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As expected, all the customers raved about Qin Fang's ramen, especially the sauce, which was outstanding. This was all within Qin Fang's expectations.

Though the ramen was good, it didn't have a very direct impact. In contrast, the delicious and fragrant sauce made its unique qualities immediately apparent from just a light taste.

After finishing the first bowl, the brothers in the dormitory couldn't help but order a second one, only stopping when they were absolutely stuffed.

They wanted to say goodbye to Qin Fang, but seeing how busy the noodle shop was, and with Qin Fang never stopping in the kitchen, and Tang Feifei and Xiao Muxue also incredibly busy, they just waved to Tang and Xiao and left.

The day flew by quickly, and it wasn't until late that Qin Fang, exhausted, returned to the dorm and found his brothers gathered around Second Brother Xiao Nan's latest laptop model watching a movie and munching on sunflower seeds, living the life of Riley.

Normally, freshmen weren't allowed to have computers, but for a rich second-generation like Xiao Nan, that rule was meaningless. If the dormitory management dared to confiscate one, he could easily buy ten more—it wasn't like he was short on cash.

"Fourth Brother, have you ever considered expanding the noodle shop a bit more? I really see potential in it... Just give the word, and I will take care of the financing!"

When Qin Fang sat down on his bed after a shower, preparing to continue his Breathing Technique practice, Xiao Nan came over and sat next to him to ask.

"I don't think that will work! You've seen how business started to pick up today. The three of us were already overwhelmed; if we expand even more..."

Qin Fang replied with a wry smile and shook his head. The noodle shop's business seemed a bit too good, and though it had only been a few days since they opened, their reputation was already solid.

"You're such a fool! I might speak bluntly, don't take it to heart..."

However, Qin Fang's refusal immediately drew disdain from Xiao Nan, "What kind of boss are you? Can't you hire more people if the business is too busy? If three of you aren't enough, then hire three more... You should take a long-term view, and not limit yourself to just being a small-time noodle shop owner and chef. You should see yourself as a manager, only needing to instruct your employees to work, while all you have to do is sit back with a cup of tea and quietly count the money..."

"But..."

Even though Qin Fang thought Xiao Nan made a lot of sense, there were still some practical issues to consider, such as... cost control.

Fang Feixue had only been open for four or five days, and business had only just started to get on the right track today. The joint investment they had made was far from being recouped, so where would there be spare money to hire more staff?

"I know what you're worried about, which is why I've come to you," Xiao Nan said with a smile, "This was my first time eating ramen at your place today, and I can't just eat for free... so I made this when I got back with nothing else to do, here, take this!"

As he spoke, Xiao Nan took out several sheets of paper from the head of his bed, all of which were filled with handwritten words.

"Fang Feixue Noodle Shop Management Guide and Future Development Outline!"

Seeing this title, Qin Fang sat up straight and carefully read through the papers. Despite Xiao Nan's rather poor handwriting, with some guessing and deciphering, Qin Fang managed to make sense of the main ideas.

Xiao Nan, upon tasting his first bowl of ramen, hadn't paid close attention to the flavor because it was so delectable that he couldn't help but eat it too quickly. It wasn't until his second bowl arrived that he truly savored it.

As a second-generation rich kid who had tried various delicious foods from all over Jiangnan, he hadn't had ramen many times, but enough to recognize that Qin Fang's ramen skills were indeed quite good. However, just because he could appreciate it didn't mean others could; at least the other customers in the noodle shop only thought the ramen was firm and chewy, nothing more.

What caught the attention of most customers was the accompanying sauce. With the addition of this secret sauce, the already fresh and chewy ramen was taken to another level.

So, Xiao Nan looked at the busy Qin Fang and an idea began to form in his mind. It was actually quite simple: Xiao Nan would put up the capital to expand the noodle shop, and Qin Fang would contribute the existing shop and his skills, owning a certain share of the business, and the two would partner to run a larger noodle shop.

"Fourth Brother, brother doesn't ask for much from you, just consider it a trial investment before we step into society. You know what I'm like, good at spending money, but earning it... heh heh!"

Such was Xiao Nan's heartfelt confession. As various events arose, the reputation of the second-generation rich had grown increasingly poor in society, and although Xiao Nan wasn't exactly like that, he was still a bit of a spoiled young master.

As the heir who would eventually take over the family business, the brief university life might be his last chance to indulge, and this investment at such a time was merely a trial but also a means to train himself.

Silently closing his eyes, Qin Fang began to ponder the feasibility of the proposal.

The recipe for the secret sauce had come from Mouse Qiang, but with the enhancement from his Intermediate Cooking skill, unless Mouse Qiang's late grandfather climbed up from underground, no one could make a sauce better than Qin Fang's.

If they were to expand the business, hiring ramen chefs, waiters, and even dealing with decoration renovations wouldn't need to worry Qin Fang; he just needed to provide enough sauce. This would ensure that the taste of the ramen remained delicious. Although it might not compare to when he made it personally, it surely wouldn't be too far off.

And most importantly, Qin Fang could free himself from this busy work, and he would have more time to master other, better skills.

Moreover, Qin Fang was still a university student. Classes had not yet started, and he still had some time. In a few days, he feared he wouldn't have any spare time at all.

"Second Brother, in principle, I agree with your plan. However, the noodle shop isn't just mine; two beauties also have a share in it. I need to discuss it with them first!"

After briefly pondering, Qin Fang was ready to agree. The reason Tang Feifei and Xiao Muxue had agreed to start the noodle shop in the first place was mostly for Qin Fang's sake, something he was well aware of.

With Xiao Nan joining the noodle shop, it was naturally good news.

"You handle this yourself and let me know the outcome, whatever decision you make!" Xiao Nan smiled, said simply, and then dove back into the crowd to watch movies and shoot the breeze.

Qin Fang had to postpone his breathing technique practice and decided to call Tang Feifei and Xiao Muxue, summoning them to discuss the matter in person, which was more suitable than a phone call that could never be clear.

"Yo, Feifei, going out so late, hmm? I wonder which wealthy young master has invited you?"

Upon receiving Qin Fang's call, Tang Feifei got out of bed and began getting dressed without a second word, even applying a little makeup. Immediately her roommates started gossiping.

"You busybodies... Hmph, I'm not telling you!"

Tang Feifei glared at her very gossipy roommates, then cheerfully walked out the door. As she was going downstairs, she ran into Xiao Muxue who was also coming down, which dampened her originally joyful mood slightly. She inwardly scorned Qin Fang for being so wooden and insensitive...