shot a long time ago. She thought that everyone had forgotten about it.

To her surprise, her haters really made the effort to dig into her past.

Nan Chen looked very concerned.

“When did they shoot this advertisement?”

“A few months ago.”

“Take it down from all the available channels. I don’t want to see it again.”

“I’ve done that already. The company wasn’t aware of the relations between the children and the Nan family then. They were equally as shocked when I contacted them and informed them about it. They have guaranteed that they shall cease in publicizing the photos.”

Nan Chen raised a brow in question as he heard this. “They’d paid for the children to be in the advertisement. Why would they agree to your request so readily?”

“I’d threatened to force them into bankruptcy had they continued to advertise those pictures,” Jiang Zhe relayed forth.

Nan Chen nodded.

He knew that Jiang Zhe never bragged. As long as he got the job done, he was not interested in knowing what methods he had used. Who cares if he used a threat or a bribe?

He never had to worry about Jiang Zhe’s competency.

“Mr. Chen, are we going to respond to this?”

He furrowed his brows and remained silent.

It was hard to explain the matter as it concerned Ning Ran’s children. Furthermore, it was a fact that they appeared in the advertisement and they could not deny it.

It was impossible to allow the children to speak for themselves, admitting that they had taken the photos without their mother’s knowledge.

Nobody would believe that. In fact, it would invite more criticism and netizens might even speculate that the adults had used the children to make themselves look innocent.

On the other hand, the adults could not step in to clear up the matter either.

Any explanations given now would merely be seen as excuses.

At that moment, Nan Chen’s phone rang.

“Mr. Chen, it is a call from Old Master,” Jiang Zhe informed.

“Oh, no. Someone must have leaked the news to Grandpa. He is going to be very angry, given how much he dotes on his two great-grandchildren,” Nan Chen lamented.

The atmosphere in the air turned tense once more.

Although he was placed in a difficult position, Nan Chen had no choice but to pick up the call.

There was no way that he could reject a call from his grandfather.

The old man did not say much, as he merely requested for him to bring Ning Ran home for a visit.

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At the Commoner Residence.

Bai Hua’s eyes were red as she wiped the tears from her face.

“They’re so young! How can Ning Ran have forced them to be in an advertisement just for money? Poor little things! How can Ning Ran be so ruthless?”

Nan Zhengde’s face darkened as he listened on.

Meanwhile, Bai Hua continued to exaggerate the story. She knew that Nan Zhengde was furious and she had to grab the opportunity to make him angrier at Ning Ran.

“Alright, that’s enough now,” Nan Zhiyuan uttered, in an attempt to stop his wife.

“Why should I stop? Have I said anything wrong? I’ve heard that she’s even forced her children to become young models, advertising electrical products! On a busy day, they have to change into more than ten attires to stand in front of the camera for long hours. I know that these brands don’t charge by the hour! Rather, they charge by the day. They would definitely try to make their money’s worth by taking as many photos as possible, in a day! I’ve even heard that the shoots would often last till the wee hours of the morning. She wouldn’t even allow her children to sleep even though they were tired! That’s how the little ones got the cigarette burns...”

“Shut up!” Nan Zhengde slammed his fist on the coffee table.

Bai Hua immediately zipped her lips. She only wanted to add to the chaos. She did not want to invite trouble for herself. To do as such would merely make her efforts be for naught.

“What you’ve said are all rumors. Can we really believe what’s on the Internet? All mothers love their children. I believe that Ning Ran would not have done this.”

The person who spoke was Feng Wan, who was a calm-headed person.

She knew what sort of person Bai Hua was. Clearly, something was amiss about the entire situation.

“Mom, you might be right in some cases, but there are many evil women in this world! There are some who will do anything just to earn a little bit of extra cash. If you don’t want me to speak the truth, then I guess that I don’t have a choice either,” Bai Hua retorted.

“How can you prove that your words are the truth? Were you one of the people who were directly involved in the matter? If you were neither involved, nor at the scene of the incident, how do you know that it’s the truth? Ning Ran is in showbiz. It’s natural that she has haters who will stop at nothing to create scandals for her. What’s the big deal about that?” Feng Wan furrowed her brows.

“Well, she shouldn’t be in showbiz then! How can such a woman marry into the Nan family?” Bai Hua took the opportunity to make her point.

“Has she married your son yet? If not, then what right do you have to stop her from doing what she wants? Are you going to support her financially?” Feng Wan retaliated.

“I...”

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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 469-Bai Hua was someone who loved to stir up trouble. However, in front of Feng Wan, she had to be careful with her words.

More than that, Nan Zhengde was sitting right there, which meant that she had to be on her best behavior as well.

Hence, Bai Hua was in no position to contradict anything Feng Wan said, no matter how harsh it was.

“Mum, I’m not trying to go against her. I was just worried about the kids. They are my precious grandchildren after all. I can’t bear to see them suffer.” Bai Hua explained while wiping off her tears, as though she had been wronged.

“Just stop with the act. Where were you when the girl was raising the kids on her own? All of a sudden, you’re their loving grandmother now? Do you think that you’re better than their own mother at taking care of them? Who are you trying to impress?” Feng Wan sneered.

“Mum! Why would you think that? Do I really seem that heartless to you?” Bai Hua asked.

Nevertheless, Feng Wan huffed, paying her no further attention.

“Alright, alright. Please just get out now.” Nan Zhengde ordered.

Reluctantly, Bai Hua stood up and left the room.

Feng Wan remained, as she knew that Nan Zhengde was not referring to her.

Nan Zhiyuan was of the same mind.

That was until Nan Zhengde turned to look at him. Seeing as such, he took his leave, soon after.

“She’s truly ridiculous! I’m beginning to think that her cancer is merely a ruse! It seems as though she’s returned to be a nuisance to all who are around her!” Feng Wan exclaimed.

“The diagnosis was done by some of the country’s best specialists. It’s highly unlikely for it to have been a lie. Besides, you’re an elder. You should cut her some slack,” Nan Zhengde reasoned.

“On the other hand,” he continued, “Her words weren’t completely wrong either. How can a mother use her own children to make money? If she really needed it, the Nan Family could have helped her. Right now, it gives others the impression that our family is incapable of even taking care of two kids! She has even tried to hide this from us. This woman is definitely not as kind as she appears to be.”

Nan Zhengde was furious because this incident had brought utter humiliation to the Nan family.

“She could’ve had her personal reasons, for doing as such. You can’t believe everything that Bai Hua says. You know how she is, after all.” Feng Wan pressed forth.

“It’s not Bai Hua. Rather, it’s all the news that I’ve seen online! Argh!” Nan Zhengde raged aloud.

While the two elders were still talking, Nan Chen arrived.

Hoping that Nan Chen would bring Ning Ran along, Nan Zhengde was greatly displeased when he found that Nan Chen had come alone.

“Grandpa, I have a meeting later so I’m in a hurry. Please just calm down. There’s no need to be angry over something like this.” Nan Chen urged while looking at his watch.

“You are the person in charge of the Nan family. You should know full well how this would affect the family name. How could you have allowed the children to work in such a manner? How much could they have earned? This is simply mortifying!”

Nan Chen could sense the severity of Nan Zhengde’s rage from the tone of his voice. It was a tone that Nan Chen had seldom heard.

Without a word, he went ahead and poured Nan Zhengde a cup of tea.

“Let it all out, Grandpa. I deserve it,” Nan Chen admitted sincerely.

Hearing what Nan Chen had said, a sense of sympathy welled up in Nan Zhengde, as his anger slowly diminished.

Nan Chen was his successor after all; the person whom he had nurtured, his greatest pride within the Nan family.

“I’m aware that there’s a lot going on in the company. Nevertheless, the family still comes first. You can’t just allow that woman to do as she pleases.” Nan Zhengde chided after he calmed down.

“Grandpa, the reason that I didn’t bring her along is that I wanted to talk about this, just between the both of us.”

“Are you trying to defend her?”

“Definitely not. It is without a doubt that what she has done is completely wrong.” Nan Chen affirmed.

“Why didn’t you allow her to explain herself to me then?”

“Her words don’t mean much, since it’s only natural for her to have defended herself. I can only trust the results of my own investigation”

Nan Zhengde narrowed his eyes as he stared at Nan Chen. “Did you find something?”

“When they were doing the commercial, she was not in contact with any of the members of the Nan family. This means that she might not have known of the relationship between the kids and the Nan family. If she’d known any better, I don’t think that she would have done that. The pay for commercials back then was abysmal. She could’ve merely brought the kids to me, naming her price. There was no reason for her to even consider shooting the commercials,” Nan Chen explained.

“As for the rumors online, about her abusing her children,” he continued, “They’re fake. I didn’t even have to investigate this. Even if she were as sinister as you’d thought, she wouldn’t have treated the kids in such a manner. I’ve bathed the children before and

they had no signs of injury of that nature. Those terrifying photos of a wounded kid are all fake. That's not Dabao, nor is it Erbao. I can guarantee that much."

Nan Chen finished what he had wanted to say, as he quietly turned his gaze to Nan Zhengde.

"You'd said that you weren't defending her?" Nan Zhengde's brows furrowed.

"Grandpa, you're a wise and experienced man. You'd know if I was trying to deceive you. I'm not defending her here. I'm merely stating facts."

"You can stop with the wooing. It's not your style. You are Nan Chen, a man with a sharp tongue." Nan Zhengde muttered.

"I'm being honest here. You can easily see through me. I can't hide anything from you, even if I tried."

Nan Zhengde took a sip of tea. "What you've said seems rather logical. However, disregarding whether she had known about the family, I can't accept the fact that she'd allowed young children to partake in such a job. Chen, she's not a good match for you. Let her go."

Nan Chen grew silent.

However, Feng Wan who was listening on the side spoke out. "Didn't you say that you wouldn't interfere with the youngsters' decisions? What are you doing right now?"

"I'm not interfering. I'm simply providing him a suggestion." Nan Zhengde uttered in defense.

"What if Chen refuses? I doubt that you'd sit still and do nothing!" Feng Wan questioned.

"I won't do a darn thing, you old woman! Stop the nonsense!" Nan Zhengde was flustered.

"Oh okay. Chen, you've heard him, right? Your grandpa has said that it's merely a suggestion. Thus, you decide who you want to marry! He won't interfere!" Feng Wan announced as she turned toward Nan Chen.

"You... Are you senile? Why would you say it in such a manner?" Nan Zhengde's voice trembled in frustration.

"I'm five years younger than you. Why would I go senile before you?" Feng Wan teased.

"No one is senile here. You are both old and wise." Nan Chen urged.

“He’s the only old one here, not me.” Feng Wan refused to be addressed as old.

Nan Chen smiled awkwardly in respond.

“Chen,” Nan Zhengde continued, with a stern look on his face. “Even though you’d done well in Vietnam last time, the Ouyang family are not people whom you can take lightly. I’ve been thinking, what if we cooperated instead, as opposed to always going at it. Continuing like such will only serve to bring hurt to our families. If we were to form an alliance through marriage, no one in the province will dare to stand against us.”

Nan Zhengde’s reasoning left no room for contradiction, and Nan Chen understood that.

Nevertheless, I don’t want to marry Ouyang Qing.

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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 470-Nan Zhengde saw Nan Chen’s displeasure, written all over his face.

“You can speak your mind. Don’t just keep it in because of me.” He stole a glance at Nan Chen.

“What you’ve said is right.”

His statement caused Nan Zhengde to be slightly surprised, but he kept calm instead, as he took a sip of his tea, his gaze fixated on Nan Chen.

“It’s certainly true. I’ve recognized the Ouyang family’s capabilities too. However, there’s one variance between our opinions. That is, I highly doubt that we would be able to rid ourselves of enemies if we really were to form an alliance with the Ouyang family.”

Nan Zhengde’s eyes were still on Nan Chen. He made it known that he was still willing to listen.

“The Nan family has always been close with the Ouyang family. To the public, the two families are on good terms. We’d thought so too. However, the incident in Vietnam was clearly carried out with ill intentions. Their malicious acts had almost gotten me into a serious bind. It’s obvious that we’re treated more as imaginary foes than friends to them. They’ve always wanted to be stronger than us.” Nan Chen explained.

Nan Zhengde agreed partially with Nan Chen’s words as he soon stroked his beard before saying, “That’s why we require an alliance. There won’t be a need for imaginary foes after that.”

“That’s too optimistic. With how Ouyang Duo is, even if I married his daughter, he’s not going to treat me like a son, since he already has Ouyang Qi. The marriage will merely

be a front. It'd look as though we'd gotten closer, but in reality, we'll still have to be mindful of them." Nan Chen expressed his concern on this matter.

"We would need to be cautious of internal and external threats by then. With the two families merging, having to keep up a peaceful front while staying alert will be exhausting. It will cause a lot of problems. Grandpa, you've taught me a lot about managing the company, but I'm not good with the intrigues of family politics. The family is safe right now, with you here, but with Ouyang Duo closer, it'll be like sleeping with a tiger. I'll never be able to sleep soundly."

When Nan Chen finished, he stood up and refilled Nan Zhengde's cup.

Nan Chen was calm and collected throughout his explanation. He was not trying to form an argument, but he still got Nan Zhengde to contemplate on his words.

"Chen is right." Feng Wan supported Nan Chen. "Ouyang Duo is a greedy man. He has actually tried to take advantage of what happened in Vietnam, threatening us to marry his daughter. This doesn't sit well with me."

"I'm not saying that the marriage should happen right away," Nan Zhengde uttered. "What I'm trying to say, is that Chen should steer clear of Ning Ran, in case she ruins the family name."

Nan Chen did not respond.

"What are you saying now?" Feng Wan stood up. "She's the children's mother, a part of our family. Don't tell me that you're going to separate them, like those awful people out there."

Nan Zhengde was flustered again, "Can you not spew nonsense, you old woman? Am I someone like that? How would I not know of the importance of mothers to their children? I want Nan Chen to be careful, not allowing Ning Ran to put our family name at risk. Stay out of it if you don't understand!"

"Huh?" Are you saying that I'm nosy?"

"It's alright Grandpa, Grandma." Nan Chen interjected. "I know that you have my best interests at heart as well as the Nan Family. Please stop. I'll handle this situation after I sort everything out. As for my personal problems, I'll think about what you guys have said. I have a meeting coming up, so I'll be leaving now."

"Yes, you should go to work. The next time this old man wants to see you, just ignore him! You're always busy anyway." Feng Wan pronounced.

"You..." Nan Zhengde shook his head out of frustration. If we weren't married for this long, I'd ask you to leave too.

"I'll be going then. You two should simmer down. I know that you've advised me for my own good, I understand that."

"Go, go, go. I know that you'll handle it. Just don't get your image ruined by a woman, that's all." Nan Zhengde waved him away.

Making his exit from the main hall, Nan Chen let out a sigh of relief.

Seeing him come out, Bai Hua immediately approached him. She was waiting there all along.

"Nan Chen, what did your grandpa and grandma say?" she asked.

Nan Chen, however, did not stop as he headed toward the exit.

"You were the one who told Grandpa about the kids and the commercial right? Can you stop messing around?" stated Nan Chen.

"What are you trying to say? This is for your own good! How can a woman use her children to make money? Am I not supposed to say something about this?" Bai Hua exclaimed.

"Then, you should be going to her instead of involving Grandpa. What are you trying to accomplish here?"

"How could you speak to your mother like that?" Bai Hua was agitated.

"I'm already being very polite here. Please don't assume that you can do whatever you want just because you're back. I'm warning you, lay low and stay out of trouble, or else..."

"Or else what? Are you going to send me back to Tokyo? You are my son! I want you to have a good wife! Not a lowly peasant like Ning Ran who already has two kids! What do you see in her?"

Bai Hua's words struck a nerve as Nan Chen soon halted in his stride.

"Those kids are part of the Nan family! How is that a flaw on her part?"

"I was about to say," Bai Hua continued, "Have you done a DNA Paternity Test? Are they really your kids? Don't tell me that you've accepted everything at face value. For a girl like her, who knows what..."

"Shut up!" Nan Chen lashed out.

He was currently emitting a cold and ominous aura. Bai Hua was stumped at this.

Nan Chen was usually intimidating, but it was Bai Hua's first time seeing him rather enraged at an elder.

"You're asking me to shut up? I am your mother! I'd given birth to you!"

"Yes, I know. That's why I'd merely told you to shut up! I respect you, but please have some self-respect too! You're not allowed to interfere with me and Ning Ran anymore. If you still continue to cause trouble for us, you'll have to bear the consequences."

Nan Chen took off after he finished.

"You're all grown up now, huh? Talking to me like that? You wouldn't even exist if it were not for me! You are not going to marry Ning Ran no matter what! You're from the Nan family, for crying out loud! She's simply a clown!"

Nan Chen left Bai Hua blabbering on her own behind him, as he boarded the car and left.

In the car, the driver noticed that Nan Chen was not in a good mood, hence, he remained silent.

However, the radio was not turned off, as a man's voice soon sounded out.

"Sound of Thunder 2 continues to rise in popularity. Unfortunately, the female lead Ding Mi, on the other hand, is knee-deep in more controversies and drama. First, she was exposed to having assaulted other artists, and now, we've found out that before her fame came to be, she was using her young children to make money. When the children refused to comply, she'd burnt them, using cigarette butts. Not only is this immoral, rather, but related departments have also deemed this to be an act of crime involving child abuse. Further investigations..."

The driver panicked as he heard this. Hurriedly, he reached out to turn it off.

"Don't." Nan Chen stopped him.