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Chapter 791: A bit silly, you are not allowed to do this in the future

Looking at the young man in front of her clad in military green with a big red flower pinned to his chest, Kang Li's eyes were warm and gentle as she spoke softly.

"Sister, Kang Li, I'll just call you sister from now on, alright?"

Feng Yi stood straight in front of Kang Li with his bag, making eye contact, and then he heard Kang Li say, "Why not, silly boy!"

"I'm very happy."

Feng Yi grinned broadly, "Now I truly have a family. Sister, I'll remember everything you've advised, and I'll write to you and Brother Mo whenever I have the time." Saying this, Feng Yi glanced at Mo Yan.

Kang Li smiled slightly, "We'll be waiting for your letters."

Mo Yan said, "Don't just focus on training and forget to read and study."

Feng Yi grinned, "Don't worry, I can't forget, I'm going to be a general!"

A whistle blew, signaling the assembly of the new recruits.

"Sister, Brother Mo, I need to go assemble now!"

Seeing his fellow recruits rushing to assemble, Feng Yi spoke and suddenly stood at attention, saluted Kang Li and Mo Yan.

"Go, take care!"

Kang Li curved her lips into a smile, nodding lightly at the youth.

Mo Yan said, "Take care."

Watching Feng Yi join his unit and then seeing him queue up with the new recruits boarding the train, Kang Li said, "The Feng family has put pressure on him, but it has also given him the motivation to improve. I hope he lives up to his youth and soars with his dreams while staying safe and sound."

"He will, I believe he didn't choose this path just on a whim!"

Mo Yan, with trust brimming in his dark, inky eyes, looked solemn as the train started moving slowly and eventually drifted further away. He withdrew his gaze, turning towards Kang Li:

"Sister Kang Li, thank you for saving both me and Feng Yi that day, and thank you for taking care of us for so long! Feng Yi said he now has real family. Sister Kang Li, I also want to tell you that in this world, you are my, Mo Yan's, family too."

Both parents had passed away, and those so-called relatives were as good as nonexistent, leaving only his good brother Feng Yi and the person right in front of him to be considered family.

Though his feelings for her were somewhat complicated, it did not stop him from regarding her as family.

After hearing Mo Yan's words, Kang Li was momentarily stunned and then replied with a smile, "It looks like I really do have two younger brothers now; that's wonderful, I'm so happy!"

Mo Yan's lips curved into a faint smile, his expression noticeably softening a bit.

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Before she knew it, Saturday arrived, and after lunch, Kang Li, carrying a bulging travel bag, left her home to fulfill her promise to bring warmth to Professor Luo's family.

"Eh! Shouldn't you be in the lab now?"

After getting off the bus, Kang Li looked up to see Luo Yanqing, her expression not hiding her surprise, which was quickly replaced by sheer joy. She asked knowingly, "Were you waiting specifically for me?"

"Yes."

In Luo Yanqing's eyes, filled with softness and indulgence, he nodded, took Kang Li's travel bag, and said with a lifted corner of his mouth, "I got your call, estimated the time, and thought you'd be arriving soon, so I drove here to wait."

"How long have you been waiting?"

Kang Li felt touched and a bit heartbroken, but she said, "That's a bit silly, don't do it again in the future."

"I didn't wait long. As for the future, we'll talk about that when it comes."

Luo Yanqing spoke with a smile, like a Flower Guardian, watched Kang Li get into the passenger seat, then shut the car door, placed the travel bag in the back seat, and asked, "Is everything alright at home?"

Chapter 792: 792: So what did I misunderstand?

Kang Li replied, "It's going well."

“What happened to Wen Siyuan’s family a few days ago?”

As he drove forward, Luo Yanqing said lightly, “This past week, Wen Siyuan seemed quite down, and although it didn’t affect his work, having worries is never good.”

Getting distracted could easily bring unpredictable consequences to their research work.

“Didn’t Comrade Wen tell you, nor did you ask your godfather?”

“No. When I get busy, I forget anything unrelated to work. Only seeing you now did I suddenly remember Wen Siyuan’s situation.”

Luo Yanqing’s tone was flat. Hearing this, Kang Li deliberately said, “I find your words a bit awkward—what do you mean you think of Comrade Wen’s affairs as soon as you see me? Professor Luo, let me tell you, Comrade Wen’s family matters have nothing to do with me, and neither does the man himself have any ties to me, understand?”

“...”

Glancing at Kang Li, Luo Yanqing knew she had misunderstood him and couldn’t help but smile, “You misunderstood.”

“Then tell me what I misunderstood?”

Kang Li crossed her arms, leisurely looking at the man's flawless profile: "Go on, I'm listening."

"I would never think what you just mentioned. You are my wife, and no other man can have any ties to you."

Toward the end, Luo Yanqing's expression involuntarily turned stern, and his eyes, as if frosted, conveyed a bone-chilling coldness.

Noticing the change in his expression, Kang Li suppressed a smile, though she seemed completely unaware as she said, "Aren't you being a bit unreasonable? I am still my father's daughter, my brothers' sister, and mother to our Ruirui and Hanhan. They are the same gender as you, you know!"

Hearing this, Luo Yanqing realized his reaction and immediately burst into an uncontrollable cough. Before he could speak, Kang Li's laughter rang out crisp and pleasant: "Choked you, didn't I? Haha...."

Realizing his wife was teasing him, Luo Yanqing's ears turned inevitably red, and the temperature on his handsome face gradually rose.

"Ah! Our Professor Luo is embarrassed, isn't he?"

Kang Li's mischievous fox-like eyes sparkled as she teased, "Luoluo, how can you be so cute?"

“Just keep teasing me now,” he said.

As the car entered the premises, Luo Yanqing gave Kang Li a meaningful look. Seeing this, Kang Li immediately sounded the alarm inside her head—was he subtly figuring out how to turn the tables on her?

“Are you resting in my dorm or going to the godfather’s office to sit for a while?” As the car steadied, Kang Li got down and heard Luo Yanqing’s offer, she shook her head: “The godfather has work; I won’t disturb him right now.”

“Then let’s go to my dorm.”

Once in the dorm, Luo Yanqing pinned Kang Li against the door with an intense, lingering kiss.

“You rest, I’ll be back once work is over.”

After the kiss, Luo Yanqing held Kang Li for a while, reluctantly releasing his embrace.

“Okay.”

As she saw Luo Yanqing to the door of the dorm, watching the man stride away, Kang Li's eyes smiled yet also showed helplessness: Did not expect you to be such a clingy one!

It's not like we won't see each other again; look at how he was when he left, his gaze almost pulling threads, and he kept looking back every three steps as if afraid she would disappear.

Even as she quietly complained, the sparkle in Kang Li's eyes made it evident she was in a good mood.

By mid-afternoon, around three or four o'clock, Kang Li, finding it a bit boring in Luo Yanqing's dorm, stood up, locked the door, and thought to go out for a stroll, but coincidentally ran into Shen Yun just downstairs.

Chapter 793: If You're Sick, Take Medicine

Both of them saw each other, and Kang Li, out of politeness, naturally did not pretend not to see. She stopped two or three steps away from Su Man, smiled, and said, "Comrade Shen has been about three or four months along, hasn't she?"

Glancing at Shen Yun's obviously bulging belly, Kang Li's expression was filled with goodwill, but Shen Yun responded coldly and indifferently, grunting "Hmm" and said, "This is a research institute, not a place where just any Tom, Dick, or Harry can come."

With these words, Shen Yun, with a hint of sarcasm, added, "You've been married to Professor Luo for more than two years now, haven't you? Why is there still no happy news? Could it be that you are a hen that doesn't lay eggs? I just happened to overhear this—apparently, the old lady in your country family says this about her daughter-in-law when she doesn't see any grandchildren after a few years!"

Stroking her protruding belly, Shen Yun's eyes and brows betrayed a touch of smugness: "Do you think my belly is doing well? First, it was my Gian, and now I'm pregnant with a second child; sometimes I think it's so helpless. I had no intention of getting pregnant again, but it just happened. If you count the time, I've been with Director Xiao even longer than you've been with Professor Luo."

"So, Comrade Shen is just a hen! I just realized that, sorry, only chickens lay eggs, we are not the same species, I wouldn't compare myself with a chicken."

What kind of person is this?

She had stopped out of politeness to greet her, but could this person be a mad dog? Being unaware of what politeness is, not only did she mock her but also insinuated that her Professor Luo was inadequate. A mad dog indeed, she had now witnessed it!

"Who did you call a hen?"

Shen Yun's complexion instantly turned ugly.

"Wasn't it you who said it yourself? What, does Comrade Shen have a fish memory?"

Kang Li maintained her smile throughout, and seeing this, Shen Yun found it exceedingly irritating. Unable to restrain herself, she repeated her earlier insult to Kang Li: "You've been married to Professor Luo for over two years and still haven't gotten pregnant. Didn't I rightly call you a hen that doesn't lay eggs?"

Kang Li laughed, "Listen, isn't that you admitting you're a hen yourself? Why are you slandering me here?"

"You. "

Pointing at Kang Li, Shen Yun's face became even more unsightly: "You have no shame!"

"Comrade Shen, you're being so absurd, how am I shameless?"

Kang Li crossed her arms, her expression casually serene, her eyes as still as a calm lake, emotionless, staring straight into Shen Yun's eyes.

"You just have no shame!"

Such a nice girl, marrying who knows what for a second marriage, she couldn't believe there was no ulterior motive.

"Comrade Shen, your vocabulary is really poor. It really makes me wonder how you managed in college." Saying this, Kang Li took a step, preparing to leave, but suddenly, Shen Yun burst out, "You are not a good person, marrying Professor Luo, you must be planning to steal his research achievements!"

"If you're sick, take some medicine."

So boring!

Director Song and two other leaders from the institute just happened to walk by and heard what Shen Yun said, their expressions involuntarily changed.

"Li Bao, when did you get here?"

Seeing Kang Li looking over, Director Song immediately adjusted his facial expression and asked with a smile.

"About two o'clock."

Kang Li responded.

Director Song introduced Kang Li to the two comrades beside him: "This is Kang Li, Luo Yanqing's spouse, and the goddaughter recognized by me and Comrade Qi."

Kang Li: "Hello to both comrades."

"It should be us greeting this little comrade. You are the pride of our nation."

Chapter 794: Just So Damaging

The speaker was a leader with the surname Li standing next to Director Song. He smiled at the middle-aged comrade beside him and said, "Old Cui, don't tell me you still haven't recognized her?"

Comrade Xiao Kang is not only Comrade Luo Yanqing's spouse and Old Song's goddaughter, but she's also an outstanding athlete. Previously, Comrade Xiao Kang won four gold medals for our country at the international competition all by herself, and then she clinched another five at the North City event. Pretty impressive, huh?"

"I did think she looked familiar, but it's just that my brain reacts too slowly. I wasn't confident in my recognition after deliberating for so long, so thanks to Old Li here for reminding me, I finally recognized her!"

The leader surnamed Cui said this and glared at Director Song, "Old Song, you really are being sneaky, you just forgot to introduce Comrade Xiao Kang's athletic background to me and Old Li?" It was obvious that he was feigning annoyance.

Director Song chuckled, "I thought you all knew." His gaze shifted back to Kang Li, and Director Song asked, "I see Comrade Shen doesn't look well, did you two have a quarrel?"

"Director, this isn't just any ordinary unit, how can we let any Tom, Dick, or Harry in?"

Today, Shen Yun seemed to have forgotten her brain. Not only was she the first to accuse, but she also likened Kang Li to a street cat or dog, right in front of the three leaders who all knew of Kang Li's multiple identities. It was a sign of questionable intelligence!

And yet, she was a researcher of the institute.

Not to mention Director Song's disappointment in her due to his relationship with Kang Li, even the leaders surnamed Cui and Li looked at Shen Yun with displeasure.

"Actually, Shen Yun and I didn't have much of a... dispute. It all started when I felt a bit bored in my spouse's dormitory and thought of walking around. I happened to meet Shen Yun, and since we are acquainted, I greeted her and asked if her child was already three or four months old,

But perhaps due to the emotional instability of pregnancy, she called me a hen that cannot lay eggs, and likened me to a street cat or dog. I didn't want to argue with Shen Yun,

After all, she's a pregnant woman, and I naturally had to be more polite in my words. Just then, Shen Yun seemed to think differently and suddenly raised her voice, accusing me of being a villain... The three leaders must have heard the last part of Shen Yun's accusation earlier."

Shen Yun's brain seemed to be back in action, realizing her words against Kang Li had been inappropriate. Now, feeling a bit uneasy, she defended herself in front of the three directors, "She called me a hen!"

"Did I say that about you, Shen Yun? I was only responding to your calling me a hen that can't lay eggs, to say that we're not the same species, after all, how can humans lay eggs? Isn't that right, all three leaders?"

Director Song wanted to laugh but held it back due to the circumstances.

The leaders surnamed Cui and Li were the same.

No one said a word, nor did they look at Shen Yun.

"That's what you meant."

Shen Yun knew she had lost a lot of face, but she was not willing to give up and was still "struggling." Moreover, your exact words were, "So Comrade Shen is a hen, huh!"

"I deduced it from what you said about me. Is that my fault? Only chickens lay eggs, whereas I'm definitely a beautiful young girl. What do I have to do with chickens at all?"

Blinking her eyes, Kang Li looked perfectly innocent.

Shen Yun: "Shameless! You're already married and a woman, yet here you are still calling yourself a beautiful young girl. I've never seen a woman as shameless as you!"

Chapter 795 Disgust

Kang Li: "I'm twenty years old this year, and I'm so beautiful, so just because I'm already married, I can't be called a beautiful girl? Besides, this is what my dear Professor Luo said, oh! He said I'm a beautiful girl, so it must be true. I never refute what my dear Professor Luo says."

"You..."

The hand, once retracted, pointed at Kang Li again.

"Stop with the 'you you you' and 'me me me,' I never intended to argue with you, nor do I want to waste the leaders' time with meaningless talk. But you'd better stop pointing your finger at people, it's very impolite."

As she spoke, Kang Li turned to Director Song and the others: "You leaders are busy, I'll be heading back to my lover's dorm." Her desire to take a walk outside had vanished, and she decided to just rest in the dorm instead.

As she turned to leave, Kang Li's gaze fell back on Director Song: "Godfather, when Yanqing gets off work, I'll have him accompany me to bring you something."

Director Song smiled and nodded: "Alright." After Kang Li left, the leader with the surname Cui looked at Director Song: "You've chosen a good goddaughter, making me, Old Cui, truly envious and jealous!"

The leader with the surname Li echoed: "Indeed enviable and jealous!"

"Then just go ahead and be envious and jealous."

With that, Director Song turned his gaze to Shen Yun: "Comrade Shen, since you're off this afternoon, you should rest well in the dorm. As for your claim that Comrade Kang Li is a bad person, and the things you said after, I can tell you very clearly that Comrade Kang Li was recommended by the organization to help Comrade Luo Yanqing. There is no issue with her personal situation or family members. I hope you won't attack an innocent person again because of your personal emotions."

As soon as he had spoken, Director Song, along with the leaders surnamed Cui and Li, stepped away and left.

Shen Yun stood still for a while, her complexion pale, looking down at her protruding belly with pure disgust in her eyes.

She hadn't planned on having another child after remarrying, even the son Jian, if possible, she would rather not have been pregnant with or given birth to.

Because, including the one inside her now, none were wanted by her.

Yet, accidents kept happening to her, one after another.

When she was pregnant with Jian, she only found out after more than two months, the same for this current pregnancy, making the risk too great if she wanted to terminate it.

And she didn't want to risk her own life.

Therefore, the child in her belly had to stay, but Shen Yun was extremely annoyed with her current situation, or more precisely, with her own body's irregularity.

Her periods were unpredictable, sometimes absent for two or three months, sometimes occurring twice in a month, leading her to get pregnant without realizing in time, and by the time she did, it was too late to do anything because of the advanced stage.

At the same time, Shen Yun was full of resentment towards her husband, Xiao Jin.

Why did the two of them have to do it?

Now she had to work while pregnant.

"Shen Yun!"

A familiar voice reached her ears, Shen Yun raised her eyes and saw it was Xiao Jin, her eyebrows furrowing: "Why are you here?"

"I came to see how you're doing."

The person speaking was Xiao Jin, Shen Yun's husband, holding two net bags, one filled with apples and bananas, and the other with malt extract, snacks, and other food items—clearly bringing things to nourish Shen Yun's health.

"You really came to see the child in my stomach, right!"

Said irritably, Shen Yun walked into the dormitory building.

Xiao Jin hurriedly followed, saying with a smile: "You are the mother of the child, so coming to see you is like seeing the child. You are much more important than the child." This child was unexpected, but now that it was there, he was happy about it.

Chapter 796: 796: What Does Someone Else's Business Have to Do With You?

"Put the things down and go back," he said.

As soon as Kang Li entered Shen Yun's dormitory and before he could sit down, Shen Yun started to send him away.

Upon hearing this, Kang Li paused, then smiled and said, "There's no hurry, I'll stay and chat with you for a bit since I'm already here."

“Suit yourself.”

Shen Yun showed no emotion, picked up a book, lounged at the head of the bed, and started flipping through it, pointedly ignoring Kang Li.

Everyone else in the group was at work. Considering that she was pregnant, the team leader allowed her to rest for half a day on Saturday. Actually, given her four-months-pregnant belly, she didn't find working too tiring, but she saw no reason to refuse some rest.

As for why she didn't want to return to the large courtyard, one reason was her reluctance, and the other was that she found it bothersome.

After a while, in a bid to make conversation, Kang Li asked, “How is the baby doing?”

“Not good, not good at all; I almost lost it from getting annoyed!”

Shen Yun threw the book on the bed and glared at Kang Li, “What should I do? Do you want to go stand up for your son?”

“Is it that work isn't going smoothly?”

With a gentle smile, Kang Li said, "If you hit a rough patch at work, you can speak to your leader properly. You'll eventually get through it."

"Your son got upset because of a Vixen. Go settle the score with her now, or just leave!"

"I don't know what you're talking about. Who is the Vixen? What happened between you two?"

"Kang Li, you know her, she's the Vixen. Before you came along, she upset your son, and I'm feeling uncomfortable about it even now!"

"Are you sure Comrade Kang Li upset you?"

Kang Li furrowed his brow, "In my memory, Comrade Kang Li is gentle and intellectual, kind to everyone. She doesn't seem like someone who would bully others."

"What do you mean? Are you saying I'm lying or making a fuss? Or are you smitten by that Vixen, thinking she should be your wife instead of me, just an outsider?"

Taking advantage of her pregnancy, Shen Yun became unreasonable. She glared at Kang Li: "Are you going or not?"

“You should know that I’m not someone who favors relatives over justice. If what you say is true, I don’t mind helping you confront Comrade Kang Li. But if you are distorting the truth, then let me tell you, I’m not going to embarrass myself.”

Kang Li was serious as he said, “Being unreasonable is like putting your face out there to be stepped on. Is that what you want, or would you rather see me like that?”

Shen Yun said, “What does being reasonable or not have to do with it? All I said was that she can’t lay eggs, and she retorted that I’m the one who can’t lay eggs. How could I not be angry?”

“You...”

Kang Li looked at her incredulously, “Comrade Shen Yun, you’re an intellectual. How could you say such a thing? Don’t you feel vulgar? You should realize you’re insulting someone. Besides, what do her affairs have to do with you?”

“Are you blaming or criticizing me now?”

Shen Yun’s face grew dark as she glared intensely at Kang Li.

“I’m trying to make you see your place. Don’t you think that what you said was inappropriate?”

Kang Li got up from the chair and walked around the dormitory, rubbing his forehead as he faced Shen Yun, "Why would you say such a thing? Did Comrade Kang Li offend you?"

Instantly, Shen Yun was speechless!

How could she tell him... that she and the Comrade Kang Li he mentioned had an animosity that involved a man, and that this man was his husband...

She couldn't say it; she couldn't reveal it, or else he would surely think even less of her!

Turning around, she lay on her side on the bed and no longer faced Kang Li.

Chapter 797 Revisiting Old Matters

"Get up, I'll go with you now to apologize to Comrade Kang Li. Don't wait until Kang Li's partner finds out and comes after you."

Standing by the bed, Xiao Jin took a deep breath, and once his emotions were more or less adjusted, he said indifferently.

Shen Yun said, "Don't dream, I'm not going."

Xiao Jin said, "I'm here now, I'll go with you to apologize, but are you sure you can handle Kang Li's partner by yourself if I go back?"

"Mind your own business!"

She simply didn't believe that Luo Yanqing could do anything to her.

In her heart, Shen Yun completely rejected her husband Xiao Jin's goodwill and realized at that moment how foolish and thoughtless her words had been when she had encountered Kang Li downstairs in the dormitory building.

At this moment, she couldn't help but reflect, wondering whether she had been devoid of reason or had her mind suddenly filled with nonsense, to have spoken such unbecoming words without any self-awareness.

But what was done was done, and if asked whether she regretted it, the answer was definitely yes.

However, she didn't regret targeting the 'vixen'; she regretted having spoken such mindless words that lowered her own status.

If she had the chance to do it over, she would definitely use her speaking skills to crush the other person's dignity into the ground!

Yet, Shen Yun thought this was all well and good, not realizing that with the arrogance and low EQ inherent in her, what speaking skills did she know?

And if she really knew how to speak, she wouldn't have confronted Kang Li while pregnant, using the phrase "a hen that doesn't lay eggs" as an insult.

What happened then?

She didn't manage to shake Kang Li, but Kang Li successfully retorted with sarcasm.

She had, in effect, verified Xiao Jin's words that she had presented her face for someone to step on.

"Are you really not going to apologize to Comrade Kang Li?"

Suppressing his discomfort, Xiao Jin asked Shen Yun once again.

"I've told you, it's none of your business; are you deaf, or do you just not understand?"

So annoying!

Shen Yun sat up with a cold face, her eyes filled with impatience as she looked at Xiao Jin: "Didn't I tell you when we got our marriage certificate that I didn't want to have more children?"

Xiao Jin didn't show any surprise at the change of topic. He nodded lightly, "You did say that."

A bit puzzled, he didn't understand why she was bringing this up now.

Shen Yun asked, "And did you agree?" are published on

"Yes, I agreed. But why are you bringing up what was said in the past? What are you trying to say?"

With a frown, Xiao Jin looked straight into Shen Yun's eyes, naturally aware of her impatience.

"Since you agreed to it, why did you still let me get pregnant?"

As if she had found an outlet, Shen Yun asked with tear-filled eyes, "Don't you know how busy I am with work? Don't you know how important my job is to me?"

Now, you've made it so I have to work with a belly, and because I have to have a child for you, people compare me to a hen, and I've swallowed enough anger. You're not helping me get justice but instead, you want me to apologize to them. Do you even care about me?"

"Can you talk some sense?"

Xiao Jin's eyes remained calm as he said, "We're husband and wife, and what we did was consensual and legal. I never forced you, and the most crucial point is that I took precautions. This, you cannot tell me you were unaware of, can you?!"

Since we both know this, but you still became pregnant, it means the child was meant to come. If you had found out earlier and didn't wish to keep it, I would have respected your decision. But given that you don't even keep track of your own menstrual cycle, how could I, a man, possibly know about your pregnancy?"

"Are you trying to shift the blame?"

Shen Yun glared at Xiao Jin furiously, "No matter how you put it, my getting pregnant is your fault! Since it's too late to do anything, I can only have the baby. Instead of comforting me, you're just making me angrier. Don't you consider me your wife?"

Chapter 798 Disappointment

Xiao Jin felt that Shen Yun was being entirely unreasonable. She was clearly a highly educated woman, but at this moment, she was acting like a shrewish countrywoman—unreasonably seeking trouble for no reason. Watching her stand there, he felt an unfamiliarity that was particularly striking, and he even doubted... Was this the graceful and poised woman he had met during the matchmaking?

"What is that look in your eyes?"

Perhaps the emotions had been too clearly written on Xiao Jin's face, making Shen Yun feel embarrassed: "Are you despising me? Speak up!"

"I don't want to argue with you."

The person he was facing was a pregnant woman, and this pregnant woman was his wife. Xiao Jin's self-restraint wouldn't allow him to argue here.

"Get out! I don't want to see you!"

Pointing at the door, Shen Yun's emotions surged.

She felt despised!

She, a returnee from overseas and a scientific researcher, had been despised by her own husband... This was not what Shen Yun wanted. She did not like him, let alone love him, but she wouldn't allow him to despise her either.

After all, on what grounds?

Was his background better than hers?

He was just a graduate from a domestic university, just a TV station director. What gave him the right to despise her?

Xiao Jin didn't make a sound. He only gave Shen Yun a deep look, then turned around and left the dormitory.

He closed the door behind him casually, but he didn't leave right away.

"Wuu wuu..."

Separated by a door, Shen Yun's crying could be heard.

Xiao Jin stood outside the door for quite a while. He took out a cigarette, held it between his fingers, lit it, and walked to the staircase where he paused. After a moment, he finally went downstairs, standing by the flowerbed beneath the dormitory building.

His eyebrows tightly knit, Xiao Jin felt increasingly stifled the more he thought about the words Shen Yun had just said.

As for having a child after remarriage, he truly didn't mind; after all, he already had his daughter Tongtong, and his wife had a son by her side. As a couple, they could be said to have both a son and a daughter. But when their mutual child came unexpectedly, and she worried about the risks of an abortion, they decided to keep the baby.

These were all things they had agreed upon, yet today she had let her emotions run wild, picking faults for no reason until she was uncomfortable, throwing a temper tantrum at him, picking fights without reason, blaming him...

He was truly disappointed.

After a long time, Xiao Jin sighed quietly.

Just leaving like this definitely wasn't appropriate.

Pursing his lips, Xiao Jin sat down on a bench nearby, lit the cigarette in his hand again, and started smoking.

Looking on, he was enveloped in an air of melancholy.

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"It's almost time to clock out."

Glancing at the time on his watch, Kang Li capped his pen and closed the black leather notebook in front of him. After a quick personal tidy-up, he turned and left the dormitory.

"Comrade Kang Li..."

Xiao Jin stood up and was about to return to Shen Yun's dormitory when he raised his eyes and saw Kang Li. He was momentarily stunned, then greeted him politely.

However, Kang Li was looking down and didn't notice Xiao Jin immediately. Hearing someone calling what seemed to be her name, she then turned to him: "Oh, it's Comrade Xiao. I didn't expect to run into you here."

"I came to bring Shen Yun something."

Xiao Jin truly felt sorry for Kang Li. No matter how he and the Station Chief tried to persuade her, they couldn't keep Kang Li working at the TV station. He actually felt quite defeated about it.

Not to mention anything else, just the appearance of the person in front of him—working as a host for any show on the TV station would make the program popular.

Her features were delicately picturesque; her skin was fair, and her sense of fashion was impeccable. Even a simple white blouse would be donned with a unique charm by her. And at that moment,

she was wearing a plain, elegant long dress with a sky-blue thin cardigan draped over it, exhibiting an incomparable beauty, and exuding an ethereal vibe, yet without losing grace and intellect.

Chapter 799: Apart from Envy, There is Only Envy

Looking at Kang Li's smile, Xiao Jin unconsciously thought of the word "sweet."

His cheeks felt warm, and Xiao Jin suddenly snapped back to reality.

While everyone appreciates beauty, Xiao Jin knew very well that his admiration for Kang Li was purely that, devoid of any romantic feelings.

"I see, you're busy then, I'll go pick up my dear Professor Luo from work."

Kang Li's demeanor was casual as she spoke, preparing to leave.

"Comrade Kang!"

Seeing Kang Li about to go, Xiao Jin hurriedly called her back.

"Do you need something, Comrade Xiao?"

Kang Li looked at him, puzzled.

"I'm apologizing on behalf of my wife, Comrade Kang, I'm really sorry. My wife might have offended you today because she is pregnant and her emotions are unstable; please forgive her."

With an apologetic expression, Xiao Jin bowed to Kang Li: "Sorry."

"Strictly speaking, it shouldn't be Comrade Xiao apologizing to me, but since spouses are united as one, I'll accept your apology."

Kang Li didn't shy away, her smile fading as she spoke lightly: "Actually, your wife and I have no real grievances. But I would like you to tell her from me, to live her own life well, not to always look for something better, ignoring what she already has."

Xiao Jin didn't quite understand but didn't ask Kang Li for clarification, nodding instead: "I will convey your message. However, could you not be so formal with me? Although we're no longer colleagues, we have known each other and live in the same compound. We will encounter each other often in the future, so there's no need for formalities, alright?"

"No problem."

Kang Li nodded with a smile: "Then you're busy, Comrade Xiao. I won't stay here any longer."

But as Kang Li was about to turn around and leave, she saw Luo Yanqing approaching her from a distance. She stood still, her brows and eyes curving lightly, lips drawing a faint arc as she awaited her dear Professor Luo's approach.

After taking a few steps, Xiao Jin sensed the sweet and tender atmosphere behind him and turned his head to look. He saw a man with a tall and upright posture, whose usually indifferent and cold eyes were now filled with tenderness and affection.

Before he reached the woman, the man stretched out his hands, and the next moment, the woman stepped lightly, like a butterfly, into the man's embrace.

Catching the woman, the man's handsome, cool face bloomed with a smile as he held her tight and asked, "Why aren't you resting in the dormitory?"

"I came to pick you up from work, are you happy?"

The woman's voice was sweet and delightful to the ear.

To avoid mutual embarrassment, well, his own embarrassment, Xiao Jin averted his gaze and continued on his way.

Envious?

Yes, he was envious. He envied the way the two interacted, warm and romantic, yet he could only envy them.

The reason?

Even though he hadn't seen the look on the woman's face when she saw her beloved, from the tone of her voice and her laughter, he could easily imagine that the moment he entered her sight, her eyes must have been shining, as if filled with glimmering stars.

And that kind of gaze, he feared he would never see in his wife's eyes...

Feeling down, Xiao Jin thought about picking up food for Shen Yun before heading back to the compound.

"So Comrade Kang is here, no wonder the group leader got off work on time today, and we all got to enjoy the benefits thanks to Comrade Kang."

Walking beside Wen Siyuan, He Wei said with a smile, "The group leader is really lucky to have married such a beautiful wife like Comrade Kang."

Wen Siyuan gave He Wei a sidelong glance: "Envious?"

"Aren't you?"

He Wei rolled his eyes at Wen Siyuan, asking casually:

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"What on earth happened at your home?"

"Are you that bored?"

Giving He Wei another sidelong glance, Wen Siyuan's expression showed a slight change. Seeing this, He Wei said, "I'm concerned about you. You might not realize it, but everyone in our team can see it. Since you returned home and then came back here, your mood has been very low all week."

Wen Siyuan: "I'm fine."

He Wei: "You think I'll believe you when you say that? Let me tell you, if you keep going like this, the team leader will have to talk to you."

"..."

Wen Siyuan's mouth twitched, but he said nothing for a long time.

"Think about it. What is our job? If your personal reasons cause problems in our research work, the consequences would be very serious. Honestly, if you don't want to be transferred, it's best you forget about all those messy things, or else..."

"Don't say anymore."

Wen Siyuan interrupted He Wei. After a moment of silence, he glanced at the retreating figures of Luo Yanqing and Kang Li, then continued, "It's really enviable how the team leader and his spouse get along and care for each other. I've often thought, we're all human, so why can't my other half learn from Comrade Kang? Taking good care of the kids at home, occasionally visiting me at the institute, but this..."

He Wei: "Why did you stop talking?"

Wen Siyuan: "There's nothing more to say. The reason I went home was just some family issues, and I settled them before I came back to the institute."

He Wei: "If everything's settled, why have you been so listless these past few days?"

"It looks like you really are bored."

Wen Siyuan glared at him, saying, "Even though the issue was settled, I'm human, not some emotionless machine. It'll take some time to adjust."

"Alright, alright, I'll stop asking. You take the time you need to adjust, and I hope to see a reinvigorated Teacher Wen tomorrow."

He Wei laughed, and he really didn't say more.

On their way back to the dormitory, Luo Yanqing and Kang Li chatted and laughed together. After indulging in some playful banter for a while, Luo Yanqing picked up the food container and said, "I'm going to get some food, want to come with?"

"You go by yourself. I don't want to be stared at by everyone."

Shaking her head, Kang Li pushed Luo Yanqing out the door: "Go on, then. I'll wait for you in the dorm."

Although she didn't mind being gawked at, to tell the truth, those gazes made her feel quite uncomfortable.

Luo Yanqing used his free hand to rub Kang Li's head: "I'll be back very quickly."

"Really, since when did you start liking to rub my head so much, as if I'm a little puppy."

Despite the words that sounded like a complaint, Kang Li's expression revealed no such sentiment; she smiled with a mix of helplessness and sweetness.

Ruffling the hair, hmm... actually, it feels pretty good!

"Don't like it, huh?"

Luo Yanqing raised an eyebrow, his phoenix eyes brimming with mirth.

"How could I not?!"

Kang Li gave him a slanted look that could kill, batting her eyelids: "That's your full love, and I've received it all!"

At her words, Luo Yanqing's ears turned instantly red, and he covered his mouth with a fist, coughing uncomfortably twice before he said, "Wait for me, I'll be right back."

Unexpectedly, Kang Li hooked his neck at that moment and kissed his lips.

Luo Yanqing was taken aback for a moment, wanting to deepen the kiss, but Kang Li let go of him mischievously and took a step back, her smiling eyes full of playfulness.

With a husky voice and intense look in his eyes, Luo Yanqing said, "Just keep teasing me!"

"Did I do something?"