

Fat Wife 1911

Chapter 1911 - 1911: Too Much to Bear

“Little girl, aren’t you a bit too bold! Do you know where we are! What if something happens to you!” Xia Zhe used Fang Chen’s tone of voice to talk to her.

Qiao Mei was so excited that she rolled around on the bed. She wanted to jump up and hug Xia Zhe and give him a big kiss. She only ever saw Xia Zhe’s gentle side at home. Now that she saw this cold and stern side of him, Qiao Mei liked him even more.

Xia Zhe lay in bed and hugged Qiao Mei, asking softly, “Enough already! Stop fooling around. Tell me about what happened during this period of time and how did you get here?”

“I’m here because I passed the test and qualified to study abroad! I’m the top student in the agriculture faculty! I’m also the top scorer of the college entrance examination in the capital! Don’t you think that I’m so capable~”

Qiao Mei buried her head in Xia Zhe’s arms and said coquettishly.

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“That’s so amazing How should I reward you?” Xia Zhe said as he pondered.

“Reward me... by coming home safely,” Qiao Mei said earnestly as she looked into Xia Zhe’s eyes.

Xia Zhe sighed and hugged Qiao Mei tightly, saying, “I will definitely do that.

By the way, are you here alone? Are your students here with you?”

“Of course I’m not alone, but it’s not my students who have come with me. The children are waiting for me at home,” Qiao Mei said.

Xia Zhe was so shocked that he sat up on the bed. He frowned and asked, “How can you come here with the three children? Did you bring all the children by yourself? How can Eldest Brother allow you to mess around like this! Did you even discuss this matter with the family?”

“Don’t be so anxious. Of course I’m not here alone. Xia He is here with me. Eldest Brother has also arranged for three helpers to come along and the Luo brothers are also here to protect me. I’m not alone so don’t worry. You can’t blame Eldest Brother for this. He’s unable to dissuade me,” Qiao Mei said as she held Xia Zhe’s hand.

Xia Zhe looked at Qiao Mei for a while and then shook his head helplessly. With her character, it was useless even if Xia Wen objected strongly. Even Qiao Qiang could not change her mind, let alone anyone from the Xia family. If this little girl was determined to come here, no one could stop her.

“Eldest Brother is married now! You don’t know yet, right!” Qiao Mei said excitedly.

“With MO Zhu?” Xia Zhe asked.

“That’s right. Also, I called home some time ago and I think MO Zhu is pregnant. She has quit her job and is staying at home to rest. Mother places great importance on MO Zhu’s pregnancy,” Qiao Mei said.

“Then what about our child? Boy or girl? What about the name?” Xia Zhe asked curiously.

He already knew that Qiao Mei had given birth, but with his current identity, it would be too weird and eye-catching if he tried to find out the name of a married woman’s child. He had been suppressing the urge all this time and trying his best not to ask about the Xia family and Qiao Mei.

He had tried to imagine the child’s face countless times in his mind. He wondered if this child looked more like him or more like Qiao Mei, or perhaps the child looked like Xia Fan or Xia Xing.

“We have a boy and his name is Xia Yue. His personality is quite similar to Xia Xing and he’ll definitely grow up to be very naughty. I feel that the three of them are like the three of you siblings. Xia Fan has his work cut out for him in the future! Eldest Brother says that if we have another child, we can call him Xia Yang. Then Xia Xia, Xia Yu, Xia Feng and so on. We will use words related to the weather,” Qiao Mei said.

Xia Zhe smiled and nodded as he said, “This is not a bad idea, but I don’t intend to have so many children yet. It will be too much for you.”

Qiao Mei flipped over and pressed Xia Zhe under her as she said smugly, “How do you know if it’s too much for me or not? No matter what, it’s definitely going to be too much for you to bear tonight!”

Xia Zhe and Qiao Mei were intimate in bed the entire night. The bodyguards downstairs blushed when they heard the sounds coming from the bedroom. They did not expect their boss to be so... aggressive...

At first, the bodyguards thought that Xia Zhe liked men and that he was not interested in women. However, although there were so many bodyguards in this house, they never saw Xia Zhe getting close to anyone, nor did they see Xia Zhe interacting with other men. Therefore, they suspected... suspected that perhaps Xia Zhe was impotent..

Chapter 1912 - 1912: Impotent

“Well... This woman really appears at the right time. I’m just about to give Boss this prescription to nourish his body. Looks like it’s not necessary anymore,” a bodyguard, Da Nan, said regretfully.

Another bodyguard, Da Dong, came to Da Nan’s side and asked, “What prescription is this? What is it for?”

“It works like an aphrodisiac... Our boss has been here for so long but he doesn’t get close to women at all. He also doesn’t get close to men. I suspect that he might have kidney deficiency, so I specially asked someone for this folk remedy. My buddies all say that it’s very good! I didn’t expect that it’s only because our boss hasn’t met anyone he likes!” Da Nan said in annoyance.

“You’d better burn it. If the boss sees this, your salary for this month will definitely be gone!” Da Dong reminded him kindly.

“Has our boss... gone crazy? I’ve never seen him in bed with any woman before. Besides, look at how long it has been. It’s already been a few hours. Is our boss the reincarnation of a fighting bull? What kind of charm does this woman have? Is she better than Miss Su?” a bodyguard, Xiao Bei, asked curiously.

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“I bet you didn’t see that woman’s face just now! She’s extremely beautiful! You can’t find another woman in the entire Country M who’s as beautiful as her! Any single man in the world would fall for her, not just the boss! Miss Su is nothing in front of this woman! She’s not even worthy of being this woman’s servant!” Da Nan said confidently.

“You already have a wife and children, so why are you still looking at the face of your boss’s bed partner! You have dirty thoughts! Be careful or I’ll tell

Sister-in-law!” Da Dong pointed at Da Nan and said while snickering slyly.

“I only took one look! I’m just curious! Don’t gossip in front of my wife! Or I’ll beat you up!” Da Nan said nervously.

“It’s not our boss’s fault. That Miss Su... her looks are really nothing special and she just can’t turn our boss on,” another bodyguard, Xiao Xi, said honestly.

Xiao Bei, Da Dong and Da Nan instantly stiffened. They all shook their heads slowly at Xiao Xi, but Xiao Xi continued, “I’m telling the truth! Why are you shaking your heads! Don’t you think that Miss Su is not good-looking? She looks fine when compared with other women, but if she stands next to our boss, they just don’t look good together. She’s not worthy of our boss at all.”

“Really? Then what kind of person should I be paired with?” Su Rui said as she stood behind Xiao Xi and glared at him fiercely.

Xiao Xi felt a chill run down his spine. He slowly turned around and said, "Miss Su is naturally worthy of anyone."

"Where is that woman?" Su Rui asked.

The four bodyguards immediately stood in front of the door and said, "We're sorry, Miss Su. Our boss says that no one is allowed to step into the villa tonight! We can't let you in."

Although Su Rui knew some martial arts, she could not expose that fact here. Her current identity was that of a weak woman who was Xia Zhe's kept woman. If she exposed her martial arts skills, it would not be good for either of them.

"I'm your boss's woman. If he's in bed with another woman, how is it none of my business!" Su Rui roared as she pointed at the room upstairs.

It was as if Qiao Mei knew that Su Rui was here. She moaned even louder, making the four bodyguards downstairs blush.

Su Rui spat on the ground and said, "Pfft! Shameless thing! Get out of my way!"

"No! Miss Su, you can't go in!" Da Dong said firmly.

Xia Zhe smacked Qiao Mei's perky butt and said with a smile, "Girl, you're doing this on purpose! You're not like this at home. You're clearly jealous, yet you tell me that you don't care."

Qiao Mei hooked her arms around Xia Zhe's neck and said, "So what if I'm jealous? How does that woman know your address? It seems to me that she also has the key to your house. Don't tell me she has her own room on the second floor.'

"You're right, but this is just part of my mission. She and I are partners, so we have to know each other's location to make it easier for us to exchange information. As for her room, I can explain it to you now. Her room is on the first floor, not the second floor," Xia Zhe said seriously as he looked into Qiao

Mei's eyes..

Chapter 1913: Dealing with the "Third Party"

In the beginning, Su Rui stayed here and pretended to be Xia Zhe's kept woman. Later on, Xia Zhe felt that he did not want to be tied down by such a messy backstory. Even if they did not pretend to be a couple, it would not affect the mission. It was better not to do such unnecessary things.

Furthermore, he had come to realize that Su Rui had developed feelings for him. Su Rui seemed to want an actual relationship with him. In the beginning, Su Rui used the mission as a cover for her intentions, but when he gave her no reason to do so, she started doing things which were beyond the scope of the mission.

Xia Zhe could not expose the fact that he was already married. He could only endure Su Rui's harassment and try his best not to have any form of interaction with her. When Su Rui realized that, she kept coming to look for him with all kinds of excuses.

They were mission partners, so they had to know each other's location and whereabouts all the time. In the end, Xia Zhe could not stand Su Rui's harassment anymore and he allowed her to stay in his house so that she would not call him every day to ask for his exact location.

I see. Then how are you going to deal with this person downstairs? Are you going to let her keep shouting like this? Won't the neighbors read too much into it when they hear the noise?" Qiao Mei pinched Xia Zhe's butt and asked with a smile.

Xia Zhe's house was located in a villa estate. The houses here did not have much private land and were located quite close to one another. Although there was some distance between the houses, the neighbors would have a problem with Su Rui if she screamed outside all night.

"Did I not wait upon you well just now? Don't move around, little girl," Xia Zhe said in a low voice.

"The third party has already come knocking on our door. Can't I even ask you for an explanation?" Qiao Mei said as she looked at Xia Zhe aggrievedly.

"Nonsense. What third party? I'm faithful to you and I'm innocent. Don't slander me casually. You don't know the things I've done in order to protect my innocence!" Xia Zhe said matter-of-factly.

Qiao Mei chuckled. Su Rui was still yelling very loudly downstairs and Qiao Mei was starting to feel a little tired. She gave Xia Zhe a push and said, "Go and deal with that person downstairs. She's giving me a headache."

Xia Zhe put on the bathrobe quickly and walked downstairs. When Su Rui saw him, she calmed down. She thought that he came down because he could not bear to let her cry here for the entire night, but she did not expect that he was here to chase her away.

"Miss Su, why are you here asking for me? Are there any urgent matters?" Xia Zhe said unhappily.

"Is that woman with you! Is she upstairs! Fang Chen! How can you treat me this way!" Su Rui wailed like she was in pain.

Xia Zhe looked at Su Rui's pained expression and felt nothing. He even thought that talking to Su Rui was a waste of time. It was such a rare opportunity for him to be with Qiao Mei, so why should he waste his time on useless people?

"What did I do to you? Miss Su, please don't say anything that will cause misunderstandings," Xia Zhe said.

"I'm your woman! You brought another woman back in front of me, and you even... you even slept with her! Where does that leave me! How am I supposed to face others in the future!" Su Rui said in agony.

"Miss Su, I'm afraid you've misunderstood. I've never said that you're my woman. All this while, we're just ordinary friends. Besides, what has my relationship with her got to do with you?" Xia Zhe asked her.

"If... if you don't like me, then why don't you have any other woman all this while!" Su Rui asked.

The four bodyguards were also curious about why Xia Zhe had suddenly brought back a woman tonight. In the past, no matter how beautiful a woman was, Xia Zhe was not interested. Could it be that Xia Zhe suddenly woke up from a stupor today?

“I’m a normal man and I have my needs. Do I need to report to you when I get my needs met? Besides, don’t you know very well why I don’t have any other woman by my side?” Xia Zhe said disdainfully.

Given Xia Zhe’s current status and his looks, there were countless people who would do anything to be with him regardless of the consequences. There were even rich married women who were willing to spend money on Xia Zhe just so that they could get in touch with him more often. There were also many women who waited at the lobby of the company’s office building with business proposals to get his attention..

Chapter 1914: Get Out of My House

Xia Zhe was really tired of dealing with these female clients who came with ulterior motives. When he asked them to elaborate on their business proposals, all they wanted to do was to flirt with him. After a few times, he asked Su Rui to handle all the female clients.

The number of female clients started to decrease day by day. Their enemies had also sent out many women to try to get information about Xia Zhe’s company. Su Rui dealt with all these women and she even managed to obtain a lot of valuable information from them.

Su Rui smiled bitterly and asked, “Then what about me? Who am I to you?”

After such a long time, don’t you have eyes for me at all?”

Xia Zhe looked at Su Rui mockingly and said slowly, “You are not worthy.”

Da Dong almost could not hold his laughter in. The bodyguards' faces started to turn red and they held back their laughter uncomfortably.

Big fat tears rolled down Su Rui's face as she looked at Xia Zhe in disbelief. She knew that Xia Zhe did not have any feelings for her and that they were only partners on a mission. However, this was the first time he had made her so embarrassed in front of so many people.

"I'll ask the helper to pack up your things. Take them and leave tonight. From now on, don't come and look for me unless there are any 'exceptional' circumstances!" Xia Zhe emphasized the word 'exceptional'.

Of course, Su Rui knew what this meant. It meant that she could no longer be by Xia Zhe's side all the time and that he was not giving her any more money. Her enemies from back then would likely come looking for her after knowing that she had been abandoned by Xia Zhe.

"No! Fang Chen! You can't do this to me! I'm devoted to you! You can't do this to me!" As Su Rui spoke, she wanted to pounce on Xia Zhe. Xiao Bei and Xiao Xi quickly stopped her and dragged her outside.

Xia Zhe patted Da Dong's shoulder and said, "Call me if Su Rui comes looking for me again in the future. Don't let her in. There's no need to tell her my whereabouts in the future.'

"Noted!" Da Dong said solemnly.

The helper packed Su Rui's things very quickly. Xia Zhe even asked the chauffeur to drive Su Rui to the city. At this hour, she would not be able to get a taxi. The last thing he could do for her was to help her pay for a hotel room for the night.

After Xia Zhe returned to his room, the bodyguards were all extremely excited.

Da Nan said agitatedly, "Hey! Did you see the scratches on the boss's body!

And so many hickeys! Oh my goodness, that woman is amazing!'

"I saw it too! Will that woman become our new lady boss? Do you think she's easy to get along with? I hope she won't be like Miss Su, so difficult to wait upon!" Xiao Bei said disdainfully.

"With Miss Su gone, we'll have a lot less work to do. For a period of time, I have almost forgotten that I'm a bodyguard and not Miss Su's maid," Xiao Xi said with a sigh.

"Our good days are here!" Xiao Bei said happily.

When Su Rui lived here, she had always considered herself to be the lady boss. She often ordered these bodyguards to help her buy all kinds of snacks and necessities. She did not ask the helper to run errands, but insisted on having the bodyguards drive to the city to buy things for her. Moreover, she asked for one item at a time, with the goal of making things difficult for them.

These bodyguards were all hired by Xia Zhe. At first, they did not dare to tell him about these issues. It was only when Xiao Bei realized that Xia Zhe did not have much feelings for Su Rui that he boldly told Xia Zhe about what she did. Things only became better after that.

After Xia Zhe returned to the room, he did not let Qiao Mei off easily. He unleashed all the longing for her that he had accumulated over such a long time and he only stopped in the wee hours of the morning. He carried her into the bathroom to take a shower together before they went to sleep.

It was not until the afternoon the next day that Qiao Mei woke up. The moment she opened her eyes, she felt as if her entire body was about to fall apart. Her body was very sore all over, bearing evidence to everything that Xia Zhe had done to her last night.

Xia Zhe talked to the directors of the company and asked for a few days off. During this period of time, the general manager would cover his work. He wanted to stay at home to accompany Qiao Mei.

"What... what are you reading?" Qiao Mei asked as she looked up.

Xia Zhe patted Qiao Mei's head and said, "Economics. Are you gifted in this area?"

“You must be kidding me! I own a factory after all! Cough, cough, cough...” Qiao Mei had screamed and moaned throughout the entire night and her voice was hoarse by now. She was so agitated just now that she choked on her own saliva..

Chapter 1915: Local and Overseas Companies

Xia Zhe quickly patted Qiao Mei on the back and said, “Slow down. Don’t choke yourself to death over such a small matter. Otherwise, when the police come to investigate, the two of us will really become famous in Sky City.”

“Shoo, shoo, shoo! It’s not as serious as you say! Tell me, how did you make all your money here?” Qiao Mei said.

Xia Zhe thought that Qiao Mei wanted to learn from him so that she could start her own business in Country M. Therefore, he told her everything about his experience.

If Xia Zhe was running a retail business, Qiao Mei could still give him some ideas. However, Xia Zhe was in the business of investment and stocks and this was something she did not understand at all. If they were talking about the financial market 40 years later, she might still be able to give him some inputs. However, the current stock market was too different from the market she knew in her other life. Furthermore, these were not local stocks in her own country, so it was even more foreign to her.

However, this was the first time she realized that Xia Zhe was quite talented in this field. His current profession had never given him the chance to come into contact with these things and he had no avenue to showcase his talent. Now that he had a chance, he naturally became the center of attention.

“When you go back, you can help me manage the factory. I can just leave everything in your care,” Qiao Mei said with a smile.

“Sure. When the time comes, we can have companies both locally and overseas. We can expand our business,” Xia Zhe said dotingly.

"You're very But you're right. We might really be able to have companies overseas as well," Qiao Mei said seriously after some thought.

Xia Zhe took out a check from the bedside table. He made it out for 600,000 dollars and handed it to Qiao Mei. "This money is for you. The rest of my money is tied up in the company and I can't cash it out. This is all the money that I have. Use it for your expenses."

"What do I need so much money for? I even won more than 500,000 dollars last night. That's more than a million dollars in total! How am I supposed to bring everything back!" Qiao Mei said with a frown as she held up the check.

"Bring the check back first and then get Luo Yu and Luo Hui to withdraw the money separately. You can buy a bigger safe for the house later. This way, you can put all your things in the safe," Xia Zhe said.

"Sigh... I guess this is the only way..." Qiao Mei said melancholically.

Xia Zhe held Qiao Mei's hand and said, "Didn't you also win Yang Tian's vineyard and wine cellar yesterday? You can't take these two things because your identity can't be exposed. Don't come here again in the future. If your identity is exposed, my situation will become even more dangerous and then I won't be able to protect you."

"Who cares about his lousy vineyard! As for the wine cellar, I can build one in my own farm," Qiao Mei said proudly.

"Isn't your farm back in our country? If you want to build a wine cellar there, you have to get approval," Xia Zhe asked Qiao Mei, feeling confused.

"Who says that my farm is back in our country? I also have a farm here and I even have two peacocks inside. I'm even thinking about raising two bears," Qiao Mei said happily.

"You don't have a residence permit here. How did you manage to buy a farm?" Xia Zhe asked curiously.

Qiao Mei told Xia Zhe about the fight on the street and her encounter with John. Xia Zhe was not very familiar with that area, but he could not help but lament at how bold Qiao Mei was to actually dare to work with the local gang.

“Don’t worry, John is a good person. The neighbors in the town all praise him and he’s also a man of his word. I still have Luo Yu and Luo Hui by my side to protect me! You don’t have to worry about my safety,” Qiao Mei said as she lay in Xia Zhe’s arms.

“After you go back, you should learn martial arts from Xia He when you have time. This way, you can also protect yourself. I see that you carry a gun with you. Do you want me to teach you how to shoot?” Xia Zhe said in a gentle tone.

“It’s possible that my marksmanship is not inferior to yours!” Qiao Mei said proudly.

Qiao Qiang had taught her how to shoot a slingshot when she was young. They also had an old pistol which Qiao Qiang used in the past and she had played with it like a toy since she was young. Qiao Qiang was the one who taught her how to shoot. Moreover, in her other life, Qiao Mei loved archery very much. There seemed to be common ground in her two lives.

If Qiao Mei added up all her experience, she may not be too inferior to Xia Zhe.

“My little girl is really amazing,” Xia Zhe said wistfully.

The two of them were intimate again for a long time. After that, Xia Zhe slowly put away Qiao Mei’s clothes. He wanted to keep them by his side..

Chapter 1916: Part Ways

In the end, Qiao Mei left wearing the clothes which Xia Zhe bought for her from the shops. She changed into the clothes reluctantly. She did not feel like wearing them. These gray clothes were so ugly! With Xia Zhe’s good taste, it was impossible for him to buy such clothes unless he was doing it on purpose.

"You... Are you doing this on purpose! You just don't want me to wear nice clothes!" Qiao Mei said in annoyance.

"Of course I'm doing this on purpose. I'm the only one who can admire my wife's beauty," Xia Zhe said smugly.

Qiao Mei had no choice but to wear the clothes which Xia Zhe bought for her. However, with Qiao Mei's good looks, no matter how ugly the clothes were, it would still look nice on her. She looked good in anything.

Xia Zhe hugged her tightly. He did not know when they would meet again.

"If you really miss me, I can come and see you during my school break. Just let others think that the famous Miss Pu has fallen deeply in love with you," Qiao Mei said with a smile,

"You have the children with you. I'm worried that Yang Tian will bear a grudge against you. If he investigates you all the way to that town and sees the three children, he will be able to guess our relationship, so it's better not to take the risk," Xia Zhe said with a troubled expression.

Qiao Mei sighed. Xia Zhe's current mission was really too perilous. At least she now knew which city Xia Zhe was in and it was good enough that she could sense his location.

"The children and I will wait for you to come home..." Qiao Mei whispered.

"Yes, wait for me to go back," Xia Zhe said firmly.

Xia Zhe drove Qiao Mei back to the "Sky Hotel" personally. After helping Qiao Mei pack her luggage, he sent her to the Sky City airport. His bodyguards were all dumbfounded to see that.

The two people who behaved so intimately yesterday had separated so decisively now, as if nothing had ever happened between them.

"You've all been staring at me the entire way. Do you have something to say?" Xia Zhe asked disdainfully.

"Boss, since you like Miss Pu so much, why don't you keep her by your side?" Da Dong asked curiously.

Xia Zhe snorted and said, "Do I like her a lot? I just like her looks. I've never lacked women in my life. Besides, she doesn't look like an indecent woman. It'll be very troublesome if her family comes looking for her. I prefer to just pay her and ask her to go."

Da Dong gave Xia Zhe a thumbs up in admiration and said, "That's why you're the boss! You really cover all bases!"

"Alright, stop trying to suck up. Let's go back to the office," Xia Zhe said expressionlessly.

Qiao Mei first went to North City to change flights and then took a detour around several places before returning home. As soon as she entered the house, she saw Xia Fan and Xia Xing playing with toys in the living room. The two of them already knew how to walk. During this period of time, Auntie Wang and Auntie Cui often brought the children out to take a look at the flowers and plants. This was helpful to the children's growth.

The colorful plants outside could stimulate the children's vision and make them think more quickly on their feet. This was all scientifically proven.

"Thank you for your hard work. I hope they didn't cause any trouble when I wasn't around," Qiao Mei asked as she hugged the two children.

"Speaking of which, it's quite strange. When my child was their age, he would cry like a pig being slaughtered and scream his lungs out if he didn't see me. This behavior only eased after he turned three years old. Xia Fan and Xia Xing are really sensible. They don't cry or make a fuss and they aren't usually mischievous either," Auntie Wang said with a smile.

"It's all because Auntie Wang and Auntie Cui teach them well," Qiao Mei said in satisfaction.

Xia Xing went to a corner where Qiao Mei could not see her and pouted. She thought to herself, "I'm clearly the smart and sensible one! How is it the credit of these two grandmas! Mama is so petty! She doesn't even bother to praise me!"

Xia He carried Qiao Mei's luggage upstairs and the two of them went into the room. They locked the door and started whispering to each other.

"You've been gone for so long. Did you buy me any gift?" Xia He asked excitedly.

The corners of Qiao Mei's mouth twitched twice. She smiled embarrassedly and said, "No..."

"No? Qiao Mei, do you have any conscience! You went out to have fun and you didn't even bring me a gift! What's in that head of yours! Are you kidding me?" Xia He asked.

"I came back in a hurry and really didn't buy any gifts," Qiao Mei answered honestly..

Chapter 1917: Expanding the Farm

"I don't believe it! Your bag is bulging with stuff! How can there be nothing? I can tell the difference in weight when I carry it up. It's much heavier than when you left!" Xia He said as she pointed at the bag.

Qiao Mei gestured with her chin for Xia He to open the bag. Xia He unzipped the bag excitedly and the pile of money inside dropped out. The floor was covered with money and Xia He was instantly petrified.

"Hey! Our farm makes about the same amount of money. Why are you suddenly so stunned?" Qiao Mei asked with a smile.

"What... What have you been doing during this period of time? Don't tell me you robbed a bank? Where did you get so much money?" Xia He looked at Qiao Mei and said with an awkward smile.

Country M was not a safe place. There were squabbles and gang fights everywhere on the streets. The reason why this town was relatively peaceful was because there was John and his gang around. No one dared to attack this place.

It made Xia He feel that even bank robberies were something quite normal here. For this reason, she even specially bought more weapons and equipment. At the moment, the storeroom in the house was filled with ammunition. She had even bought a machine gun and set it up in the room on the first floor. Even if someone came to harass them, they need not be afraid at all.

“Of course not! I went to the casino and someone kept wanting to give me money. How can I reject such a good thing? These are all my winnings,” Qiao Mei said.

She could not mention anything about Xia Zhe, not even to Xia He. She wondered how Xia Zhe was doing in Sky City. She decided to think of a way to sneak out and look for Xia Zhe after this semester ended.

Qiao Mei did not ask anyone to cash the check in her possession. The money she had was enough for them to spend for a long time. Moreover, the farm was doing quite well now and there was no need to put so much money in the bank account. It would be difficult for her to explain herself if someone launched an investigation.

Moreover, the procedures for withdrawing and depositing money were really complicated now. It was better to keep the money at home so that they could use it at any time.

“How are we going to spend so much money? Should we use the money to buy another house? Didn’t John say that money works wonders in this country?” Xia He said.

“Even if we buy a house, we won’t be staying here for long. The house is of no value to us if we have to leave it here, so we might as well use this money to expand the farm,” Qiao Mei said.

“You’re right! I realize that there’s a lot of land on the farm that hasn’t been cultivated and there are also two large abandoned fish ponds. I’ve already gotten the local people to clean up all these spots, but I don’t know what to plant on the land. I’m thinking about discussing it with you when you come back,” Xia He said.

“Let’s find an area on the farm to build a house that’s bigger than the villa we’re living in now. Look at how small our living room is. It’s not even big enough for the three children to run around and play. These are all things that we have to do as soon as possible. Let’s grow some cabbages and potatoes in the empty land. These are things which everyone eats often. We should also grow more tomatoes,” Qiao Mei instructed.

There was still a week to go before school started. Qiao Mei busied herself at the farm, planning the future operations and how to use the various plots in the farm. Her plan to expand the farm progressed steadily. Xia He also found builders to construct the house on the farm. She believed that their plan could see fruition in less than two months.

This time round, Qiao Mei did not ask for any special treatment at school. She turned up at Country Mountain agricultural university when school started. There were not many subjects and most were practical lessons. This was not a problem for Qiao Mei at all.

It was just that there were many male students in the class who kept hitting on Qiao Mei. She rejected them by saying that she did not speak their language. As time passed, everyone knew Qiao Mei as the “mute beauty”.

Which man would want to be with a woman who could not communicate with him? They lost interest in getting to know her, but they did not stop admiring her figure.

Qiao Mei and Xia He used the two fish ponds at the farm to raise shrimp and fish. It was Qiao Mei’s first time and she did not know if she was doing it right. The only thing she could do was to maintain the cleanliness of the water so that it was suitable for the shrimp and fish to grow.

The elders in the town said that the shrimp and fish would be ready for sale after about two months and that the market price was high. Qiao Mei could earn about 150,000 dollars just by relying on two fish ponds..

Chapter 1918: Make an Appearance

The farm was expanded bit by bit and Qiao Mei's business became more and more prosperous. She hired many unemployed people in the town and improved everyone's lives. The town residents looked happy and smiled a lot more nowadays.

Every time Qiao Mei made her way home, the neighbors would come up to her and pass her all kinds of gifts, usually food made by them. Everyone wanted to express their gratitude to Qiao Mei.

"I guess we don't have to cook again tonight?" Xia He sat in the living room and asked with a smile.

"That's right. Look at all these things. There's apple pie, pizza, roast chicken, fries and so much fried chicken. I think we don't need to buy groceries anymore. We can just take a walk around the town every day and we'll have food to last us the entire day," Qiao Mei said resignedly.

"That's great. We can save money that way!" Xia He said.

"It's all because all of you keep using the cars. Otherwise, I won't need to walk home! I also won't have to meet so many neighbors. I think all of you do this on purpose! No more next time! It's not easy for everyone to earn money. Moreover, they're our customers and yet they still give us food. We're really going overboard here," Qiao Mei said.

Xia He quickly retorted, "You can't blame me for this! I don't know where Luo Yu and Luo Hui go in the cars. The two of them are always behaving in a secretive manner. It's not that I don't want to pick you up from the farm, but I

don't have a car. Isn't Butler Xu at the farm? You should have asked him to send you back."

"Butler Xu went to send a client back. How can I disrupt the business for the sake of going home! Forget it, forget it. I'll just bypass the neighbors' houses next time," Qiao Mei said helplessly.

Xia He shook her head and said, "It's no use. Go and take a look in the kitchen. When I came back from the farm this morning, there were loads of stuff stacked outside the door. It's way more exaggerated than what you brought back tonight. Just accept it. If you really can't, then you should go and paste a notice on the town bulletin board and tell everyone not to send us any more food."

Qiao Mei thought about it and decided not to do that. It would be useless even if she put up a notice. Everyone would just think of other ways to thank her. It was better to just do nothing for now. As time passed, they would eventually stop.

After school started, Qiao Mei would head over to Alice's shop every day.

Alice's child had taken over the business and Qiao Mei allowed her products to be sold at the shop. This made Alice's shop very popular with the consumers and business was very good.

This was Qiao Mei's gift to Alice, to thank her for taking them in and allowing them to hide inside during that fight on the streets.

When it was time for class in the afternoon, Qiao Mei walked back to school through the alley. When she passed by the cafe along the way, she saw a familiar figure.

Su Rui.

Qiao Mei did not stop walking. She only glanced at Su Rui from the corner of her eye and continued walking back to school. Why was Su Rui here? Should she not be by Xia Zhe's side? Or rather, she should be completing her mission by staying at Yang 'Tian's side. What was she doing at the main entrance of the agricultural university? Could it be that Su Rui had other missions here?

That night, Xia Zhe had sent Su Rui to a nondescript hotel. From that moment on, she decided to investigate Qiao Mei's identity thoroughly. She wondered what kind of charm this woman had to make Xia Zhe make an exception for her.

She had an extravagant lifestyle and did not have the habit of saving money. She used Xia Zhe's credit card to pay for all her expenses. Xia Zhe had already canceled her card and announced publicly that he had broken up with her. She did not have any source of income, so she found a job near the agricultural university, working as a waitress in a cafe. At the same time, she could also take her time to observe Qiao Mei.

Qiao Mei had no way to communicate with Xia Zhe at the moment. Her current identity was quite an awkward one. If Su Rui exposed her as Xia Zhe's wife, it would cause issues for Xia Zhe. If she took the initiative to contact Xia Zhe, it might also make Yang Tian suspicious of Xia Zhe.

Since Su Rui had already made an appearance in front of her, she would take it one step at a time and see if Su Rui was targeting her or just here to carry out a mission.

Su Rui found out about the small town where Qiao Mei's family lived. She took the bus to the town while Qiao Mei was at school. The town spanned quite a big area and she did not know where to start looking. Fortunately, Qiao Mei was quite famous in the area. The moment Su Rui asked around, someone immediately told her where Qiao Mei's house was located..

Chapter 1919 Secretly Photographed

Su Rui followed the directions given by the neighbors and arrived at Qiao Mei's house. Auntie Wang and Auntie Cui were playing with Xia Fan and Xia Xing in the courtyard. The moment Su Rui saw Xia Fan, she could not stop staring at the child.

The resemblance was too much... How could there be such a close resemblance? This boy looked exactly like Fang Chen. No one would believe that this was not Fang Chen's child.

However, why was Fang Chen's child here? They were told that everyone on the mission was selected from the elite soldiers in the country? Could it be that Fang Chen had contacted his family and then brought his wife and children to Country M?

She must report this matter to her superiors! She could not let Fang Chen do something so outrageous!

Su Rui took many photos of the children and even of Qiao Mei's house number. Just as she was focused on taking photos, Luo Yu noticed Su Rui's abnormal behavior from where he was standing inside the house.

He walked out of the door and looked at Su Rui coldly. Su Rui grabbed the camera and fled in a hurry and he only saw a view of her back.

"Xiao Yu, why did you suddenly come out of the house? Did something happen?" Auntie Wang asked curiously.

"It's nothing..." Luo Yu said as he looked into the distance.

It was possible that this person was a private investigator. Qiao Mei's business had grown very big. In the beginning, Qiao Mei only wanted to have a monopoly on the food and drinks sold in the small town. She did not expect the foodstuff to become so popular and for the news to gradually spread elsewhere. At the moment, the foodstuff produced by Qiao Mei's farm was very popular in the entire city.

Perhaps one of their competitors wanted to check on Qiao Mei's family background and had hired a private investigator to do that. They had encountered similar situations before and Qiao Mei had paid off the investigators to keep her information private.

They could not be too careless about such matters. Back in the country, Xia Fan and Xia Xing had been the target of so many people. Luo Yu could still vividly remember the things that happened when they were babies. Now that they were not in the capital, they did not have that many guards around so they must nip any problems in the bud as early as possible.

"Qiao Mei, I saw a suspicious person at the door today. Female, about 28 years old and about 170 centimeters tall. She was using a camera to take photos of Xia Fan and Xia Xing. I found out a little too late and she ran away after taking the photos." Luo Yu made a phone call to Qiao Mei and reported the incident to her.

Qiao Mei immediately asked, "Do you have any other details? For example, what she was wearing." Visit www.englishreading.com for the best reading experience

"What she was wearing... I think she was wearing a white sunhat, carrying a light yellow backpack and wearing an F-brand watch on her wrist," Luo Yu said as he recalled carefully.

When Qiao Mei heard Luo Yu's description, she immediately stood up to head home. She applied for leave from her teacher and said that she would be absent from classes the next two days. Fortunately, Qiao Mei's results were quite good and her teacher knew that she could cope well, so her leave application was approved quickly.

She immediately drove home. Once she entered the house, she locked the door and drew the curtains. Although Auntie Wang and the others did not know what was happening, they knew that they just needed to follow Qiao Mei's actions.

"Mama, what are you doing? Are we playing hide and seek?" Xia Fan sat on the floor and asked curiously.

"Yes, I want to play games with you! Can both of you go and hide? I'll come around and look for you in a while!" Qiao Mei said to Xia Fan and Xia Xing with a smile.

Xia Fan pulled Xia Xing up and looked at Qiao Mei, saying, "Then Mama, you must remember to come and look for us! You have to count to 200! When you're done counting, we'll be done hiding."

"Alright, go now." Qiao Mei gestured with her eyes for Auntie Wang and Auntie Cui to follow the two children. Only Xia He and the Luo brothers were left in the living room.

Xia He asked softly, "What's the matter? Why do you need to draw the curtains before you can speak?"

Qiao Mei was thinking about how to tell them about this matter since it would involve telling them about Xia Zhe's mission in this country. However, Qiao Mei was worried that Su Rui would do something bad to them.

"Don't bring the children out for the time being and don't let them go near the window. You must not let them go out at all. If you need to run any errands, ask Auntie Wang and Auntie Cui to do it," Qiao Mei said warily.

"Are there people who want to harm them? We have no grudges with anyone here, so why would anyone bully us? Is it John going back on his word?" Xia He asked.

Luo Yu had not told Xia He about what happened earlier, so he recounted the incident again. He was more detailed than when he spoke to Qiao Mei and he reported everything he saw clearly.

Chapter 1920: Meeting

“Do you think this woman’s goal is to abduct the children? Is she trying to extort money? Or... commit murder to take revenge? But we didn’t offend anyone!” Xia He said nervously.

“Everything you mention is possible. I’ll have to trouble all of you to ensure the safety of the children during this period of time. I’ll deal with that woman. Don’t let the children leave the house. At night, I’ll have to trouble Luo Yu and Luo Hui to take turns standing guard to protect us,” Qiao Mei said.

“We will definitely protect the children well,” Luo Yu said firmly.

“Then can you cope on your own? Let me go with you and protect you!” Xia He said.

“I have a gun, so don’t worry. The most important thing now is to protect the children. It seems to me that she’s targeting the children,” Qiao Mei said with a slight frown.

“Then... then you must protect yourself well. You must tell me if anything happens!” Xia He said.

“Alright, I promise you,” Qiao Mei said.

All this planning was still not enough. Su Rui was Xia Zhe’s mission partner. Xia Zhe had told Qiao Mei that as partners, the two of them were not supposed to ask about each other’s personal lives and neither of them knew anything about each other’s past. The moment Su Rui started investigating Xia Zhe’s background, she had already betrayed their organization. This was a very nasty problem that needed to be dealt with as soon as possible.

Qiao Mei would not be able to solve the problem on her own. Since she could not contact Xia Zhe, she would have to contact Xia Wen. Xia Wen knew about Xia Zhe’s current mission. Even if Xia Wen did not have the authority to do anything about this issue, Xia Mao and Xia Jun definitely could get the clearance to know the details about Xia Zhe’s mission. They would definitely be able to make a reasonable judgment on this matter.

She not only needed to protect the children, but also Xia Zhe. She could not let his real identity be exposed and could not let anything happen to him.

Qiao Mei decided to have a talk with Su Rui, not at the coffee shop where Su Rui worked, but at Alice's shop.

At the arranged timing, Su Rui arrived at Alice's shop, dressed beautifully. The shop was currently run by Lucy, who smiled and asked, "Hi, pretty lady. What would you like to eat?"

"Hmph, I'm not here to eat. If it's not because I have to meet someone here, I will never come to a small shop like yours. The food here looks terrible. Give me a glass of milk," Su Rui said arrogantly.

Lucy wished that she could chase Su Rui out. All the food in the shop was delicious. Ever since she used Qiao Mei's products as her main ingredients, the number of customers had increased by a lot. Now, she could make more money in one month than what she used to make in six months!

Alice felt at ease enough to go traveling around the world given that Lucy had a stable income. The entire family was very happy and they had Qiao Mei to thank for this.

Qiao Mei had told Lucy in advance that she was coming here to meet a very important person today, therefore the shop was closed to all other customers today.

Qiao Mei was caught in a traffic jam and arrived half an hour later than the appointment time. The moment Qiao Mei pushed open the door of the shop, Su Rui said sarcastically, "You're really a big shot. You actually made me wait for you here for so long."

"Then I'm really sorry, Miss Su. But I clearly remember that Miss Su likes to hang around and wait. That night, you waited for an even longer period of time," Qiao Mei said with a smile as she sat opposite Su Rui.

"If not for you! There's no way that he won't have eyes for me!" Su Rui said furiously.

Qiao Mei did not respond to Su Rui. Lucy served Qiao Mei her favorite beverage and snacks. This was what Qiao Mei would order every time she came by. After putting the food down, Lucy went out for a walk, leaving Qiao Mei and Su Rui in the shop.

“Miss Su, you got it wrong. He has always been mine. Whether he has eyes for you or not is already a foregone conclusion,” Qiao Mei said calmly.

Since Su Rui had already found out about her, there was no need to hide anything. Su Rui must already know about her relationship with Xia Zhe.

“I thought you won’t admit that you know me. I didn’t expect you to be so sincere about it,” Su Rui said in surprise.

“Well, I never expected Miss Su to come all the way here to look for me,” Qiao Mei said coldly.

Su Rui took out a photo from her bag. It was a photo of Xia Fan and Xia Xing, with both of them facing the camera..