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Subject: Re: [RFC][PATCH 1/4] seed /proc root inode in proc\_fill\_super()

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Dave Hansen <[hansenc@us.ibm.com](mailto:hansenc@us.ibm.com)> writes:

> Here's a set of patches which I believe allows multiple  
> instances of /proc to exist. We want these because it  
> allows each pid\_namespace to have a completely different  
> view of /proc.

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> /proc currently has some special code to make sure  
> that the root directory gets set up correctly. It  
> uses the global proc\_mnt variable in order to find  
> its way to the root inode.

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> In order to try to get multiple /proc mounts, I'm  
> attempting to kill this variable. But, I noticed  
> that we have all of the data to fill in the inode's  
> pid in proc\_fill\_super(), where it takes a wee bit  
> more work in proc\_get\_sb().

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> Any reason not to just do it in proc\_fill\_super()?

Because we are using get\_sb\_single. So proc\_fill\_super  
is only called once when proc\_mnt is established.

Since proc\_mnt is created before pid == 1 exists, ei->pid  
on the root\_inode is never filled in.

Once proc\_mnt disappears we can make this change, but  
it should definitely not come first in the patch set or  
horrible things will happen to git-bisect users.

Eric

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