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Chapter 408: Better to Buy than to Rent

Old Song listened to Cheng Su's words and could only suppress his own urgency.

"What happened?"

"I told you before that I was thinking about opening a fast food restaurant near the train station, didn't I? Today, I went to look if there were any shops available to take over, and indeed there were, but..." Cheng Su sighed.

"What is it?"

Cheng Su explained the situation with the shop, saying, "That's how it is, a shop with a dark history, yet it's in such a good location."

This was exactly the point she couldn't let go of!

Old Song thought for a moment and said, "Is it the shop on Jianhua East Road?"

Cheng Su nodded and asked, "Huh, you know about it?"

"I seem to remember reading a report in the newspaper, only a small column, saying that a couple had an argument, and the husband strangled his wife to death!" said Old Song.

Cheng Su's mouth twitched as she said, "That's the one, it even made the newspapers!"

Old Song nodded and added, "Over there it seems quite prosperous, and the rents for the shops are not cheap either."

Cheng Su said, "That's true; so the business won't have trouble taking off, but it's just that in a shop where someone has died, it makes people uneasy."

Old Song pondered for a while and said, "This talk of haunted houses and shops is really about how strong people's psychology is. Some who believe in this will even specifically buy a property with a dark past to boost their own fortune. Of course, it all depends on the individual's aura, whether they can suppress the evil. Those who have managed to do so are not few."

Cheng Su was stunned for a moment: "There's such a thing?"

"Mm. Haunted properties, they vary from person to person. Some are born with a strong aura of death and can live in such places without any problem. Take Commander Qi, for example; isn't he a soldier with an intense aura?" Old Song said. "Besides, these houses and such, before you move in, you're supposed to worship the four corners, right?"

Cheng Su looked confused; in her previous life, she lived in the 21st century, unmarried, and she'd never done things like worshiping gods, nor did her family have an altar like others did.

Even after she arrived here, during festivals, every household would worship gods, but she had never worshiped anything. The only times were symbolically worshiping the God of Wealth during the grand opening of two businesses for good luck.

So what was this about worshiping the four corners? What was all that about?

Seeing her clearly confused expression, Old Song chuckled and said, "Anyway, if you're going to rent this shop, just get a Taoist priest or a monk to cleanse the place, and you'll be fine!"

Cheng Su shivered, why did this sound so creepy?

"However, if you're considering renting, it might be better to buy," Old Song continued after a moment of thought.

"Oh?"

"Such a haunted place, if you go to rent it now, you could probably get it for a lower price. But what if you get the business up and running? As time goes on, the rent is going to rise, right? If you buy it, you might get it for even less; whether it turns out good or bad, you've got a shop in your hands. You won't have to worry about someone taking it back just when the business starts booming; that would be the real loss. After all, even the worst things pass. If not in one year, then in ten, right?"

Hearing this, Cheng Su thought it over and said, "What you're saying does make sense."

Right now that shop, only a month had passed since the incident; people surely wouldn't forget so fast. But if time went by and memories faded, who would keep dwelling on that incident? Who would still care that someone had died there?

On the contrary, just as Old Song said, if she got the business going, the rent would definitely go up; it might be better to just buy it. The location was certainly good.

"Alright, I'll talk to Director Luh and see," Cheng Su decided.

And as for the ominous element, as Old Song said, her family had a soldier to stand guard, didn't they? A soldier, and wasn't a soldier's aura strong?