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Summary

Scott and Hope have never met before. Scott became Ant-man, but Hope is opposed to this idea. When Hank was shot by Darren, Hope thought Scott did not protect her father well so she wants to take the suit back at all costs.

First Meet

Chapter Summary

The Pym Tech's building was destroyed by bomb one year ago. Scott stopped Darren's evil plan successfully, but Hank has passed away, he felt guilty because he didn't protect Hank from that day.

Today is opening ceremony of Pym Technologies new headquarter. Dr Bill Foster, as known as Hank's working partner, has been appointed by the board of directors as the Pym Tech's new CEO.

Scott become an Avenger and consultant of Pym Tech. And Hope was invited, this is their first meet.

Chapter Notes

See the end of the chapter for <u>notes</u>

"Do you feel awkward at party, Scott?" Bill walk next to Scott, and asked.

"Dr. Foster. Well...I am not used to attending balls actually. I don't know how to deal with the guest." Scott puts on a fake smile, he has to attend the ceremony since he is now involved with Pym Tech, but he can't help but feel sad and guilty about the passing of Hank. Even still, he has to pretend to be happy today. "I'm just a small potato."

"There will be many events in the future, and the annual anniversary should be like now."

"You're our consultant. Don't forget, you're the Avenger too." Bill gave advice on the upgrade of the suit in the past. Despite Scott was a criminal before, Bill didn't think Scott is bad guy like Darren. Therefore, he let Scott and his friends stay to work at Pym Tech.

"There is no salary. I need a job that I can support my family."

"Why don't you quit the Avenger?"



"Hank was gone..." Scott was a little bit upset. "She should let it go."

"Have fun, Scott! Enjoy the party!" Bill gave Scott a glass of champagne and leave him alone.

"Do my best..." Scott drank it all up. When he walked to the table in order to get a new one, a hand reached for the same glass of champagne that Scott was going to take. "Sorry, you first..." He raises his head, and saw a woman with bob haircut.

"Thanks." She took a glass of champagne and drank it. Scott looks over at the lady in front of him, she's like a magnet. He just can't help but be curious about her. She looks so familiar, but Scott can't remember a thing. At the same time, she noticed Scott keep staring at her. "Do you want to drink?"

"Yes... I forgot it." Scott took another glass, but didn't drink it. He tries to act natural, started introduction. "I am..."

"Scott Lang. Former employee of Vista Corp."

"Yes...How do you know?"

"I saw you on TV. A interview when you were in prison, and you were subdued by prison guard in the end."



"Oh..." That was really an embarrassing moment for Scott, he was provoked by the reporter's questions, he became more and more angry, and the prison guard used stun gun on him.

"It's hard to believe that you worked in Pym Tech now."

"Yeah... Things change I guess. I bet most people who know me don't believe that I actually work there. They probably don't expect me to turn my life around."

"They are jealous because you are Avenger now. Who doesn't love superhero?"

"But some people probably don't think I made a very good superhero."

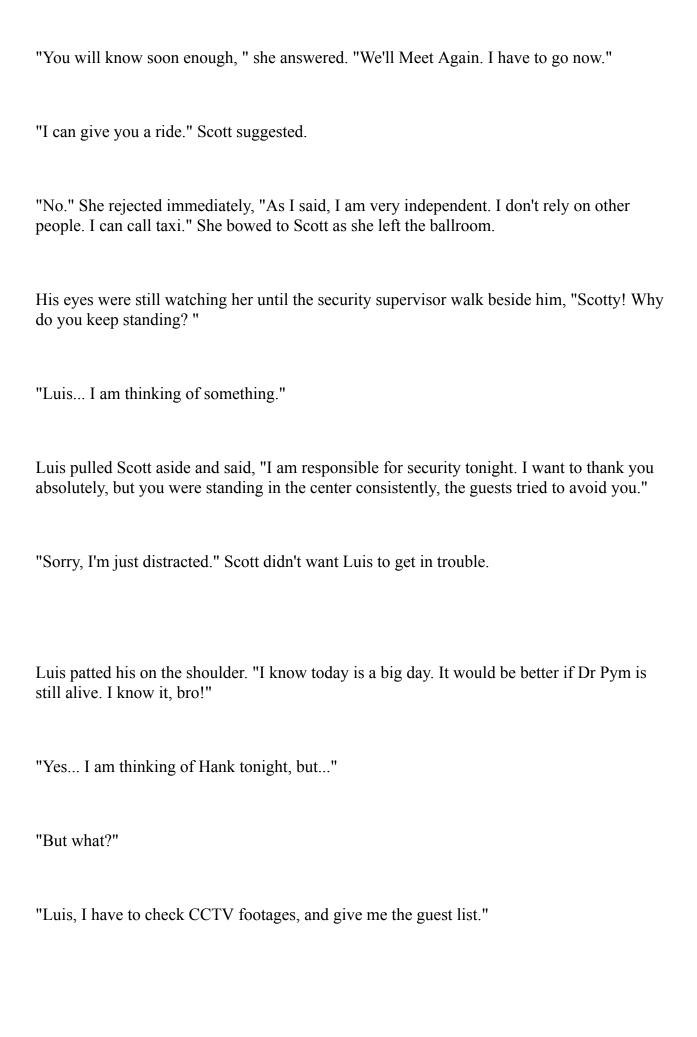
"I think all of the girls in this room want a superhero to be their boyfriends."

"Maybe. I do not know what they think..." Scott was confused what she said "I'm nothing special."

"If this is true, why Hank chose you?", it make Scott think about Hank again. He keeps silent for a moment while he processes the possibility of leave. She decided not waiting for his response and said. "Why don't you ask me to dance?"
"Um?" Scott's thoughts are quickly interrupted though." I'm not good at dancing."
"OhIt's okay. Not big deal."
"I'm not going to refuse you," He realized he have to be polite to the guest and should be careful the words."I just afraid that I might stepped on your feet. If you don't mind Shall we dance, Miss?"
"For sure." She accepted.
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"You danced well." She commented after they danced for a few minutes.
"Thank you, so are you." Scott replied. "I haven't been dancing for a long time, especially such beautiful lady."
"You are a sweet talker."
"I'm not lying, you are a charmer." It is true, she is so pretty. Especially she smiles at Scott, it light up his world. He's never seeing the girl's smile so close after divorce. "Can I ask you a question?"
"Am I single?"
"No I'm not. No I am." Scott felt lost. Actually, he very interested in seeing how she answers that question. "I mean Can I know that?"







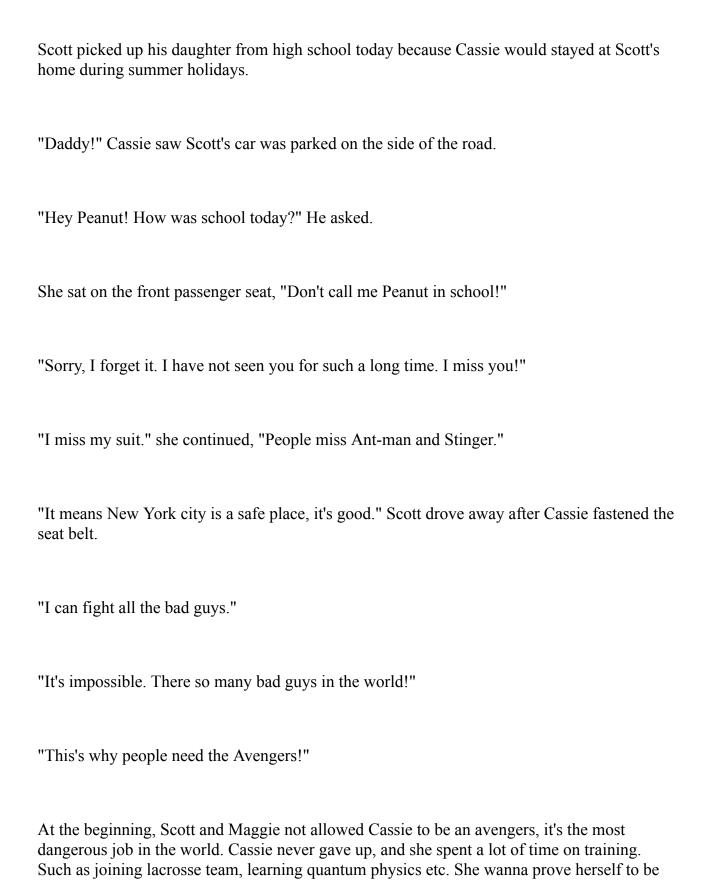
"What's happened? Oh my god! Terrorist attack our ceremony? Should we call the police? We need to block all exit? What should I say when I accept media interviews?"

"Stay calm, Luis! No Terrorist in our party!" Scott explained to Luis, "I want to confirm one thing."

Chapter End Notes

About the WHIH interview, it is a short film that produced by Marvel Studio. You can watch it on Youtube.

We'll Meet Again





Who is this Mystery Woman? Scott checked the CCTV footages and the guest list in order to find out the answer. He couldn't believe that his dancing partner is the largest shareholder of Pym Tech, Ms Hope Pym. Scott never met Hank's daughter before but one photo, a teenage girl with long hair. Hank mentioned that the photo was sent by his daughter who studied in boarding school. Ms Pym had changed her hairstyle and looked so different, it made Scott can't make out her face.

"Why she chose to dance with me? Why she hide her identity? What does she mean that we will meet again? What does she want?" So many questions in his mind.

"I'm overly concerned probably." According to their conversation last week, Ms Pym is a fashion designer now, maybe she has no interest in taking over the family business. But somehow Scott felt that the air was full of dangerous when they danced. "Alright, What's for dinner tonight? Pizza? Or..." The rear windshield were shattered suddenly when he asked Cassie for the suggestion of the dinner.

"What's happened?" Fortunately, they sat in the front seat and not get injured.

Scott immediately observed from the rear mirror, but there was nobody. However, other parts of the car were suffered from various degree of damages,"I'm not sure, but we were attacked."

The attack was stopped when he drove the car into the corner. They got out of the car as Scott confirmed that they were not tracked.

"Are you okay?" A father worried about his daughter.

"I am fine. Dad, your arm..." She saw one of his arm was cut by the broken glasses and bleeding.

"It's doesn't matter. We can buy bandage later."

"Do you see	any person?	?"
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"I see nothing!" He shook his head, "But I know they have weapon. Anyway, there is a supermarket, we buy some first-aid supplies at first."

"Yes. Let's go." Cassie put an arm around him, and went into supermarket. She selected appropriate first-aid product for her father, "I think they can fly."

"Why do you think that?"

"If they can fly and shrink like us, it will be difficult to find their presence." She expressed her thought.

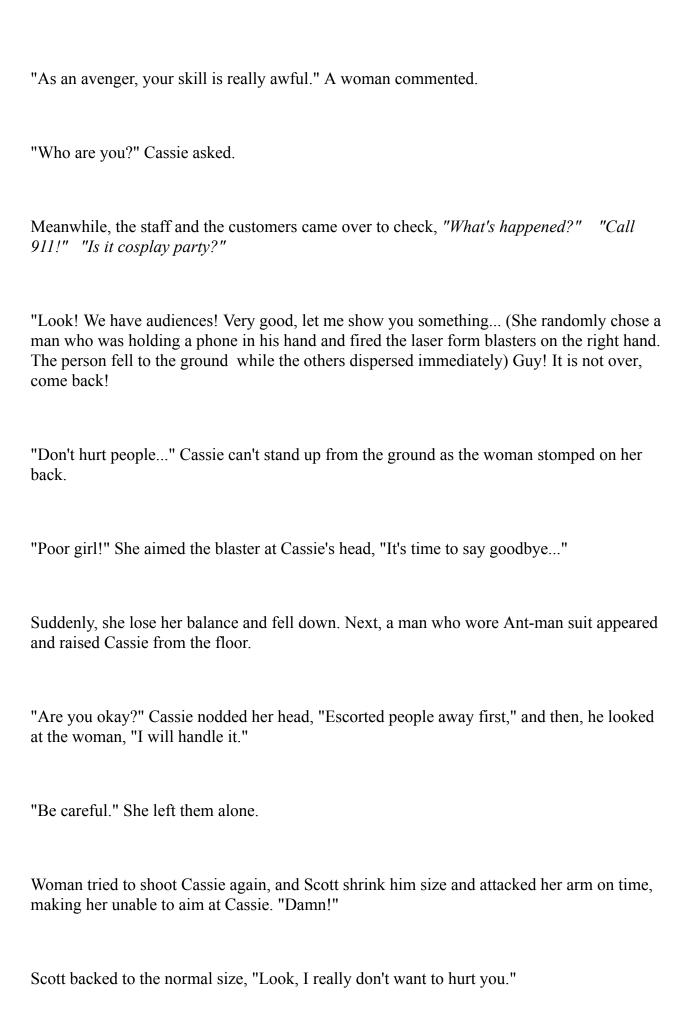
"Do you mean Darren Cross? He died." Nonetheless, Scott agreed that it's reasonable guess. "We'd better discuss it with the other avengers, they maybe someone we have fought against before."

A female joined their conversation unexpectedly, "That's not necessary!" They looked behind, A woman who worn a red and black suit with a black mask.

"Because both of you will not outlive today..." A woman kicked at the girl, and Cassie fell to the ground.

"Cassie!" Scott wanted to help his daughter, but his injured hand was caught by the woman, then, she gave him a punch on the face, "You should protect yourself first!"

Scott was attacked continuously, and she seems like received combat training after his observation, it isn't good idea to fight with his bare hands so he has to suit up. At this moment, Cassie got up and attacked the opponent from behind, clasping her neck. Scott managed to escape and ran away. However, the woman quickly got rid of Cassie's restraint, and slammed her elbow into Cassie's waist, and she fell to the ground again.





"I'm obviously better than you. Nevertheless, my dad chose you over me."
"Your dad?" Now, Scott realized that the woman in front of him was Dr. Pym's daughter. "Oh my god! You are" Scott hasn't finish the sentence as Hope took the opportunity to kicked his crotch and rolled over to press Scott under her.
"What a stupid idiot! I don't know why Hank gave you the suit, you shouldn't have it!"
"Ms Pym, I can explain"
"Stop! When he decided to shut me out, I dropped his name. And, I don't want any connection with his company. Everything is his fault!"
"He wants to protect you"
"Unfortunately, he can't protect himself." Hope mocked.
Her fingers move to Scott's helmet and release it. Scott felt her breath against his neck as Hope leaned down, they're getting so close now.
"I'm sorry about Hank"
"He asked for it." Hope shook her head, "But I blamed on you!"
"I blame myself too, I'll make up for everything. I swear."
"You can" She raised her up and aimed the blaster at Scott's head, "Retire today"



"I am FBI agent, Jimmy Woo." A man commanded, "Madam, drop your weapon now!"

She ignored his warning and said, "Mr. Lang...One day, you will know you are not deserved to be Ant-man." Then, the wings behind her stretched out and flew towards the sky. FBI tried to shoot her, but failed. They and Scott watched her fly higher and faster in the darkness.



The next day, Scott and Cassie were asked to assist with their investigation. Scott knew who is she but did not disclose it to the FBI. The incident was gradually heated up by the media, they named the attacker based on her red and black suit, which called "Red Queen."

She'd be more ready







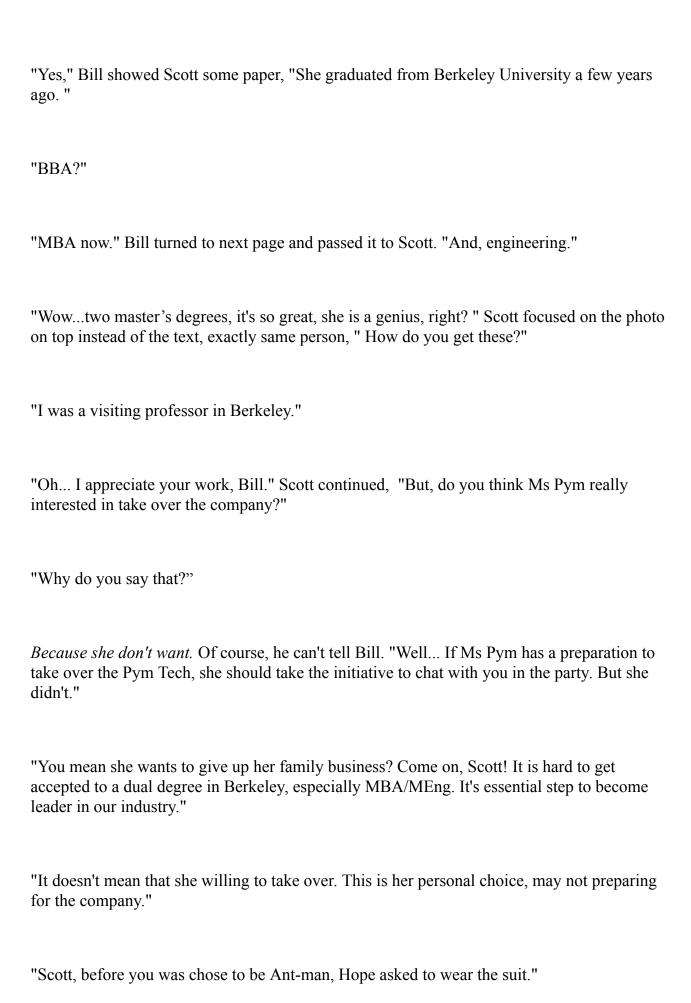
"One year ago, Dr Pym was shot before you destroyed the evil plans of Darren Cross. Next, Cassie asked you for approval of being the Avengers. And now"
"Sorry, Cap! I need to rest for few weeks. Cassie too." Scott left after said.
"Tony, can you please consider other people's feelings?"
"I did, Cap!" Stark respond to his question, "Red Queen is a threat. Absolutely. We need to find out who she is before the next attack."
"I agree, but it's not easy. Scott has no idea about Red Queen."
"Really? You believe it?"
"As you can see, Scott really care about his daughter. If he know who is Red Queen, he would talk it out instead of conceal."
"Well, I hope so"
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In Pym Tech
"Scotty! I watched TV last night. Why don't you stay home and have a rest?" Luis advised.
"I'm okay, Luis. I just slightly injured my arm. And, I've got a lot of things to do."

"Slightly injured? No! No! No All we know Red Queen is true badass, she can fly and her arms Wow, I love it, man!" Luis just expressed how he interested in the Red Queen suit.
"Unfortunately, you can't buy it from Walmart or Amazon." It's not funny. Especially for the Avengers, Red Queen is big threat and they're planning to war with her. Scott have to stop it. "We should get back to work, Luis"
"No! No! You should go home"
"Luis!" A man with glasses walk next to them.
"Dr Foster? I'm not slacking, I just persuade Scotty to go home. "Luis explained to Bill first.
"I know. But now, I have something to discuss with Scott. Business."
"Business?" Luis repeated the word.
"Yes. Business!"
"Ok Um "
"Luis" Luis turned his head to Scott, "I'm fine!"
"OK" Luis left them alone, "Take care of yourself, buddy!"
"I do." Scott replied, "Thank you, Bill."

"You're welcome!" Bill continued, "But honestly, you should have a rest."
"If you say it, it means everybody know what happened last night?"
"Today Headline." Bill passed a newspaper to Scott, it stated "Avengers attacked by Red Queen".
"Oh God!" Scott watched the newspaper with narrowed eyes, even the content is negative, they didn't mention who is Red Queen, this is only good new for Scott. And then, he asked, "What's about the board"
"Not to worry, I will deal with them."
" I'm sorry for all the fuss. Bill. "
"It's doesn't matter. So Do you know who is she?"
"Er No, we have no idea!" Scott decided to keep the secret. "Why do you interested in her?"
"The suit Red Queen it's similar to something, don't you think that?"
" Similar to what?"
"If you ask me, someone try to copy Hank's research." Bill thought.
"You're not the only one said that." Scott inwardly sighed.







"Hank rejected it."

"Yes, it proved she also wanted to protect the suit. She won't give up her family business. I think with all this time to prepare, she'd be more ready." CEO had confidence in expressing his opinions .

She's ready to kill me. Sad but true, Scott gathered a lot of information in the conversation, Ms Pym planned to take her father's suit back a long time ago, it is not easy to solve this problem."So... what's next? What do we do now?"

"Have you ever been to San Francisco?" He said with a smirk on his face.

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