

Oh My God 261

### **Chapter 261: Big Brother Xiong's Miraculous Encounter**

"You're underestimating my mental endurance," Meng Chao said. "Go on. I'll definitely believe in you."

"I ran into a Ghost-faced Bear in Graveyard Forest!" Chu Feixiong said with an incredibly exaggerated expression. "At that time, I had been wandering in Graveyard Forest with Shao Jianqing for a long time. Of course, we only dared to wander about the edges of the forest. The monsters there weren't really fierce. At most, they were just Grade One or Grade Two Nightmarish Beasts.

"But for some reason, as the ground started trembling fiercely, all the monsters in Graveyard Forest, including the carnivorous etherealized plants started attacking us as if they'd gone mad.

"I split up with Shao Jianqing and lost my way. The more I ran, the darker my surroundings became, and I ended up running into the depths of Graveyard Forest!

"I don't know how many monsters and etherealized plants I killed, but before I could catch my breath, I ran into a Grade Four Hell Beast, and it was the Ghost-faced Bear. I was sent into a crack with just one swipe from that creature.

"Heh. What do you think happened? Something unexpected happened, that's what! Endless waves of spirit energy gushed out of that crack, and when they swept through my body, my wounds filled with a refreshing feeling, and it felt great. It was as if that spirit energy had life, and it surged into my body!

"I was stuck in the crack, so that spirit energy crawled into me for a full day and night. It was really refreshing, and I was filled with endless energy. I felt as if I had never felt as strong. Even Soldier, you know, my heroic spirit, became clearer and gained a stronger presence!

"When no spirit energy came out of the crack, I crawled out with my hands and feet. And since the world is small, I ran into that Ghost-faced Bear again. It was fighting against Shao Jianqing. And when you run into your enemies, you get filled with anger, right? So I beat it down with one punch!"

"Did... you?"

Meng Chao did not want to doubt Chu Feixiong's words, but Ghost-faced Bears were Hell Beasts. Even Meng Chao himself did not have a lot of confidence to fight it if he ran into it, but Chu Feixiong managed to beat it with one punch even though he was still an amateur heroic spirit user?

Chu Feixiong's face turned red. "Well, before I crawled out of the crack, the Ghost-faced Bear had already been fighting for a long time with Shao Jianqing, and it was beaten up pretty badly by her Female Battle God. It was already heavily injured.

"But don't they say that a beast is the fiercest when it's injured? At that time, Shao Jianqing was already drained of spirit energy, and my Soldier was indeed the one who dealt the final blow.

"Don't go doubting me now. Do you know my cultivation realm right now? I'm a two-star superhuman and am at Spirit Transformation Realm! Aren't I amazing? Isn't it exciting? Isn't it shocking? Aren't you jealous? You never thought about it, did you?"

"Oh."

Chu Feixiong took up a bodybuilder's pose and bulged up his biceps, trapezius, and pecs. "When I look in the mirror, even I can't help but be jealous of myself. I've only just awakened to supernatural abilities, and I managed to become a two-star superhuman. Looks like I'm one of those geniuses spoken in legends, one of those rare, talented people. I'm definitely destined to become a superhero who will change the future, right?"

"Yeah, definitely..." Meng Chao said.

Their friends nearby could no longer stand it. They dragged Chu Feixiong away in a flurry.

"The large spirit energy rain this time was a blessing that Dragon City has never encountered before. Many of the outstanding people from our age group seized the change and started training and killing madly. They managed to reach a breakthrough during their fights," Xie Feng, one of the Four Great Kings of Agricultural University's martial arts course, said to Meng Chao.

"Wu Wu from our university and the other three specially recruited fighting course students from the alliance of five universities have all become two-star superhumans. Sun Ya, Duan Lian, Jiang Rui, some other people, and I absorbed really pure and thick spirit energy, and our spirit energy maximum values have already surpassed the limits of one-star superhumans. There's not even a need to mention those people at Dragon City University's martial arts course.

"Not only has everyone's cultivation realm increased, we've also gained a lot of war achievements from our fights. Many people have managed to kill Grade Three Nightmarish Beasts and even Grade Four Hell Beasts, which are far above their cultivation realms. They've left behind really amazing feats on the war achievements ranking board, and a lot of forces of power are paying attention to them now.

"It's a bit of a pity that you went on the mine exploration. If you had gone to fight with us at Graveyard Forest, it would have been great. You might have even obtained your own blessing. But no matter what, staying alive is better than anything else. The spirit energy density is really high around Raging Waves now. It's a legendary blessed ground. If you go there to train and fight, you will definitely be able to reach a breakthrough."

"Actually..." Meng Chao did not want to hide the truth when he faced his friends' concern. "I've also become a two-star superhuman," he said with a smile.

"Huh?" His friends were slightly stunned. "Didn't you go underground?"

Even though the spirit energy tsunami had come from the underground, it had been suppressed for billions of years in an environment that was both hot and had a high pressure, so its density was too high, and it was too wild. Underground, it possessed a destructive power that could destroy everything in its wake. It would not nourish the body nor could be directly absorbed and used for cultivation.

It was just like how a person's guts would be torn and they'd get water poisoning if they drank dozens of litres of water in one go. If anyone absorbed high density spirit energy directly, they would go through spirit energy deviation. Their spirit meridians would shatter, and they would explode.

This was common knowledge in spirit energy science.

Hence, when everyone heard that Meng Chao went missing underground, they thought that he was already very lucky to have managed to survive. They did not think that he would have been able to gain any benefits from the spirit energy tsunami.

“When the crystal mines exploded, we found a Blue Origin Crystal cave through sheer coincidence. We hid in there for a few days and nights,” Meng Chao explained in a concise manner.

“Wow! Then, your luck is even better than mine! It’s no wonder why I felt that the spirit energy ripples around you are different from before!”

Chu Feixiong went forward and gave a vicious punch to Meng Chao’s chest. It was so vicious that Meng Chao winced. “But you’ll only really be cool when you reach a breakthrough in battle. It’s only at those instances that you’ll be able to turn your spirit energy into real fighting power. You must have strength but not know how to use it, right?”

“Um...”

Chu Feixiong went to him and threw an arm over his shoulder in a friendly manner. He was eager to show just how fierce his Soldier was after it obtained a full upgrade. “It’s fine. Leave it to me. We’ll spar over the next few days, and I assure you, you’ll soon get used to being a two-star superhuman and the brand new fighting style. Hehehehehe...”

Meng Chao frowned. “Why is your smile so evil? Is it because you were always beaten up in the past, and now that you’re a two-star superhuman, you want to take the chance to take revenge? You’re cooking up an evil scheme! You want to beat me up until my parents can’t recognize me!”

Chu Feixiong widened his eyes and looked shocked. “How could that be? We’ve been best friends for years. Am I that sort of person in your eyes? I’m truly thinking about how to help you! I want to help you get familiar with being a two-star superhuman, you know? Hehehehe...”

“Bro, since you’re such a bro, I’m definitely going to accept your kind will.” Meng Chao slapped Chu Feixiong’s shoulder. “Let’s talk through the night and spar until daylight!”

But before the sparring session, Meng Chao had something even more important to do.

The northern offense had lasted for three months, and they had obtained progressive success. They managed to completely clear the communication lines from Shattered Starlake to the main city, and many of the injured people were sent to the rear.

The university students and lecturers who were sent to provide backup to the frontlines could also go to the rear to rest and reorganize.

However, before the spirit energy density became normal again, no one was willing to miss out on the chance to train and fight madly in this blessed ground, because this was a chance for their strength to increase by leaps and bounds.

No one was willing to go back to the city. Since the extreme weather conditions and spirit energy magnetic field interference had been reduced, the signal towers stretched from Dragon City to Shattered Starlake, and the wireless communication network became more stable compared to a few

months ago. The warriors at the frontlines could finally communicate with their families in the city through video calls.

“A’chao!”

“Big Brother!”

When Meng Chao saw his parents and sister on the small screen and heard their familiar voices, his heart welled up with emotions.

His parents had become slightly thinner. He wondered whether it was because food had been rather scarce in the city over the past few months because the city had been sending a lot of resources to the frontlines or whether it was because they were worried about him while he was at the frontlines.

But no matter how thin they were right now, it was still better than them lying sick in bed in his previous life.

His parents asked him to be at ease at the frontlines and train as well as fight without any worry, because everything was going well at home. Even though the city had gone through a time of rationing when the army’s progress had faltered during the rainy season, it was soon over, and the resources in the market became plentiful again.

There was no need to even mention what happened over the past few days. Tons of monster meat and other materials were sent to the rear in endless waves. Regardless of whether it was the price for Demonic Halberd Pigs or Iron-armored Rhinoceros, they all dropped to the point that they were now only charged for the transportation fees. In Bai Jiacao’s words, “I’m about to puke from all the beef soup I drank.”

“Looks like you’ll definitely win the war now.”

Since he was a harvester and someone who had opened his own resource recovery company, Meng Yishan was very sensitive to the changes in the war. He said with a smile, “Over the past few days, Superstar received a lot of business deals. They didn’t ask us to be careful when we harvest the monsters, but quick.

“Many of the valuable monster skeletons were thrown away or crushed into bone powder. They’re all turned into bone powder to become fertilizer, and if they’re making such wasteful acts, it means that the frontlines have achieved great victory. Monster carcasses are piling up in mountains, and the harvesters can’t take care of all them.

“Also, a few canned food factories have signed partnerships with us. They want us to work with them to provide large amounts of food for the Red Dragon Army. By the looks of it, the Red Dragon Army is about to station themselves at the northern frontlines. This means that the northern offense is about to end, right?”

Before Meng Chao could answer it, Bai Jiacao squeezed her way in front of the screen and said with wide eyes, “Big Brother, our school organized a gathering yesterday so that everyone can watch a livestream. We saw a few Apocalyptic Beasts being carried back to Dragon City by armored airships. Those are legendary Apocalyptic Beasts, you know?!”

“How many monsters did you kill? Did you kill something really powerful and gain war achievements? Did you become a hero?”

Before her voice could fade away, their mother hit her head lightly. “Your brother is just a freshman. He’s just there to get a feel for the war and learn from his seniors. Why does it matter how many monsters he killed? It’s already great that he’s able to come home safely!”

Bai Jiacao stuck her tongue out. She covered her head and whispered, “Mom, you’re underestimating my brother too much...”

Meng Chao smiled in his heart.

“I didn’t become a hero, but I saw all sorts of heroes,” he said seriously. “When I come back to Dragon City and have the chance, I’ll definitely tell you the stories of those heroes.”

### **Chapter 262: Interuniversity Tournament**

The New Year celebration was just around the corner. It was only one month away.

Even though the rotation and orbital period of the Other World was slightly different than that of Earth so the same calendar system could not be used, once the societal order recovered, the transmigrators soon remembered their traditional holidays.

It was one of the few connections they still had with their home planet.

The New Year celebration was incredibly lively and grand.

Red lanterns were hung all over the streets weeks away, and banners filled with words [Welcome to a New Year] were all over the place as well. Fireworks and crackers made of all sorts of monster powder were released into the night sky to light it up with their brilliant colors.

Since the shops had a lot of resources, all homes had a thick aroma of meat. The culture of eating that had lasted for thousands of years in Dragon City created an amazing chemical reaction when the people ran into ingredients from monsters.

One family made Demonic Halberd Pig sausages, while another family used the method to make roasted ducts to cook incredibly juicy reptile-type monsters. There were even shops that created a hotpot with a diameter of more than two meters so that the people could cook Iron-armored Rhinoceros meat in it.

As news of victory from the frontlines was sent back along with all sorts of frozen superbeast meat, the normal citizens gained benefits too, because as the development of the new area went well, their pockets also became full of money. They saw hope and believed that they could now have a taste of the legendary Nightmarish Beasts.

It was the same for the Meng family.

Ever since Bai Suxin began receiving treatment and could walk around smoothly, she fell in love with going out to shop. She did not like buying clothes or beauty products, but she enjoyed going to markets in the corners, which sold items at fair prices, or suppliers. She had all sorts of ways to cook good food for the family.

When she heard that her son was about to return home victorious in a few days, she prepared a whole balcony of pickled snakes, dried lizards, Demonic Halberd Pig sausages, and Iron-armored Rhinoceros jerky to replenish all the nutrients her son had lost over the months.

She also used spices unique to the Other World to prepare around twenty types of flavors and had her daughter taste test her food, which resulted in her gaining eight kilograms. The girl grew so terrified of it that she ran off whenever she smelled the aroma of meat.

But while she could usually run away, she could not on that day. When it was time to eat, Bai Jiacao obediently sat at the dining table. Even Meng Yishan, who was really busy because the company's business had been growing, came home on time. The family turned on their television and watched the latest news report from the frontlines with wide eyes.

"Little Cao, will your brother really be on television today?" Bai Suxin handed her daughter a dried lizard.

"Of course, the sports channel will be livestreaming the freshmen tournament between the alliance of the five universities and the freshmen from Dragon City University. I heard that the situation this year is going to be different. Since a lot of freshmen reached a breakthrough during the battle, the five-men tournament can no longer fully display the strength of both sides.

"So, they changed it to a 100 vs 100 super tournament. They're even going to livestream the entire thing! Meng Chao is on the list of the alliance of the five universities, so we'll definitely be able to see him later!" Bai Jiacao handed the dried lizard to her father.

Meng Yishan looked troubled. He glanced at his daughter, then at his wife.

The two of them stared at him expressionlessly.

He could only take a bite of the lizard and force a smile. "Dear, your cooking is pretty good. It tastes great. Since this tastes so good, when A'chao comes back, he'll be letting you down if he doesn't eat all of the food in the balcony!"

As he spoke, overhead shots from Shattered Starlake and Graveyard Forest were displayed on the screen. They were all shots taken by the drones.

At that moment, the northern frontlines had already done a 180 degrees turn compared to when Meng Chao had gone over a few months ago.

Two railroads and a six-vehicle highway had been built. They stretched from the main city to Shattered Starlake and went through Graveyard Forest to under Raging Waves.

Every day, tons of resources were sent to the depths of the wild by the main road.

Automatic steel construction machines weighing nearly one thousand tons dug out intersecting drains and canals in Shattered Starlake. Then, water pumps with high horsepower worked day and night to extract the accumulated water in the swamps, which then shrank in size and revealed black mud underneath.

The mud contained nutrients that had accumulated from various living beings and microorganisms at the bottom of the swamp for thousands of years. As long as it was mixed with monster blood, flesh, or bone powder as well as fertilizer, it would become an endless mass of fertile land.

The first batch of dried and modified swamps had rows of silver tents. The etherealized plant botanists and agricultural scientists planted the seeds of genetically modified etherealized plants on the land, so when summer and autumn arrived, they would bear fruit containing vast amounts of spirit energy.

The originally dark Graveyard Forest was surrounded and attacked by superhumans and the Red Dragon Army multiple times, so almost all of the superbeasts as well as carnivorous etherealized plants that posed a threat were killed or chased into Raging Waves or further into the wild.

A few sections of the forest had already been smoothed out. The mining and smelting factories, spirit energy transportation stations, and the various other heavy industries centered around crystals and metals from the Other World began to be built rapidly once the pile drivers, cranes, drills, modularized assembly machines and various construction machines were brought in. The beginnings of the industrial area were just set up.

As for Raging Waves, even though Dragon City was unable to develop it for the time being, hundreds of armored airships flew over it every day. One of the reasons was to monitor whether there were still high-grade superbeasts wandering in the mountains, and the other reason was to gather the spirit energy that was still gushing out from underground. They also used the environment above Raging Waves to conduct various scientific experiments, because the air above Raging Waves contained a lot of spirit energy.

Over the month after the spirit energy magnetic field became stable and the communications between the frontlines and the rear smoothed out, many media outlets and websites started livestreaming the northern offense all day without stop.

Only certain core secrets were not shown. Since all Dragon Citizens were soldiers, the livestreams of the war effort could give them pride, and the belief that they were bound to win gave them motivation to cultivate and fight.

As they watched how the land turned from an uncultivated area that had nothing but danger into a paradise for Earthlings, the pride they had for overcoming difficulties and opening up the land became the most valuable wealth and fighting power.

This was especially so for families like the Meng family. Since they had family members fighting at the frontlines, they felt incredibly proud.

“One month ago, we encountered an extremely rare spirit energy geyser at the northern offense, and the entire battlefield turned into a blessed ground filled with spirit energy. The superhumans who had been working in the battlefield, especially the new superhumans who had just started showing their splendour, welcomed a tactical blessing that only appears once in a blue moon.

“Based on incomplete data, thousands of one-star superhumans below thirty have gained various degrees of improvement from the spirit energy geyser.

“Then, the freshmen from the six universities started fighting fiercely with victory at hand while led by the freshmen of Dragon City University. They fought fiercely and broke through the limits of their lives time and again, fully displaying the spirit of Dragon City, Earth, and humans!

“Today, we’ve gained a firm hold over hundreds of kilometers of fertile land from Raging Waves to Shattered Starlake. Dragon City has taken a firm step forward on its path to conquering the Other World. Our youngsters are bound to arrive at the top of the Other World. How great is their strength currently? Now, let us bear witness to it...”

The commentator’s voice came from the television.

Meng Yisha, Bai Suxin, and Bai Jiacao held their breaths and watched with wide eyes.

The camera lens on the drone suddenly zoomed in. The scene was continuously magnified, and it stopped at a corner of Graveyard Forest, where a huge arena had been set up.

There were two preparation areas set at two sides of the forest. Two hundred students from Dragon City University and the alliance of the five universities were warming up over there. The camera swept past them.

“Over the past month, we have livestreamed a few of the fights of these new superhumans on our platform, and we have also interviewed some of the outstanding new superhumans. I believe that you are not unfamiliar with some of them.”

As the commentator said this, the camera stopped for a brief time on a few students.

All of them had outstanding battle achievements, and their strength was above that of others. They were all the outstanding people among the new superhumans.

Meng Chao was among them.

As if he had noticed the drone, he smiled brilliantly and waved at the camera

“Look, it’s Big Brother! He looks to have grown taller over the last few days. Ah, seriously, now, I’m at most only up to his chest!” Bai Jiacao cried out.

“It’s really A’chao!” Meng Yishan and Bai Jiacao were shocked and delighted.

Almost a year ago, their son had been rolling about on his bed, wondering whether he could get into a better postsecondary specialized college. Who could have expected that after some time, he would be able to shine brilliantly on the battlefield and stand out among thousands of new superhumans.

This change caused them, as parents, to feel gratified and delighted, but their hearts also ached because their son had been training and fighting madly.

“The freshmen tournament between Dragon City University and the alliance of the five universities comprising the University of Technology, Agricultural University, Medical University, and the University of Science is a traditional tournament that has a long history. In the past, we had a five versus five group battle, but this year, the youngsters of Dragon City have risen to power, and we can say to have entered the golden era. Hundreds of people have reached the standards of the outstanding people in the past.

“Hence, the tournament this year is an unprecedented 100 vs 100, and no other tournament will be like it. The rules are very simple. Both sides will each send out one hundred candidates, and they will enter the dangerous Graveyard Forest at the same time. The sensory chips implanted in the defensive suits



will monitor the students' physiological parameters. They will produce simulations and analyze the students' injuries to judge whether they have been defeated.

"Before either side's last contestant is determined to have lost, they will have the chance to fight one against ten and turn the tides despite being in a desperate situation. Graveyard Forest has a complicated environment, which adds quite a lot of variables to the tournament. We will wait and see just which is the stronger, Dragon City University or the alliance of the five universities.

"Alright, the contestants from both sides have entered Graveyard Forest. We will talk in detail about the star contestants and the analysis of their fighting strengths during the exciting battles later. Now, let the tournament officially begin!"

"Mom!" Bai Jiacao was so excited that she slapped the table. "The tournament has started! What are you doing?! Hurry up and look for where Big Brother is!"

"Wait, let me send a message," Bai Suxin said calmly. "I have to make all our relatives watch A'chao's match."

She pressed send and opened another group chat.

"Are you done?" Bai Jiacao was getting really worked up.

"Yeah, I'm sending a message to our neighbors now," Bai Suxin said. "A'chao is the pride of Blessed Heavenly Garden. If our neighbors know that he's on TV, they'll definitely come to cheer for him."

She sent another message.

"What about now?" Bai Jiacao wiped off her sweat. It was from how worked up and excited she was.

"I also joined a few grocery shopping groups and the patient group in the medical center..."

Bai Suxin sent the message about the tournament to more than ten groups, and she deliberately attached the picture of Meng Chao smiling at the camera just now. She added the caption "My Son" to the picture and sent it to all groups.

### **Chapter 263: Glory of the Golden Era**

Bai Jiacao gave up. She pursed her lips and stared at the screen.

The image had shifted to the overhead shot of forest, which the drone captured in the air. Two groups of people dressed in red and blue protective suits entered the forest from two different directions. Immediately after that, there was a flurry of motion. A lot of the pests hidden in the shrubs fled. If they were the slightest bit careless, they would be immediately cut in half.

In the last month of intense fighting, the larger monsters were all killed by the powerful fighters.

The freshmen had also gained fierce killing intent that only veterans who had fought in a hundred battles had.

The sensitive middle-grade and low-grade monsters did not dare to fight against them.

Even the carnivorous etherealized plants acted like shame plants when they sensed the powerful magnetic fields surrounding the students. They shut the parts they used to hunt and pretended to be normal plants.

The forest was not large.

In the near future, Graveyard Forest would become an industrial area and be developed into a multi-function training hall with all manner of terrain. Even though the area was small, it had everything from forests, mountain creeks, cracks, caves, and even small cliffs.

The geography was complicated, but it was not a problem for the outstanding students who were already experienced fighters. Based on the overhead shots, the spectators could clearly see the students from both sides moving as smoothly as mercury spilling on the ground. The students headed in the direction where the other party would show their might—the center of the forest

Soon, the students who were at the forefront of the charge clashed against each other.

“We can see that the first pair of contestants from both sides have already clashed magnificently. The one dressed in the blue protective suit is Yang Na from Dragon City University. She is a very outstanding Overkill Style martial artist. With a sword as swift as shooting stars, she has once managed to gain the record of killing 198 Three-eyed Spirit Cats in one day. She is known to the public as Shooting Star.

“Unfortunately, the one she encountered today is Female Battle God Shao Jiang Qing from the military school’s heroic spirit course.

“Shao Jianqing is one of the four specially recruited students from the alliance of the five universities. She is also the freshman with the most eye-catching offense in the northern offense. Of course, many of us have a hard time attaching the title of a freshman to her when we see how she uses her two swords to swiftly and valiantly kill monsters.

“One side represents absolute speed, while the other side represents absolute power. I wonder how Shooting Star Yang Na will break Shao Jianqing’s Female Battle God.

“As expected, Yang Na is acting very cautiously. She did not create her spirit energy magnetic field the moment she engaged in battle and released her best skill, Meteor Storm. Instead, she uses her advantage in her agility to move around Shao Jianqing.

“With a dense wave of sword attacks, she is luring Shao Jianqing into parrying her attacks. This is, undoubtedly, the best strategy, because Shao Jianqing’s swords were created with special alloy containing superbeast crystalized bones. They weigh nearly one hundred kilograms, so it’s impossible for her to swing them continuously...

“Wait! What is this we’re seeing?! Shao Jianqing actually swung her swords so quickly that they have the momentum of a storm! There’s no openings to be found! She’s actually suppressing Shooting Star Yang Na!

“Her speed is actually faster than Yang Na’s?! During the full half a minute she swung her swords, she did not mess up once! From her breathing to the movements of her fingertips, everything was flawless! This made Yang Na fall into her rhythm!

“Oh, no! Yang Na’s breathing and footwork are starting to turn chaotic! Her defense has collapsed! She has to run! There is no other choice, she can only— Ah!

“Shooting Star Yang Na has been struck down by Female Battle God Shao Jianqing, and she did not even manage to use her best skill Meteor Storm before she was defeated. We can see that Yang Na looks confused and frustrated, as if she still hasn’t understood what happened, but that’s how tournaments are. If this were a real battlefield, she might have already died.

“The control as well as endurance that Shao Jianqing displayed just now seems to be characteristic of the Ultimate Style, which has been very popular among the alliance of the five universities over the past few months.

“Some of you might not understand it well, dear audience, but the Ultimate Style is a martial arts style that has risen to power recently. It came from Agricultural University’s martial arts course, and it’s very popular in the northern offense, especially among those in the alliance of the five universities.

“It pays attention to the cultivation of 1,024 branch meridians and uses chain attacks to suppress the opponent so that they would reveal openings. It has an incredibly high killing efficiency when it comes to fighting against large amounts of normal monsters.

“However, I didn’t expect that even Female Battle God Shao Jianqing would become a supporter of the Ultimate Style, much less produce such astonishing results when it comes to fighting against the Overkill Style.

“We have interviewed the creator of the Ultimate Style before the tournament. Mr. Gu Jianbo of Agricultural University’s martial arts course stated boldly that the people from Dragon City University’s martial arts course will be shocked in the tournament.

“He must have been talking about Shao Jianqing. With the help of the Ultimate Style, the heroic spirit Female Battle God is indeed qualified to challenge the Overkill Style from Dragon City University’s martial arts course!”

“Dad, Mom, did you hear?” Bai Jiacao said excitedly. “Mr. Gu Jianbo from Agricultural University’s martial arts course is Big Brother’s personal tutor! He’s really good!”

“I know, right?” Meng Yishan and Bai Suxin looked at each other and asked in puzzlement, “But where is your brother?”

“Well...”

Bai Jiacao scratched her head and stared at the TV.

Unfortunately, while the livestreamer had prepared hundreds of drones and set up countless cameras in the arena and each contestant had a camera on their shoulders and helmets, which allowed them to practically monitor everything, when the shots were displayed to the people, they were only able to see one or at most two of the most exciting fights.

And Meng Chao, who practiced Walking Corpse, was skilled in lurking in dark corners, sneaking around, and launching surprise attacks. Clearly, he was not considered among the students delivering the most exciting fights.

Right now, what was displayed on TV was a dazzling battle between an Overkill Style user and a machine master, and there were even all sorts of electricity effects.

There was a Dragon City University freshman by the name of Yan Shouhong with a nickname Fireworks. His specialty was moves that were dazzling, cool, and had a lot of electricity effects. He used brilliant spirit energy magnetic fields that looked like fireworks to interfere with his opponents' senses, which made them feel as if they were trapped in a kaleidoscope.

Unfortunately, his opponent was Machine Maniac Xu Sheng, the specially recruited fighting course student from the University of Technology. Though he did not have all his limbs, he was exceptionally talented.

Since the situation had stabilized and there was no longer any spirit energy magnetic field interference, Xu Sheng could release his brainwaves fearlessly. He controlled dozens of weaponized fighting vehicles and spider fighting vehicles at the same time. He had a whole steel army that saw through Fireworks' superficial attacks and submerged Yan Shouhong.

"Dragon City University has lost two fights in a row! Before the tournament, who could have predicted this sort of situation?"

Even the commentator became excited. "But I believe that Dragon City University, with its great foundation, will not just stand by and let this happen. Look! It's Wang Dao from Dragon City University's martial arts course!

"I believe that there is no need for me to make further introductions regarding Wang Dao. Most of you have already heard about him.

"Since elementary school, he has continuously defended the title of champion in various competitions related to stances, meditations, and fighting styles.

"Before he was eighteen years old, he managed to break twenty-four records. Over the three years he was in high school, he has never run into an opponent who could stand up to him in the challenges launched against him in Dragon City Great High School, which is the best school in Dragon City and has plenty of powerful people.

"With the status of a specially recruited student, he has smoothly entered Dragon City University's martial arts course, and even there, he has never run into anyone who can break his undefeatable status. He deserves his title of Tyrant.

"After he came to the northern frontlines, Wang Dao fought in a manner that can only be described as mad to prove that he is not only someone who can be called a tyrant in cultivation rooms and arenas, but also someone who deserves the title of tyrant even in the wild.

"With the strength of a one-star superhuman, he killed more than ten Grade Three Nightmarish Beasts and even managed to escape unscathed while hunted by a Hell Beast. He has created multiple miracles.

"And now, we are about to witness just how strong Tyrant Wang Dao has become after he successfully became a two-star superhuman during the spirit energy rain. His opponent has appeared!"

"Ah!" Bai Jiacao's eyes went wide, and she screamed, "It's Big Brother Xiong!"

“Which Big Brother Xiong?” Meng Yishan asked.

“It’s the fair and plump one who often came to our house to play when Big Brother was in high school.” Bai Jiacao thought about it and said, “One time, he didn’t have his fill yet even after he ate eighty dumplings. We didn’t have any dumpling skins and fillings anymore, so we could only give him two bowls of instant noodles.”

“Oh, it’s Chu Feixiong!” Bai Suxin immediately remembered him. She asked in shock, “What happened to the boy? Why is he so dark and thin now?”

“Wang Dao’s first opponent is Chu Feixiong from the military school. This is a very interesting contestant as well,” the commentator said. “Regardless of whether he was in high school or the northern frontlines, he never displayed great talent. Even though he successfully awakened a heroic spirit, based on what we understand, there isn’t anything particularly special about his heroic spirit, Soldier.

“But Chu Feixiong has firm determination and a will to train and cultivate madly. It is said that every night, he trains until he is bruised, battered, and unrecognizable by using a method that can practically be classified as self-harm. There are even people who can hear him scream in pain late at night.

“But like that, Chu Feixiong managed to train himself until he gained a steel body, and his ability to endure attacks is incredibly strong. When his heroic spirit enters his body, he can even fight barehanded against powerful monsters with great defenses. His fighting style is... quite like that of a martyr.

“As expected, Chu Feixiong did not show any fear when faced with Tyrang Wang Dao, who is ranked at the first place of Dragon City University’s martial arts course. Instead, he summoned his heroic spirit and rushed forward. He’s using... the Army Fist? He’s actually using the Army Fist to fight against an outstanding new member of the Overkill Style!”

“Bang!”

The sound of fists clashing rose. Even Bai Jiacao and her parents could not help but hunch their shoulders while sitting in front of the TV.

Chu Feixiong was sent flying like a fallen kite.

“Alright, Chu Feixiong does have commendable courage. Even though he was sent flying by a single punch from Wang Dao and was eliminated from the tournament with a lot of grievances in his heart, his spirit of facing difficulties head-on is still worthy of us— What? He got up again?

“Oh, he’s still using the Army Fist. But he was sent flying again!

“Oh, he got up a third time...

“And the fourth...

“Wang Dao doesn’t seem to be in a good condition today. He might have been shocked by Chu Feixiong’s unrelenting spirit and not dealt a heavy blow. I can’t believe that he still hasn’t managed to get rid of his opponent. Even he seems to be puzzled.

“As for Chu Feixiong, he’s getting more valiant with the more setbacks he faces and is getting stronger. He also seems to be saying something. Could it be that he’s provoking Wang Dao? Let us turn on the communication channels and listen to his cries...”

Hence, all the spectators in front of the TV heard Chu Feixiong strike his chest and shout at the strongest freshman from Dragon City University’s martial arts course.

“That’s the punch from the Overkill Style? Could you hit harder?! Even when Meng Chao hasn’t eaten, his punches land harder than yours!”

Chapter 264: Top-Tier Battle

The commentator fell silent for a while.

After a long time had passed, he finally said, “The Meng Chao Chu Feixiong mentioned is also one of the contestants from the alliance of the five universities. He’s a freshman who has performed really outstandingly during the northern offense and was rewarded the Daily Star title multiple times for his ranking on the war achievement rank.

“However, compared to Wang Dao, Shao Jianqing, and the others who have performed splendidly, Meng Chao’s performance has been rather... mysterious and full of uncertainties.

“As the personal disciple of the Ultimate Style’s creator, Gu Jianbo, he is also the future star of the Ultimate Style. He once used the terrifying fighting endurance of the style to fight for three days and three nights in Graveyard Forest and still remained full of spirit.

“But he has also laid in ambush for more than twenty-four hours in the swamp just to catch a Nightmarish Beast alive.

“It is said that including Female Battle God Shao Jianqing, quite a number of freshmen from the alliance of the five universities have acknowledged Meng Chao’s strength. Let’s hope that we will be able to witness the Ultimate Style’s true limits from Meng Chao through today’s tournament.

“Alright, let’s switch the scene to Meng Chao and see what he’s doing...”

The scene changed, and they saw a silent shrub, along with two slanted, withered trees.

At first glance, everything was calm, and there was nothing happening in the area.

But perhaps it was because the camera drones were too close, the propellers caused a few weeds to fly up, and they could vaguely see some hair.

The shrub jumped up while cursing.

It was only then that the audience noticed that Meng Chao was covered in mud and had stuck a layer of grass on the mud to pretend to be a shrub. His imitation was so good that he looked like a real shrub, and no one could see through his disguise.

Meng Yishan found himself speechless.

“Should I delete the livestream link I sent to the groups just now?” Bai Suxin asked.

The commentator said nothing and switched to other fights.

They were just in time to see Chu Feixiong's defense finally breaking after he took more than ten blows from Wang Dao. His heroic spirit, Soldier, had nearly disappeared.

He let out a yelp and fell down. "Just you wait! Meng Chao will take revenge for me!"

"Is this guy really that confident in Big Brother, or is he causing him trouble?" Bai Jiacao wondered. "He's making someone as powerful as Wang Dao go and create problems for Big Brother!"

As the one hundred contestants from both sides entered the forest, they fought against each other, and the tournament became more interesting.

At the alliance of the five universities' side, Female Battle God Shao Jianqing's swords cut through trees as easily as grass, Panther Girl Wu Wu and her Ghost Leopard moved elusively and pushed their opponents down like ghosts, and the strength of Machine Master Xu Sheng and Gun Fighting Style's Han Xing caused the people's views to broaden, and they gasped in surprise.

In the beginning, because Dragon City University did not expect that the alliance of the five universities would be so powerful this year, they were caught off guard.

But once Wang Dao eliminated five opponents continuously, they gradually found their rhythm. The success rate and fluidity of creating spirit energy magnetic fields among the freshmen did not lose to many of their upperclassmen in their second and third year.

For a period of time, all sorts of dazzling killing moves that created a lot of bright electricity flew all over the air.

A storm of bullets clashed against spirit energy ripples, and they created incredibly brilliant sparks.

The steel army created by drones and spider fighting vehicles continuously changed formations. They worked together with heroic spirits that looked as if deities had descended to the mortal world and created a lot of damage.

The spectators were dazzled by the sight and had to admit that after the students were baptized by the flames of war and nourished by spirit energy, they brought the golden era upon Dragon City. Once these low-grade superhumans grew up, Dragon City's future generation would become even stronger.

The fights between the two sides became fiercer, and more people were eliminated. In just a moment, both sides lost dozens of contestants.

And the outstanding contestants who had "killed" the most people started showing their splendor on the ranking board.

Wang Dao and Shao Jianqing were both leaders of their respective "armies". They had killed more than ten people. More than one-third of the achievements of their respective sides were made by them.

There were also a few outstanding people who had been engaged in exciting battles, which now appeared on screen. They were mainly the specially recruited fighting course students from both sides, and they had all "killed" more than three opponents.

However, quite a number of spectators were incredibly shocked when they saw something unexpected—Meng Chao had also "killed" three contestants.

“Look, it’s Big Brother’s name!” Bai Jiacao pointed at the bottom right corner of the screen. “He also defeated three opponents, so why haven’t we seen his fights?”

The commentator also seemed to have noticed this problem.

During the next few moments of the livestream, he switched to Meng Chao’s fights a few more times.

But they were all... indescribable.

There were even a few shots that were similar to before. Even if they widened their eyes, they could not find where Meng Chao was hiding.

He was either an unmoving shrub, hiding in a swamp without creating any bubbles, or pretending to be a moss-covered rock.

When a few ignorant Dragon City University freshmen walked by him, Meng Chao would suddenly “split up” from the shrub, swamp, or rock, and wrap their necks with his white sabers and rune-covered chains.

The contact between the parties lasted less than half a second. Then, Meng Chao would fuse back into the shadows and disappear without a trace. He left his opponents utterly confused when they were judged by the system to have been “eliminated”.

There were a few times when a few Dragon City freshmen formed a party to search for targets, so they were not people Meng Chao could easily “kill” alone.

Hence, in the full-angle shots recorded by the drones, the spectators could see Meng Chao keeping his limbs and weapons still while using the movements of his muscles to slither away silently like a snake in the dark. He stared at the ignorant opponents coldly, and if he could not find a chance to attack them, he would leave. He did not show any desire to stay and fight.

His cold eyes made the spectators break out in cold sweat for his “prey”.

As the number of contestants in the arena was reduced, most of the freshmen had already experienced at least one battle. Because of it, a lot of their stamina had been whittled down, and Meng Chao switched his tactics.

He did not attack Dragon City University’s freshmen who were alone or in parties.

Instead, he quietly drew close to a pair of students in a fierce fight.

He was just like a shadow. He was even more nimble and mysterious than Wu Wu’s Ghost Leopard and did not make a single sound.

While the Dragon City University freshman was fully focused on fighting against the enemy in front of him, he revealed an opening on his back, and Meng Chao suddenly flung his chain sabers forward. Very easily, he reaped his “kill”.

The commentator had no idea how to comment on this fighting style.



He stuttered for a long time before he said, "We can tell that Meng Chao is very skilled at hiding and sneaking around. It seems like he's fighting in the manner of an assassin. He knows how to seize the best opportunity to attack, and he... has a lot of fighting experience. He fights like a true veteran."

Just like that, Meng Chao became one of the last few contestants left in the arena.

This was not an easy feat, but it had nothing to do with their strength.

After all, the stronger they were, the more likely it was that they would become the targets of the other party's attacks.

For example, Female Battle God Shao Jianqing was surrounded by seven Dragon City University freshmen because of how she fought without holding back and because of her eye-catching swords. One of them was even a specially recruited student from the martial arts course.

She got rid of four of her assailants, including the specially recruited student, but her protective suit was damaged too many times, and the system judged her to not be suited to continue fighting because her physiological parameters had dropped too low. She regrettably had to leave the arena.

Even though she did not manage to last until the end, her heroic fighting style managed to earn respect from most of the spectators and netizens. The livestream platform and forums were filled with praise for her. Many people believed that in just a few years, she would definitely reproduce the glory of the former Female Battle God Su Jianqing and become a military leader of the golden era.

Of course, it was a pity that they were unable to witness the fight between Shao Jianqing and Wang Dao, which would have been a fight between the strongest.

Even the commentator said, "I didn't expect that a heroic spirit user with the help of the Ultimate Style would have such terrifying power. Before she was sent out of the arena, Shao Jianqing managed to defeat a total of fourteen opponents, including a specially recruited student. It seems like the bold words from Mr. Gu of Agricultural University's martial arts course were not without proof.

"You really can't help but imagine, if this weren't a 100 vs 100 group fight, but Shao Jianqing and Wang Dao fought against each other with all their stamina, spirit energy, and all their other aspects at their peak condition, including their weapons, just what would we have been able to see?"

"But no matter what, we've seen today that a lot of the students from the alliance of the five universities, regardless of whether they're martial artists, gunslingers, heroic spirit users, or machine masters, have absorbed and used part of the Ultimate Style's ideals in their fights.

"Regardless of who wins or losses in the fight today, the Ultimate Style will definitely shine brilliantly and will have the right to challenge the Overkill Style together with the Gun Fighting Style, Machine Armor Style, and Beast Soul Style!"

As time passed, the tournament reached its halfway point, and there were now fewer than thirty people standing in the forest. More of them wore blue, which was the color representing Dragon City University.

After all, Dragon City University had a solid foundation and a lot of secret techniques. After being nourished by the spirit energy, many of the freshmen became two-star superhumans, and their creation of spirit energy magnetic fields became smoother, more secretive, and gained a lot more variations.

And the freshmen from the alliance of the five universities, regardless of whether they were heroic spirit users, machine masters, or gunslingers, had to continuously perform tests and polish the rough edges of their fighting style when they wanted to fuse the Ultimate Style into their own specialties.

Right then, their hard power was still unable to compare to that of their peers in Dragon City University.

Most importantly, in the 100 vs 100 group battle, teamwork and strategies were equally important. Even though the alliance of the five universities had students from the military school's commanding course, they were still made up of five universities, and it was very easy for them to end up acting on their own.

Most of the one hundred contestants from Dragon City University came from the martial arts course, and their teamwork was not something the alliance of the five universities could compare to.

At that moment, there were still nineteen contestants from Dragon City University, and among them was Tyrant Wang Dao.

The alliance of the five universities only had eleven contestants left. Aside from Panther Girl Wu Wu holding the fort, the other three specially recruited students had all been defeated by encirclement.

Of course, Meng Chao was still around as well.

Unfortunately for him, as Dragon City University suffered an increasing number of losses and their number of people was reduced, they noticed his existence and his assassination strategy.

When they realized that he had silently raked in so many kills that his kill count was only second to that of Shao Jianqing and the other top students, they quickly formed a five-man squad specifically to force him out of his dark corner.

They paid the price of one person being ambushed and eliminated, but the remaining four people finally forced Meng Chao into an empty space in the forest. They surrounded him from four directions so he would have nowhere to run.

### **Chapter 265: Full Firepower!**

"Ah, Big Brother is in danger!" Bai Jiacao covered her mouth.

"Meng Chao has shown us his exquisite skills in ambushing and assassinating, but once these assassination type contestants are surrounded by their opponents, they usually have a hard time escaping," the commentator said. "But it's fine. Meng Chao has already won against many opponents and brought us a lot of surprises. He can—"

Before he could finish, Meng Chao attacked.

No one could believe that even when he was surrounded by four Dragon City University freshmen, he would choose to attack first.

And when he attacked, his chain sabers turned into thousands of burning arcs that surrounded the four contestants at the same time.

A group of spectators recognized Meng Chao's skill. It was similar to Weeping Reaper Lin Chuan's Thousand Moon Slash, the famous skill of the hero who died tragically during the northern offense.

But when this skill was executed after it was refined by both the Red Radiance Jades and Blue Origin Crystals, it became fierce and unrivaled. It gave off the air that it could defeat anyone effortlessly. It was no longer like a moon, but the fiercest sun

The four contestants looked as if they were struck down by the brilliant sun storm.

The protective suit of one of them was hit fiercely, and he was judged to have lost. He was sent out of the arena.

The other three could only parry, though with great difficulty. Soon, they ended up running helter-skelter and hiding behind trees to catch their breath for a moment.

In just a moment, their unescapable net was torn to shreds.

But Meng Chao's offense had not ended yet.

With the additional power granted by his dense spirit energy, he took full advantage of the Ultimate Style's endless endurance. His chain sabers were like the sickles of the Reaper. They shot at the Dragon City University freshmen from inconceivable angles. He did not give them any chance to catch their breath, much less calm down to create their spirit energy magnetic fields.

"M-Meng Chao is displaying astonishing strength!" The commentator was stunned for some time. "Could it be that the surprise Mr. Gu Jianbo mentioned was not just Shao Jianqing, but also his pride and joy, Meng Chao?"

"Some of you might not understand too well, but chain sabers are very difficult to master. While they increase the user's attack range and agility, it usually also means that they lose in damage to normal weapons.

"And if you want to use the spinning ability to increase damage, you lose the agility. Hence, we seldom see powerful fighters using chain-type weapons.

"But there is one thing that is certain, when powerful fighters skilled in chain sabers, chain spears, or morningstars appear on the battlefield, they are the most dangerous existences in the area!

"Look, Meng Chao is moving the chains as if he's plucking zither strings. It might seem easy, but if we bring the camera closer, we can see that his hands... Good Lord! His hands have already turned into two balls of gray! We can't even see his fingers clearly!

"And he's pouring spirit energy into the chains until they reach the blades more than ten meters away, which is how he can make those chains flexible or stiff at will. They can turn ninety degrees without any sign and split a tree in half.

“Even the contestant hiding behind the tree has been determined to have failed because of this shocking slash and was sent out of the arena. Just how strong was the spirit energy that Meng Chao delivered just now? Is this the Ultimate Style?”

“YES!” Bai Jiacao jumped up. “Big Brother is so awesome!”

She swiped her phone excitedly and let Meng Yishan and Bai Suxin look at the comments on the forum. “Dad, Mom, you might not know this, but Big Brother has a lot of fans online. Everyone is very interested in his Ultimate Style, and they give good comments about it. I can’t believe it! My big brother is practically a celebrity!”

“Is he?” Meng Yishan and Bai Suxin were surprised and delighted.

“In the beginning, a lot of his fans were fans of Weeping Reaper Lin Chuan, but now they became brother’s fans. After all, Lin Chuan sacrificed his life on the battlefield, and Big Brother shared a really good relationship with him.” Bai Jiacao paused for a moment before she swung her fist. “But Meng Chao is very charming as well, so gradually, everyone discovered how different he is!”

“If that’s the case, why do you still say that he often bullies you?” Bai Suxin asked with a smile.

“T-This is this, and that is that!” Bai Jiacao’s face turned red, and she said, “Of course I won’t admit defeat. No matter how strong my big brother becomes, he won’t be able to extinguish my fighting spirit. I will definitely train hard, and one of these days, I’ll become even stronger than him!”

“Oh no, look!” Meng Yishan interrupted the conversation between the mother and daughter and pointed at the screen. “Isn’t that the Tyrant, Wang Dao? He’s the strongest among the Dragon City University freshmen, right?”

Meng Chao had been thinking about chasing down the two who had tried to encircle him before running into the depths of the forest.

But then, with a saber on his left hip and a sword on his right hip, Wang Dao strode over while exuding the domineering presence of a king.

“After Shao Jianqing and the others were forced out of the tournament, only Panther Girl Wu Wu is left among the specially recruited fighting course students from the alliance of the five universities. However, Dragon City University’s strongest freshman, Tyrant Wang Dao, did not choose Wu Wu as his next opponent. Instead, he went to look for Meng Chao!”

The commentator was filled with excitement. “Could this mean that to Wang Dao, Meng Chao is the strongest freshman aside from Shao Jianqing?”

“Alright, both sides have seen each other. They released their strongest spirit flames. The shrubs and withered trees around them have started shaking, crumbling, and burning. They’re so powerful! Are they really freshmen?”

“One of them has been dubbed the strongest since elementary school and has never seen anyone who can match up to him in his path of becoming stronger. The other is a new force that suddenly rose to power. Since the practical test from the national college examination, he has created multiple miracles. He is a mysterious challenger to Wang Dao! So, how will this match between the strong end?”

“Um, well, alright, we can now see that Meng Chao has run away.”

Meng Yishan and Bai Suxin fell silent in front of the TV.

Bai Jiacao wiped her cold sweat off. “Dad, Mom, this is how Ultimate Style practitioners fight. If they can’t win, they run. As long as he’s not eliminated, there’s still hope for him to win. It’s not embarrassing.”

“You’re right. This is good,” Bai Suxin said. “Looks like your brother is still pretty smart. Everything else is just superficial fame. The most important thing is for him to return home safe.”

“Clearly, when he faces the Tyrant of the Dragon City University freshmen, Meng Chao wants to avoid his attacks, but if Wang Dao allowed anyone to run away from him, he would not be the Tyrant!”

The commentator became excited again. “Now, Wang Dao is chasing after him, and he’s moving at high speed. He’s also accurately and swiftly creating incredibly offensive spirit energy magnetic fields. Scorching Sun Slash, Rampaging Dragon Thrust, Furious Tiger Dance... He has brought out the essence of the Overkill Style! He’s practically like an armored airship full of crystal bombs that is bombing the area wantonly!

“However, it feels like Meng Chao can predict the future! Every time, he can sense the faint fluctuations of the spirit energy ripples in the air and predict his enemy’s attack trajectory and pattern, which allows him to avoid the attacks. Just how sharp ARE his senses?!

“Also, we can tell that even though he’s facing such furious attacks, his expression, breathing, and each of his muscles remain as calm as ever. His movements are as precise as those of a machine.

“However, if he continues to be attacked like this, he won’t last long. Does he intend to use the advantage of the Ultimate Style and compete against Wang Dao in stamina? To see whose will drain away first?

“Wait, there’s a change in the direction. Fifty meters ahead of the two contestants is the spot with the greatest drop height in the arena. This is a cliff that is nearly twenty meters tall. At the center of the cliff is a waterfall, and under it is a lake. A small, winding river flows to the edge of the arena.

“Meng Chao has increased his speed distinctly. I didn’t expect that he could still increase his speed. There’s practically no end to his limits.

“Does he intend to jump down the waterfall and escape through the lake and the river?

“Wang Dao has discovered his intentions. He’s currently using the bounce from the branches to flank him from the side.

“Meng Chao is the first of the two to jump down the cliff. Wang Dao used his full strength to arrive above him, and while he’s above, he used one of the strongest killing moves for the Overkill Style, Star Shatterer! This is a skill that many of the fighters at the peak of Earth Realm might not have fully mastered!

“Wang Dao truly does deserve his title as the Tyrant. And Meng Chao deserves to be proud of himself for having been able to force him to use Star Shatterer...”

“Wait! Something shocking happened in the arena! Meng Chao did not just jump down the cliff. The moment he was about to start falling, he threw a chain saber and sent it deep into the cliff. It traveled up by forty-five degrees and wrapped around Wang Dao’s left leg.

“Meng Chao actually predicted Wang Dao’s strategy ahead of time! Right from the start, this was a trap!

“With sharp observational skills, Meng Chao captured an opening in Wang Dao’s moves, and Star Shatterer was forcefully cancelled halfway through its execution. You can tell that Wang Dao’s face is pale. Clearly, he’s in a state of stiffening up and cooling down. His spirit energy is facing a backlash, and he’s definitely feeling horrible now!

“Meng Chao won’t let go of this great chance! We’re finally seeing the full force of the Ultimate Style! His chain sabers turned into burning balls of light and surrounded him and Wang Dao. We can’t tell just how many lightning fast attacks Meng Chao has delivered. We just know that under his endless onslaught, Wang Dao doesn’t have a chance to create even half of a spirit energy magnetic field!”

Splash!

Both of them fell into the lake.

Because of it, even the commentator could not tell who was defending, who was attacking, what was anyone’s strategies nor movements.

The Meng family could only see continuous explosions in the lake while sitting in front of the TV. It was as if deep water bombs had been set off inside the lake. Water pillars, which were taller than ten meters and contained spirit energy ripples, shot up into the air. The water droplets shone with the colors of the rainbow and looked incredibly dazzling.

The explosions lasted for a full half a minute.

Then, the lake became calm.

Everyone felt as if their hearts had leapt to their throats.

The drones continued searching from the lake to the river.

In the end, they found the two contestants covered in wounds. Their clothes were also torn to shreds. They climbed to the banks of the river with great difficulty, looked at each other, and fell down.

“Meng Chao of the alliance of the five universities and Wang Dao of Dragon City University have both been judged to have lost their fighting strength and been killed.”

The commentator sounded incredibly surprised and excited. “As the representative of the Ultimate Style, Meng Chao has actually fought to a tie with the Tyrant Wang Dao, the future star of the Overkill Style!”

## **Chapter 266: Mystery of the Supernatural Entities**

At that moment, Bai Jiacao was scrolling through the livestream platform, and it was filled with on-screen comments and comments in the comment section.

[No way, he’s that good?]

[Meng Chao of Agricultural University's martial arts course? I'll remember that name!]

[Wang Dao is the best of the younger generation. I heard that since young, he has never lost when it comes to all forms of competitions, regardless of whether they're about stances or real fights. He was actually forced to lose together with this Meng Chao?]

[I heard that Meng Chao came from a regional key high school. Before the national college examination, he was a nobody. In less than a year, he's practically like a different person! His cultivation speed is a little too ridiculous, don't you think?! He seems even more terrifying than Wang Dao and Shao Jianqing!]

[Compared to his strength, what is more terrifying are his strategies. At the start, he ran away and lured Wang Dao into continuously forming spirit energy magnetic fields and wasting his spirit energy. He also used that time to fully understand Wang Dao's fighting style. In the end, he used the terrain to launch a desperate counterattack and forced such a powerful enemy to a tie. He has such a calm head and rich fighting experience. He's absolutely nothing like a freshman.]

[Tactics are naturally important, but without the endless supply of spirit energy and stamina provided by the Ultimate Style, no matter how great his strategies were, he wouldn't have been able to make use of them. This Ultimate Style is pretty interesting. Are there any training classes related to it?]

[Right now, Agricultural University's martial arts course has already put up an official website for the Ultimate Style. They've also set up experience centers in the Supernatural Tower, and the four luxurious malls to the north, west, south, and east of the city. Also, an Ultimate Style flagship experience center is being built beside Yan Organization's Ripple Force flagship shop.

[Looks like many of the rich tycoons in Dragon City regard Ultimate Style highly, and they've invested a lot of money in it. Soon, the Ultimate Style will be able to stand on equal footing with the Overkill Style!]

[Soon? Today, the Ultimate Style already fought the Overkill Style to a tie!]

Bai Jiacao stared at all the praises.

Of course, she did not know that there were quite a lot of ghostwriters from Yan Organization mixed among them.

And so, she was so happy that she grinned and handed her phone to her parents so that they could look.

Bai Suxin's heart had been aching for her son's injuries, but after he gasped for breath for half a minute, he climbed up to his feet. His recovery speed was much faster than that of Wang Dao, who still lay on the other bank. It was only then that Bai Suxin sighed in relief.

When she saw the comments online, she became happy again and gestured at Meng Yishan with her chin.

Meng Yishan stuttered, "W-What is it?"

"Our son did well. Aren't you going to send a message to your circle of friends and give a bonus to your employees to spread the joy?"

"There's... no need for that, right?"

“Well, if you’re not going to, I will. Hand over your phone,” Bai Suxin said.

Meng Yishan refused it. “I... I won’t!”

“What did you just say?”

Meng Chao was currently in the resting area of the arena in Graveyard Forest. Naturally, he did not know that he had become famous online, in his family group, neighborhood group, his mother’s grocery shopping group, and his father’s company group.

Honestly, what he had used was not the fighting style he liked.

He would rather bring Wang Dao on a stroll around Graveyard Forest for three-to-five hours, or even a whole day and a night, just to see who could outrun the other. In the end, when both of them were exhausted and foaming at the mouth, he believed that he would still have enough strength left to place Bloody Flame at Wang Dao’s neck.

He might even pretend to cough up blood during the fight and use it to interfere with his opponent’s vision. Then, with lightning fast movements, he would stick a crystal bomb covered in Stone Statue Fungus liquid on his opponent’s back to blast their spine into bits. In the end, if he needed something more, he would bring out a pistol with crystal bullets and fire a shot at their forehead.

Of course, his best strategy was to actually disappear into the crowd a few days ahead to figure out where his target lived and how he went about his daily life. Then, while he slept, he would sneak in and cut his throat or think of a way to poison his food.

This was his fighting style in a real fight!

However, since they were competing in front of people and he wanted to promote the Ultimate Style, it was best if he did not use such sinister methods. It was much more appropriate to use righteous methods.

Wu Wu led the remnants of the alliance of the five universities against the remaining ten or so freshmen from Dragon City. Based on the cheers that came from the students who were sent out of the arena, Wu Wu, who had also practiced the Ultimate Style, brought even more surprises to the spectators.

But Meng Chao no longer cared about the results of the tournament.

In his field of vision, a dazzling ball of flames rose before it turned into rows of golden notifications.

[Completed the renewed fourth segment of the Fight for the Ultimate Style, where you are supposed to win against at least five Overkill Style users who are at the same level as you are during the interuniversity tournament!]

[Congratulations, Fire Relayer, you have completed all the quests of the Fight for the Ultimate Style quest chain. Due to your hard work, the Ultimate Style has managed to shine with glory several years ahead of its time. Many of the superhumans and normal citizens have gotten to know the advantages of the brand new fighting model, and they will now begin to think about it and train in it. The chain reactions have already been formed, and there will no longer be anyone that can stop the Ultimate Style’s rise to power.]



[Quest Rewards: 50,000 contribution points. You can choose to awaken a brand new supernatural ability and three skills whose Skillfulness you want to increase by one level.]

Meng Chao did not hesitate and chose to awaken Bizarre Stab.

Walking Corpse and Bizarre Stab were the lurking and assassination secret techniques that the black skull instructor had taught Meng Chao when he joined the mysterious and unfathomable training camp in his previous life.

Walking Corpse could minimize his physiological functions and make all his organs enter a state of near hibernation while still allowing him to maintain great motor functions.

Bizarre Stab would allow him to use all sorts of inconceivable methods, tools, and skills to quietly take his opponent's life in one move.

An assassin skilled in these two skills was a true ghost.

Meng Chao grunted while he experienced the pleasurable sensation that came after the pain when he experienced his old memories crashing into his mind.

At that moment, his spirit energy value had reached the limit of a two-star superhuman. He had cleared 45 main meridians and one dragon meridian surrounding his spine.

Among the 1,024 branch meridians, at least 50% of them had crystalized. His body functions were so strong that he would definitely not lose to a normal three-star superhuman.

He had two killing moves. One of them was the Thousand Moon Slash, which was used to bind enemies and perform crowd control. The other was Demon Subduing Slash, which was used to determine a fight in one swift move. He had pushed them to Perfect Level, and now, his aim was to push them to Ultimate Level.

As for the two secret techniques he had only just begun practicing, he pushed Walking Corpse to Master Level and raised Bizarre Stab with the Skillfulness reward to Specialist Level.

After several months of fierce training, fighting, and harvesting, his senses, finger agility, and knowledge of monster structures had increased by leaps and bounds. Once he dumped a large amount of contribution points into it, his Basic Harvesting Skill also reached Perfect Level.

It could be said that there were only a handful of monsters that could stump Meng Chao now. When he swept his gaze over the monsters, they were naked in front of him.

'We won in the northern offense.

'The Ultimate Style is also going to be promoted to the whole city.

'My strength has also increased to the point where I can fight against those at the peak of Earth Realm.

'Regardless of whether it's my fate or Dragon City's fate, everything is changing in a good direction. But I can't let my guard down. Once we gain full victory in the northern offense, the subsequent development of the city will definitely be different from my memories. Many of the things I remember will not happen, but knowledge of them might interfere with my judgment.

'But there is one thing I can be certain of, and it is that the Nine Great Supernatural Entities won't take this lying down. They will definitely launch an even fiercer counterattack.

'But if we lock down on these abnormal beasts with intelligence and get rid of their threat, we'll be able to gain full victory in the Monster War, right?'

As he thought of this, the flames before Meng Chao's eyes jumped, and a brand new quest popped up.

[A sturdy fortress is always taken down from the inside. Often, a soft brain is much more dangerous compared to sharp claws.

[Quest: Mystery of the Supernatural Entities

[Quest Details: The abnormal beasts possessing great intelligence known as Supernatural Entities have infiltrated Dragon City. Search for the secrets and uncover them so that you can bring true victory to Dragon City!

[Quest Difficulty: Unknown

[Quest Reward: Unknown]

'I knew it. The Nine... No, it should be the Eight Great Supernatural Entities are my next opponents.'

Meng Chao's mind raced. 'But isn't Kindling being a little too unreliable? The difficulty and reward are both unknown. And it didn't even tell me the way to complete the quest. I don't have a single clue as to how I'm supposed to find these Supernatural Entities. It's asking me to search for a needle in a haystack, but where am I even supposed to begin?

'Looks like Kindling is really not omniscient and all-powerful. Or rather, its ability increases as my brain improves, and the more stuff I remember, the more quest information I unlock.'

Even though the quest description was really unclear, Meng Chao was still able to seize two key points.

First, the quest was named the Mystery of the Supernatural Entities. The requirements were for him to find and uncover the secrets behind the Supernatural Entities, not to completely get rid of them.

What did it mean? Did Kindling think that Meng Chao was still too weak and could only look for clues before reporting them to the official organizations like the abnormal beast research department? Then, there would naturally be Deity Realm elites who would attack the Supernatural Entities.

Or maybe it was not yet the time to get rid of the Supernatural Entities. Instead, it was more important for the future of Dragon City for him to uncover the truth behind their existence.

Also, what did it mean by "bring true victory to Dragon City"?

In his previous life, Dragon City went through years of bloody war. Even though they paid a devastating price for it, they did win the Monster War.

Could it be that Kindling thought that the devastating victory for which they had sacrificed a lot of their own was actually a false victory and wanted them to defeat their enemies effortlessly and sweep them down while remaining uninjured, because this was "true victory"? Did it think that this was the only way for them to have the right to join the next war in the Other World?

However, it might not be a problem of them suffering major losses or not. As Kindling gained more information, it might not believe that Dragon City had actually won the Monster War in his previous life.

Meng Chao decided to think about these questions later.

Cheers had erupted all around him like an avalanche.

All the students in the resting area for the alliance of the five universities jumped up in excitement.

Chu Feixiong, Duan Lian, Xie Feng, and around eight other built boys hugged Meng Chao tightly. They first squeezed him so tightly that he winced, then tossed him high into the air.

“We won!”

“Hurray!”

“After ten years, for the first time, we finally won against Dragon City University!”

### **Chapter 267: Greedy**

Once the freshmen interuniversity tournament between Dragon City University and the alliance of the five universities ended with the alliance of the five universities winning, Meng Chao’s battles in the northern frontlines came to an end for the time being.

The large scale fights had already ended, and the Red Dragon Army had set up intersecting steel barbwire all around Shattered Starlake. Now, not many monsters dared to step into the territory occupied by humans, and Dragon City’s main task changed from fighting to constructing. The superhumans could finally take turns to go back to the city to rest, and the students could now take a comfortable winter holiday.

Meng Chao spent his New Year celebration at home as if his mother was trying to stuff him like a turkey served during Thanksgiving.

Even if his digestive system had become much better after he became a two-star superhuman and he could easily shove food down his throat, he was still stuffed full of grease by all the New Year food Bai Suxin had prepared and could not breathe from all the food he ate. In the end, when he saw sausages, he felt his legs go weak and ran away with his younger sister.

Aside from this, everything was good, especially when he saw the prosperous and happy sights on the streets. It was completely different from the desolate and gloomy atmosphere he remembered from his previous life. It gave him the feeling that “everything was worth it”.

The first thing Meng Chao did after the New Year celebration was visiting his elementary school homeroom teacher. He also went to his principal to say that he wanted to rebuild and upgrade Blessed Heavenly Street Elementary School in Lin Chuan’s name.

They would need a large sum of money to fully upgrade an elementary school, but Lu Siya wanted to fulfill Lin Chuan’s dying wish as well, so she insisted on supplying that large sum of money. Meng Chao himself was also no longer a normal teenager who was tight on money.

The Ripple Force V2 that Yan Organization had announced stirred up a hot wave in the market. It had signed contracts with middle schools, elementary schools, the Red Dragon Army, and industries that faced a certain degree of danger because they worked in the wild. This turned the Ripple Force into the head of the three great force execution methods.

This happened because the Future Ripple Force that Meng Chao provided had given Yan Organization a lot of inspiration. Yan Hengbo, the head of the organization, was not a short-sighted man. He did not hold back even a single penny of the money Meng Chao should have received.

And due to Meng Chao's spectacular performance at the northern frontlines, especially when he swung Surging Lightning during the freshmen interuniversity tournament to force Wang Dao, who was Dragon City University's strongest, to a tie, Surging Lightning gradually entered a lot of people's sights.

Based on what Luo Hai said, there were already more than five thousand orders for this saber before it was even up in the market. The research labs of the martial arts course in various universities, including private evaluation organizations, gave really good feedback, and they predicted that it would become a hot-selling item on the Year 56.

As for the Ultimate Style, Agricultural University gave a lot of support for it. The research centers were set up one by one, and they were filled with customers every day. Many citizens came forth to experience the cultivation style. Hospitals, old folk's homes, schools, and military organizations also queued up to buy the cultivation cabins for the Ultimate Style. This was a pie that was still growing, so there was astronomical profit within it.

Aside from this, the high wages from the mine exploration, the huge amount of rewards Meng Chao gained from killing thousands of monsters in the northern offense, the rewards he exchanged from his war achievements, the subsidies given by his university for going to war, the subsidies from the researches, the subsidies from carrying out dangerous missions, and the other stuff turned Meng Chao into quite the rich man when he added all the money he gained together.

This sum of money was enough to help Lin Chuan fulfill his wish.

He could also help his mother complete her final expensive treatment.

After she regained full mobility, he booked a full restaurant for her and his father in the most lavish hotel so that they could go and act like a shameless couple in there.

When Meng Yishan saw how mature and capable his son was, he was gratified, but he did not slack off either. The skills and connections he accumulated after twenty years displayed their power like a volcano. Soon, he expanded Superstar Resource Recovery Company several times its original size and opened up the upstream and downstream production channels from Thunderbolt to the military food production factories, which allowed him to receive a few major deals.

Now, in the middle-grade and low-grade harvesting circle, Superstar could be considered a golden company with great power.

And when a person faced happy things, they were high-spirited. At that moment, Meng Yishan's graying hair started turning black and shiny. He seemed to have become ten years younger when compared to

his previous self, when he was exhausted and dispirited. Now, all his focus was on going all out to realize his ambition.

However, the company had just been set up and its foundation was not stable. Since he was not a superhuman either, he ran into a bottleneck once he expanded his company to its current scale.

If he wanted to continue expanding and make his company even more powerful, his team could not help him.

At that moment, Meng Chao gave his father a terrifying idea — take over other companies!

He could take over other veteran resource recovery companies and use their connections and resources to swiftly increase Superstar's scale and strength. Then, through this rare tactical blessing, it would rise by leaps and bounds.

"Dad, based on your achievements over the past half a year and the deals you've managed to get, you can get three-five times the resources you need from the business field. If it's not enough, I have money too. We can also get more investors.

"But as long as Dragon City doesn't slow down its expansion speed, we will continue to have an endless supply of monster materials to deal with. At such a time, the one who has guts will be able to seize the entire pie," Meng Chao motivated his father.

Meng Yishan was very impressed with his son's judgment and skills. If his son had not insisted on it in the beginning, he would not have left Prosperity so willingly, but just half a year since then, he had managed to create a huge business. He still felt like he was dreaming.

He heard everything his son said, and he had long since been thinking of getting loans from the bank to expand the company.

But it would not be easy for him to find targets to take over.

Since Dragon City gained victory in the northern offense, most of the resource recovery companies in Dragon City lived pretty good lives. Aside from the ambitious ones who wanted to expand, there was simply no need for them to accept investments from other companies, much less accept a take over.

Besides, Superstar did not have a solid foundation. If the companies they took over were too small, there would be no meaning to it. But if they were too big, they would be greedy and face the risk of not being able to take them over completely.

But since Meng Chao gave the idea, he was naturally confident in himself. He smiled and gave a name that shocked Meng Yishan.

"Prosperity Resource Recovery Company!" Meng Chao said firmly. "As long as we buy Prosperity, Superstar will be able to upgrade itself to a whole new level. One of these days, it will become the largest resource recovery company in Dragon City!"

When he saw how shocked and puzzled his father was, Meng Chao explained things in detail.

First of all, ever since Prosperity lost a large batch of its skilled harvesters half a year ago, it received a huge blow to its foundation, and since the management was not good, they lost a few major deals one

after another. Since there was a lack of skilled harvesters in the market as well, Prosperity never had the chance to “heal”, and its reputation was no longer as great as before.

Second, one of Prosperity’s main deals was helping Frenzied Saber harvest monsters. But since Frenzied Saber was completely wiped out in the northern offense, this job was gone, and the operations of the company were getting worse.

Third, Prosperity’s boss, Qin Hu, was heavily injured during the northern offense and lost his ability to fight for the time being. Right now, he was working together with Project 1024 of Agricultural University’s martial arts course with the hopes of using the Ultimate Style to clear his clogged up spirit meridians. He did not have the energy to manage his resource recovery company, and he had long been thinking about giving it away completely, but he had just not found a suitable buyer.

“We’ll gain a lot of benefits if we buy Prosperity,” Meng Chao said with a smile. “First, even if a veteran company is at its weakest, it’s still stronger than a new company. Prosperity is a veteran resource recovery company that has been around for years. Even though a large group of skilled harvesters left last year, there are still a few skilled harvesters which stand as the pillars.

“If we can draw their entire team over, we will instantly upgrade Superstar’s skills. I can also look for some of the lecturers and students from Agricultural University’s resource course to form a school-enterprise alliance, so we’ll even be able to take deals to harvest Nightmarish Beasts

“Second, and this is the most important of all. Prosperity has a lot of connections and resources in the circle. They were left in the back when Frenzied Saber was at its strongest, but no matter what, this circle isn’t indifferent to its members. Once everyone learns that the entire Frenzied Saber has fallen, many of the hunters will lament over this and will think about paying some respect to Qin Hu and Prosperity.

“If we buy Prosperity and take in those connections and resources, it will help a lot with Superstar’s growth.

“Third, we were originally one team. Even though we were enemies at one point and slightly displeased with each other, in the face of profit, this is nothing. I believe that once we’re bound together again, we’ll cut down on a lot of the unnecessary costs that are inflicted by our conflict. Then, we’ll make the brand new Superstar occupy the biggest portion of the market at the fastest speed possible.”

Meng Yishan knew that his son was right.

But he still thought that this was all wishful thinking.

“But Qin Hu...” he said hesitantly.

“Trust me, Dad, among all your problems, Qin Hu is the least of them.” Meng Chao smiled brilliantly.

The trade proceeded smoother than Meng Yishan thought it would.

In truth, while Superstar wanted to expand, Qin Hu wanted to cast aside Prosperity, because it was a huge burden that just gave him endless problems.

He might appear crude and arrogant, but that was a false impression he put on in the business field and the hunter circle. He was actually a very cautious person and knew better than anyone that after Meng

Chao absorbed the spirit energy from the Red Radiance Jades and Blue Origin Crystals and got so many forces of power favoring him, he now possessed a lot of potential.

It was one of his wishes to get a chance to bind his interests with Meng Chao's.

The only tiny problem in this was... Shen Rongfa.

"The others can stay, but that Shen Rongfa must leave!"

This was something Meng Chao mentioned in his father's place, and he gave no room for discussion.

Qin Hu agreed to it straight away.

Just as he promised, he kicked Shen Rongfa to the side, and, apparently, he could no longer stay in the harvester circle.

Meng Chao was very curious. He asked Qin Hu in private as to how he was planning to talk to his wife about this.

Qin Hu replied proudly that he told his wife that he had lost his abilities and was now just a normal person. His former enemy came to his doorstep to settle a grudge, and he could not even protect himself, so how could he protect his brother-in-law? The takeover of the company was Meng Chao being petty and taking revenge. He came to settle accounts! If Qin Hu's brother-in-law did not leave for his safety, he would not even know how he died!

Meng Chao found himself speechless when he heard the answer.

But no matter what, Superstar had successfully taken over Prosperity and completed its grand move of eating a major target. It also threw a powerful deep water bomb into the harvesting circle. Now, Superstar had broken down the wall that stood in its way toward higher circles and could sail through the waves to fulfill its ambitions.

### **Chapter 268: The Out of Control Pets**

Once Meng Chao was done with the matters in his house, the new semester arrived. He poured his heart and soul into training, but from time to time, he received interviews, had to test Surging Lightning, and accepted an invitation by Yan Organization to participate in the subsequent upgrades of Ripple Force V2. His life was simple and fulfilling.

At some unknown point in time, 70% of his spirit meridians had crystallized, and their strength as well as runoff volume increased at least two times. He also reached Master Level or Perfect Level with all his skills.

The only thing missing was that he still had no clues in regard to his quest to search for the Supernatural Entities.

In the beginning, when Lu Siya invited him to join the abnormal beast research department, Meng Chao hesitated a little. He was a reserved person and would not join any organization just because someone asked him, or else it would make him look like he had no class whatsoever.

Hence, he decided that he had to choose his missions carefully when Lu Siya came to him, talk about how he should carry them out, and seize the chance to talk about the relationship between normal people and superhumans to teach Lu Siya.

But in the next few months, aside from the reconstruction of Blessed Heavenly Street Elementary School, Lu Siya never once looked for him, and it left him anxious.

So, he could only be shameless and search for Lu Siya on his own in hopes of getting some information about abnormal beasts.

Lu Siya seemed to have seen through his thoughts and told him to stay calm and wait. There was internal conflict in the abnormal beast research department right now, and she was just a supporter whose Spike Art was occasionally useful. She was only allowed to join the department because of Lu family's fame and Sky Pillar Corporation. Even if she obtained a mission, it would be just about recruitment or to help other investigators as an assistant.

The ambitious Lu Siya was definitely not satisfied with her current position. She had to reveal her strength and card through the relationships between the members in the department before she could do whatever she wanted.

Lu Siya did fulfill her promise, though, and gave Meng Chao some information about the abnormal beasts.

But to Meng Chao, these so-called abnormal beasts were just a little smarter. They knew how to hide in dark corners and hide when chased by powerful humans or were pets who knew how to open doors, go to the toilet, and flush it. They were completely different from the Supernatural Entities who smiled savagely in his previous life.

And lately, Dragon City was in a state of calm. Ever since they got rid of the three Apocalyptic Beasts in the northern offense, the remaining monsters seemed to have been terrified by humanity's ferocity. The monsters in the east, west, and south all announced a ceasefire and did not dare to rush into Dragon City again. And the monsters who were transported to Dragon City by the space-time rifts fled the moment they crawled out of the fog. They did not pose any threat.

The monsters were now really weak so all the superhumans felt as if they had nowhere to use their strength.

Even Meng Chao himself wondered whether the Monster War would end just like that.

But one day, Ning Shewo invited him to join a special harvest.

By then, Meng Chao had become a two-star superhuman, his 1,024 branch meridians had all crystalized, and his harvesting skills had improved dramatically.

Not only had he mastered the Basic Harvesting Skill, he had also activated the Intermediate Harvesting Skill, which was meant specifically for Nightmarish Beasts, and he pushed even it to Master Level. He could now harvest most monsters by himself, and he had helped Ning Shewo harvest a few Nightmarish Beasts. It helped his fame spread out of Agricultural University's martial arts course, and he began showing his splendor in the harvesting circle.



Hence, when Ning Shewo looked for him to observe the injury examination of biochemical pets, he was very puzzled.

The biochemical pets taken in by normal families were different from the biochemical fighting beasts controlled by monster controllers. There were seldom normal people who would take care of Nightmarish Beasts as pets, because the local government would not allow it!

However, once they were genetically modified and inserted with control chips, even normal harvesters had no problem dissecting them, much less Meng Chao, who was already used to them. Did they need to ask specialists like Ning Shewo and Meng Chao to observe it?

“You don’t understand. This matter itself isn’t hard, but it’s linked to many parties, and we have to look for someone who isn’t too highly ranked but has great skill, and most importantly, someone I trust and can rely on.”

Once they left Agricultural University’s compound, Ning Shewo asked Meng Chao, “Have you heard of Spirit Creation before?”

Meng Chao nodded. “Spirit Creation Living Tech Private Limited. Of course I’ve heard of them. They’re a company that specializes in using biochemicals and electronics to modify monsters. They reduce their ferocity and turn them into biochemical beasts that serve humans. Many of the biochemical beasts they modify are very popular. They can be pets and beasts of labor. I keep a Sword-toothed Hunting Dog at home, and it was made by Spirit Creation.”

“It’s good that you heard of them before.” Ning Shewo cleared his throat. “The creator of Spirit Creation is an alumni of Agricultural University, and back in the day, he started his business in the research labs of Agricultural University’s biochemical course. Later, he received investments from Agricultural University... and I also invested a little in Spirit Creation.”

“Wow, Elder Ning, monster modification technology has been really popular as of late, and many citizens are buying biochemical beasts to help them with their work or lives. Spirit Creation has been growing, and I heard that their shares have increased in value several times their original value. You really have a sharp eye for good investments! You must be rich now!” Meng Chao teased him.

“I don’t have a lot of shares in this, but the two creators of Spirit Creation once listened to my lectures, and we can engage in pretty good conversations. We can be considered to be friends despite the generation gap. When they just started building their company, they had some difficulties in running it, so I helped them a little. Very soon, the company grew, and they completely forgot about this old sack of bones!”

Ning Shewo’s smile faded swiftly. He sighed and said, “But now, Spirit Creation has run into some troubles, and you must keep this matter an absolute secret, understand?”

“Got it, but you still haven’t mentioned just what the matter is!” Meng Chao was curious.

Ever since Ning Shewo leveled up to a pseudo heroic citizen and set up the Fire Relayer Foundation, he gained a high understanding of the value of his life. Even his harvesting skills had seemed to still be improving, despite his achievements. There was seldom anything that troubled him.

“This is what’s going on. Three of the biochemical pets that Spirit Creation modified... became violent overnight and killed their masters,” Ning Shewo said quickly.

“What?!” Meng Chao nearly jumped up.

“Now, you should understand why I asked you out in secret and why I only have the both of us on this trip. I didn’t even take Xueshi,” Ning Shewo said. “No matter how cute, powerful, or good at their work the biochemical beasts Spirit Creation modifies are, to an industry which modifies monsters as their signature, all of the things I mentioned are secondary.

“The most important thing is still safety. If the biochemical beasts that stay with you all the time could lose control at any random moment and turn into violent, normal monsters, no one would be able to stand it.”

“Yeah, this is a very serious flaw in the quality of their products. If we become certain that this is a problem with Spirit Creation, the families of the victims will definitely sue the company until they go bankrupt.” Meng Chao agreed to it.

“But will this just lead to Spirit Creation going bankrupt?” Ning Shewo looked at Meng Chao in a very profound manner. “Meng Chao, what do you think is the greatest difference between Dragon City’s civilization and Earth’s civilization?”

Meng Chao was slightly stunned.

His first instinct was to retort by saying that Dragon City was part of Earth, and so Dragon City’s civilization was also part of Earth’s civilization, which meant that there was no difference between them, but when he thought about it, Dragon City had transmigrated to the Other World for more than half a century, and during this period of time, the threats and difficulties Dragon City faced, and the appearance of the new resources, new races, and new ranks had caused them to change.

Meng Chao thought about it for a while before he said, “It’s the superhumans?”

“They’re one of the reasons. There are no superhumans on Earth who can control the weather and move mountains and seas.” Ning Shewo paused for a moment. “But there’s one more thing. Our ability to domesticate and use monsters has largely surpassed the degree to which humans on Earth were able to domesticate and use animals.

“Hence, even though we have been fighting against monsters for the past half a century, when a large number of monsters surges into Dragon City, they aren’t just exterminated. They’re also captured, modified, domesticated, and used for our purposes.

“Now, many of the families are keeping biochemical beasts as pets in their houses. But they aren’t just pets. They can help their masters with a lot of tasks. You must understand, there are plenty of citizens who are disabled because of the war, and they have also contracted all sorts of diseases, so life is pretty difficult for them. The biochemical beasts reduce most their workload and decrease the suffering they have to endure.

“I don’t even have to mention how some of the biochemical beasts have a certain degree of fighting strength, right? When the monsters invade us, they fight alongside their masters without hesitation.

“During the construction of the city and subsequent expansion and development, there will be even more uses for the biochemical beasts.

“In the past, many of the biochemical beasts were used during Dragon City’s Great Construction Era. Many of the hornet-nest underground apartments in Dragon City, dozens of the railroads, and thousands of the underground asylums were dug out by Giant Sandworms.

“Right now, Shattered Starlake and Graveyard Forest are being developed, and if we want to turn the swamps into fertile land as soon as possible, develop the underground mines, build intersecting underground communication lines and sturdy fortresses, we will once again need help from biochemical beasts.

“I believe that as we continue speeding up our process of colonization, the biochemical beasts will definitely become even more useful.

“This is the greatest difference between Dragon City’s civilization and Earth’s civilization.

“On Earth, as industrialization rose, machines gradually became the main force of work, and using animals as our workforce stopped being a necessity. They only used animals as labor in terrible environments where machines were not useful.

“And in the Other World, since the energy contained in crystals is too wild and since spirit energy magnetic field interferences affect everything at the atomic level, materials are heavily affected, so we’re unable to use a lot of the sophisticated machines. Instead, monsters who are incredibly powerful and contain some comprehension and communication abilities became a labor force that is much more effective than the cattle on Earth.

“If we treat Earth’s civilization which is completely mechanized, then the Dragon Citizens who transmigrated to the Other World are a civilization that is only partially mechanized, and the other half is unified with monster civilization. We cannot cast aside the possibility of using monsters to help us build our civilization, yes?”

Meng Chao remembered Lin Chuan and the White Spirit, and he nodded.

“But using monsters as labor is a double-edged sword, and if we want to use them effectively, we must first ensure that they are safe to be used.” Ning Shewo frowned. “Now, biochemical pets killed people, and three masters have died in a row. Do you think that Spirit Creation will be the only ones affected? No, the development of all of Dragon City and even the survival of Agricultural University will also be affected, because it’s known as the Monster University!”

### **Chapter 269: New Spirit Beasts**

Meng Chao thought about it for a while, but he could somewhat understand it. “Yes, when you put it that way, I feel a little terrified as well, and I wonder whether I can continue keeping my Sword-toothed Hunting Dog at home as a pet. Even if it’s a biochemical pet modified by another company, it still contains the possibility of going out of control, and it’s the same as me putting a ticking time bomb at home. Though I have to say, it’s not actually modified by another company and was modified by Spirit Creations.

“If this creates a ruckus, it will be bad news to all people who are in the monster modification business in Dragon City, and many citizens will even begin wondering whether we should really continue down the path of using monsters in our civilization.

“Agricultural University is known as Monster University, and many of the research projects in the university are related to biochemical modifications. A lot of our alumni work in this field, so we share a relationship where if one of us enjoys success, all of us will enjoy success, and if one of us falls, all of us will fall. This is indeed not something that concerns just Spirit Creation.

“But I don’t understand. Since the matter is so bad, why did they ask us to go and observe it? There are other experts in this field from Agricultural University, right?”

Ning Shewo agreed. “It’s precisely because the matter is so serious and it involves all sorts of complicated interests that the university doesn’t want anyone to have a chance to get blackmail on the university.

“Right now, the matter is still a highly classified case. The news media and the other media outlets aren’t involved, so it hasn’t spread through the entire city, but I heard that the other party is very unyielding in this, so we might not be able to settle this matter on friendly terms.

“Agricultural University doesn’t want to get any blame, but they don’t want the matter to get worse either. So they hope that we can keep it down and settle the matter appropriately. Hence, it’s impossible for the experts who are officially in this field to take care of the matter, and that’s why they looked for me.

“I’m a guest lecturer in Agricultural University and one of the shareholders of Spirit Creation. I have a rather flexible status. As for you, as a freshman of Agricultural University who shares a pretty good relationship with me and also has a pretty positive image on social media platforms, you have a lot of room to solve the problem, and you can be flexible in your methods too.”

Meng Chao thought about it for a moment before he frowned and said, “Elder Ning, are you thinking about using our skills to cover up or change the examination results?”

“Of course not. The amount of shares I have in Spirit Creation isn’t so great that I’d gamble away my entire lifetime’s reputation,” Ning Shewo said sternly. “If the final results of the examination show that something really went wrong with Spirit Creation’s biochemical modifications, even if the company goes bankrupt and the related personnel are sent to court, it’s only natural. After all, three people died because of this!

“But the creators of Spirit Creation promised that there is absolutely nothing wrong with the company’s biochemical modifications. They used well-developed modification technology to modify the three biochemical pets, and they have used the same technology on thousands of pets. Such malicious cases have never appeared before, so the creators suspect that there’s something else going on. We have to be on guard.

“In any case, we have to keep our eyes open this time. We must make sure that no one does anything to the pets during the process of injury examination and inspection of the carcass. We also have to find the reason behind why the biochemical pets became violent. That is all.”

As he spoke, they arrived at Nine Sands Advanced Biotech Development Area, which was not far away from Agricultural University.

They went in a direction that was filled with the pungent and moist scent of earth, and soon, they found a building called Spirit Creation Creatures, which was located at the center of a Giant Sandworm farm.

Giant Sandworms were the first monsters that humans domesticated and modified.

They looked like earthworms magnified a hundred times. Their heads seemed to have been split open, and they had rows of fangs all over their mouths. This made them look monstrous, but in truth, they were pretty gentle creatures that did not take the initiative to attack humans. Instead, they feasted on snakes, insects, rats, and ants in the earth, along with the garbage created by humans.

They could crush sturdy rocks with the fangs all over their mouths and digest as well as absorb all sorts of garbage that was difficult to degrade. Then, once humans modified their excretion, they could turn it into high-grade natural fertilizer. Giant Sandworms were a “model monster”, and during the most difficult times in Dragon City, they helped humans.

Now, Giant Sandworms were one of the biochemical monsters Dragon City could not live without, and there were three main reasons for it.

First, they could be used to dig underground spaces, create asylums, subways, tunnels, hornet nest-shaped underground cities, and mine crystal mines.

Second, they could be used to get rid of trash. There were tens of millions of people in Dragon City, and they lived in an area spanning thousands of square kilometers. The amount of trash they created as they went about their daily activities was astronomical. If they did not have the Giant Sandworms continuously eating the trash and excreting fertilizer, the city would have long since been buried under trash. Not only would it stink, they would also suffer from plagues.

Third, certain breeds of Giant Sandworms could be modified in unique ways so their meat would turn really juicy and rich. It would not lose to the legendary crab meat, and they could produce a lot of it. It was also very easy to rear this breed, so it was really good emergency food.

Ning Shewo introduced the place. “Spirit Creation’s hit product are certain types of Giant Sandworms. You can see them when the city deals with its trash and digs tunnels.”

They had relied on Giant Sandworms to open the market, then gradually moved to the modification of middle-sized and small beasts of labor and pets.

As Meng Chao expected, when he walked into Spirit Creation, he saw two large monitors to his left and right playing the company’s promotional clips. They had really adorable Golden Retrievers opening doors for their masters, picking up items, leading the blind, and even massaging them. They were all cheerful and peaceful sights.

Then, the scenes changed. When Dragon City was invaded by monsters and houses collapsed, the Golden Retrievers all unhesitantly revealed their fangs and fought against the invading monsters. They also used their heightened senses of smell and powerful claws to dig around the rubble to save their trapped masters.

Meng Chao gasped in amazement when he saw this, and he asked Ning Shewo softly, “Can they really produce pets that have all the functions mentioned in the promotion?”

“Spirit Creation is ambitious. They want to create a new generation of even more intelligent pets and think that the term ‘biochemical beasts’ carries negative connotations. It’s not suitable for them to use this term to promote their creations in the market, so they’re prepared to unify the standards of the new generation of intelligent pets and call them spirit beasts. They would be great helpers that cannot go missing from human civilization.

“Right now, their creatures have definitely not reached the standards of what they promote, but this is what they’re working on. They want to gather the advantages of guide dogs, hearing dogs, emergency relief dogs, police dogs, and even military dogs into one, and this creature would then possess the intelligence of a ten-year-old child. That way, they would be able to serve humans even better.”

“Is that so?” Meng Chao fell into deep thought.

Together they went into a reception room with a French window that looked onto the rearing pond of Giant Sandworms. In the room, they met one of the creators of Spirit Creation Creatures, Xie Xiaolei.

He was a middle-aged man in his forties with elegant air, but his eyes were intense, and he was full of life.

His clothes were casual and seemed to be randomly picked, but the texture of the materials was pretty good.

Even if the company was facing a major crisis, he still smiled nonchalantly, as if victory was in his hands.

He was the type of person that anyone would be able to tell that he was one of the creators of a high-tech company.

“Elder Ning, I’m really sorry for bothering you again.” Xie Xiaolei retained an elegant air as he apologized to Ning Shewo. Then, he extended his hand to Meng Chao and said with a smile, “Meng Chao, hello. Recently, your story has been circulating among the alumni of Agricultural University.

“I heard that you led the freshmen of the alliance of the five universities and won against those arrogant geniuses from Dragon City University, which allowed Monster University to feel proud of itself. As your senior, I have to thank you.”

Meng Chao blushed a little. ‘It’s no wonder why his business is so successful. His ability for praising others is amazing, and he does it so subtly too!’

Of course, he also sensed really powerful spirit energy ripples surrounding Xie Xiaolei, especially around his hands and brain. His vitality magnetic field was full of life, and he was a typical supporter-class superhuman. He might have already reached Heaven Realm as well; otherwise, it would have been impossible for him to have the ambition of unifying the standards of the new generation of intelligent biochemical beasts.

The three of them sat down, and Ning Shewo said, “Xiaolei, why don’t you tell us what is going on? I immediately came over after I heard the news, so I still don’t know the details. Just how did this happen?”

“Two days ago, three cases of biochemical pets attacking their owners happened one after another in Blessed Paradise, and it ended in a tragedy of three people dying and one person being wounded. The wounded went through great shock, so their mental strength index fell. This person is currently being treated in the hospital,” Xie Xiaolei said briefly.

Ning Shewo and Meng Chao looked at each other.

Blessed Paradise was a pretty high-grade commercial housing area. Even though it was not as lavish as Dragon City No.1, it was not a place where normal people could live.

The families there usually had a certain degree of economic power. They were the pillars of their units or fighting squads and had a lot of connections, so they could influence various areas to overturn Spirit Creation.

Ning Shewo thought about it and said, “Two days ago? You haven’t performed the corpse inspection?”

“The victims were all inspected. It’s already been verified that they were killed by the three biochemical pets. The three biochemical pets were killed by the neighbors and security guards who heard the ruckus. Their carcasses are a mess, which has been frozen and preserved. We haven’t performed a thorough examination on them. We asked you and Meng Chao here as witnesses to ensure that nothing goes wrong with the inspection of the biochemical pets,” Xie Xiaolei said.

When Ning Shewo heard this, his gaze became sharp. “Xiaolei, tell me honestly. Are there any problems with Spirit Creation’s creatures? I heard that you’ve tried a lot of extreme modification methods to create a new generation of spirit beasts. If this is really a problem with the company, then admit it honestly. If you have to be punished, accept it. Even if you go bankrupt because of it, this is still the best outcome.

“If you have ulterior motives and think that Agricultural University or I can save you, I will tell you straight away that even God won’t be able to save you. At that time, it’s not the police or court who will come to your doorstep, but the adjudicators from the Supernatural Tower, and you won’t even have the time to cry!”

“No way.” Xie Xiaolei defended his innocence. “Even though we’ve tried all sorts of rather advanced modification methods on the new generation of spirit beasts, these three biochemical pets who became violent are old generation models that were modified using well-developed methods. Nothing could have happened to them! There must be someone behind this!”

“Oh? Since you haven’t dissected the biochemical pets before, how can you be certain that someone may be scheming against you?” Ning Shewo asked.

“Because among the three deceased, one of them is from Heavenly Works, a competitor of Spirit Creations,” Xie Xiaolei said. “Right now, Spirit Creations and Heavenly Works are competing for a major project. Spirit Creation’s capital, time proposed for the project, energy consumption, and effect to the environment have all won out. But now, at this critical moment, a member of the middle-rank management was killed by one of the creatures from Spirit Creations. There’s no way such a coincidence can exist!”

## **Chapter 270: Not a Scheme?**

When Dragon City just transmigrated, it was a civilization based purely on machines. The constructions of the city, its operations and defenses were all based on various types of machines.

But as they ran out of energy and the failure rate of the machines just kept increasing, many of the sophisticated machines were rendered useless, and they gradually lost the technological legacy from Earth.

Before the rise of the new generation of machines made with the carving of runes and crystal engines, the transmigrators had to temporarily live in the ancient era where they relied on manual labor and beasts of labor.

However, they soon discovered that when the superhumans who cultivated spirit energy and the monsters who had endless power were grouped together, they could bring out power that did not lose to that of heavy construction machines, and to a certain degree, they had power that those cold metals could not compare to.

Even when runic symbol technology was developed and new automatic machines were continuously developed, the humans' will to modify monsters and head down the path of biotech never changed.

And the clash of machine civilization and biochemical civilization spread through various levels of Dragon City.

The clash between Spirit Creations Creatures and Heavenly Works Machines was the most typical example.

Heavenly Works Machines was the company that was the first to use runic symbol technology on large construction machines.

When the ancient machines from Earth were rendered useless and started becoming covered in rust, the new general heavy machines entered various frontlines. They were covered in runic symbols, spat out spirit energy, had black smoke rolling out of them, and let out deafening roars while they performed various forms of construction and other work for Dragon City's development. Heavenly Work Machines was the symbol among all the companies dealing with machines.

To this date, the dozens of different type construction machines that Heavenly Work Machines created were digging tunnels, building forts, creating hornet nest-shaped residential areas, developing the roads leading from Dragon City to the mines around it... They were extremely useful in various areas.

However, construction machines that relied on runic symbol technology were facing incredibly powerful challengers.

The Giant Sandworms modified by Spirit Creation Creatures could replace traditional tunnel boring machines, roadheaders, excavating machines, and all sorts of underground construction machines. The capital they used to clear each kilometer of a tunnel was only one-third of a runic symbol machine, and they did not pollute the environment and were not a public nuisance. They produced slightly smaller tremors in the area, and so, they could be used in weaker terrain or underneath buildings.

With this advantage, Spirit Creation Creatures had already snatched quite a number of deals from Heavenly Works Machines.



This time, the battlefield of their fight was Subway No.20 in Dragon City.

It was an incredibly important subway because it would go through Red Dragon River, and for the first time over the past half a century, it would connect the main city area with Jiangnan.

The construction had a lot of significance, and the difficulty was naturally very high as well.

Red Dragon River was wider than many of the famous rivers on Earth due to the rivers from the Other World joining together with it. There were also various monsters who were very sensitive to tremors in the river, and they would cause a rampage if they sensed anything off. It was not an easy task to clear an underground tunnel that would span several kilometers.

Despite the difficulties, the construction companies in Dragon City still rubbed their palms together and were determined to get the project.

Everyone knew that whoever managed to get the construction plan for Subway No.20 would become the leader in the field, and they would be able to take the initiative in future construction works.

Dragon City had a long-term plan that would end at New Era Year 100, and its goal was to build more than fifty transportation lines. Among them were nine transportation tunnels that would cross rivers.

Aside from this, Celestial Dragon Area was being developed in the north like a raging fire, and it was a big pie that smelled like loads of money.

The profit would be astronomical.

It was enough to make everyone go mad and become reckless.

At that moment, there were two main development plans for Subway No.20, and they were born from two main trains of thought. One of them was to use Giant Sandworms, and the other was to use runic symbol machines and the traditional tunnel boring machines, roadheaders, and other machines.

The providers for the technology for the two construction plans and the ones who came up with them were Spirit Creation Creatures and Heavenly Works Machines.

“To clear the underground tunnel going under Red Dragon River, we put in a lot of money to modify a breed of Giant Sandworms that like humid environments, create very small tremors when eating rocks, and are very quiet,” Xie Xiaolei said. “During the experiments, our Giant Sandworms have shown that their efficiency, energy consumption per unit of distance, failure rate, pollution, and all other aspects show that they’re better than the traditional equipment from Heavenly Works Machines.

“Now, this major deal is about to land in Spirit Creations’ hands, so some people in Heavenly Works must have realized that they have no other way but to use another method from a safe angle.

“They racked their brains about how to prove that our biochemical beasts are not safe and will go out of control at any moment. If there were vicious cases that would terrify those who hear them, we’d lose the deal. It’s only through this method that they could snatch it away.

“Look, at this critical moment, someone from the middle management of Heavenly Works died under the claws of his own pet. If the mangled corpse’s picture was uploaded online, it would bring fear to all

the citizens, and under the pressure of public opinion, not only would we not be able to get the deal to build Subway No.20, the company would also be ruined!

“Elder Ning, Meng Chao, do you think that there can be such a coincidence?”

Ning Shewo and Meng Chao looked at each other. Both of them agreed that there was something strange about this.

“Xiaolei, you have to be responsible for what you say. Your words now are a major accusation,” Ning Shewo said while frowning. “Are you trying to say that someone intentionally used some method to make the three biochemical beasts go violent and cause such a bloody case? If that’s the case, this isn’t an accident, but murder.”

Xie Xiaolei snorted coldly. “If you knew just how great was the profit in this, you’d understand that some people would even commit genocide for it, much less murder.”

Meng Chao scratched his head and thought about it.

Ning Shewo cast him a glance and asked, “Meng Chao, what are your thoughts? Since I brought you here, I won’t be treating you like a normal university student. If you have any thoughts, just say them.”

“I understand the general gist of the matter, I just... think that it’s rather strange.” Meng Chao looked at the Giant Sandworm hatching through the window. “Let’s say that someone from Heavenly Works Machines has really gone mad and intentionally stimulated the modified biochemical pets created by Spirit Creations to engineer this terrifying, bloody case, then why choose to attack in Blessed Paradise, and why sacrifice a person of the middle management?”

Xie Xiaolei was slightly stunned. “It’s naturally to increase the influence of the matter so that we can’t suppress it. You must understand, Blessed Paradise is right next to an educational area. Many of the teachers from famous schools, high or middle-ranking officers from research labs and development centers like purchasing houses in Blessed Paradise. If that person did something in Blessed Paradise, he or she could land a huge blow to Spirit Creations.

“As for sacrificing a member of their own middle management... They’ll be able to wash their hands of any suspicion if they do this, don’t you think so?”

“No.” Meng Chao shook his head. “Even when we were just talking to each other, we didn’t exclude Heavenly Works as a possible suspect. Would the police really be that easily fooled if they interfered? It’s obvious that once people’s lives are involved, the nature of the case will change. Perhaps even the adjudicators of the Supernatural Tower will have to take action, and the matter will not be solved so easily.

“Hmm... even if the judgement of some person from Heavenly Works was impaired because of the profit so they decided to act regardless of the consequences, there’s just no need for them to choose Blessed Paradise.

“Blessed Paradise is a commercial housing area that is rather high class, and it’s precisely because of this that its capacity isn’t high. It’s also sealed off completely, so when such a vicious case happens, the property management would lock down the news, and no unrelated personnel could come and go as they please.

“This won’t create a storm that will influence public opinion. Look, the case happened two days ago, but there has been nothing on the news and forums. There’s no way to create any pressure using the public opinion like this.”

Ning Shewo nodded a little and looked at Xie Xiaolei.

The creator of the company let out a dry cough and said, “But it’s what happened. After we heard of the accident, we immediately rushed to the site with the representative from Heavenly Works. That person was naturally angry and said that he wants to make this public... but no matter what, this matter is too strange, and it can’t be ascertained that it’s fully our responsibility.

“Besides, there are a lot of parties connected to this due to their interests, and Heavenly Works is worried that there are other factors related to the situation. That’s why we reached an agreement that we will lock down the news for the time being. We’ll say anything only once we’ve understood the cause.”

“That’s the right way,” Meng Chao said. “Regardless of whether it’s Spirit Creations or Heavenly Works, you’re both major companies. Even though you fight against each other in many areas, at the end of the day, you see each other frequently, and since this happened in a place like Blessed Paradise, it won’t be easy for you to turn into sworn enemies against each other.

“If I were the possible schemer and really wanted to use the pressure of public opinion, I would not use Blessed Paradise as my site for murder. It would be much better to use Blessed Heavenly Garden.”

“Blessed Heavenly Garden?”

Ning Shewo and Xie Xiaolei were both stunned.

“That’s right. I rear a Sword-toothed Hunting Dog at home, and it was modified by Spirit Creations. Many of my neighbors keep biochemical pets modified by your company as well,” Meng Chao said. “Our area has a lot of people, and we don’t use security guards or area lockdowns. The CCTVs only work occasionally, so it’d be very easy for someone to do something to the biochemical pets.

“If something similar happened in my area, I can guarantee that within an hour, it would have spread to the other eight areas around us, and in half a day, around fifty articles would appear online. They’d find more than one hundred witnesses for the cases, and in twenty-four hours, it would spread through the entire city!

“If you want to create pressure with public opinion, Blessed Heavenly Garden is the best choice.

“Oh, but wait, there’s an even better choice than Blessed Heavenly Garden, and that’s the markets and downtown areas, where people constantly move around. If someone was killed by a biochemical pet modified by Spirit Creation in the market, there would be hundreds of people who would see it. Blood would splatter on dozens of onlookers’ faces. In such an event, do you think that there would be anyone who would be able to suppress the news?”

“Regardless of the results of the investigation, normal citizens would view the biochemical beasts only with fear, wouldn’t they?”

Ning Shewo and Xie Xiaolei shuddered.

“So, you think that this matter has nothing to do with Heavenly Works, but is an accident or a flaw from the modification process?” Ning Shewo asked.

“I don’t have enough information, so I don’t know,” Meng Chao said. “President Xie, what is the general procedure for modifying biochemical beasts in Spirit Creations? Do you... need to drill holes into the spines of your biochemical beasts?”