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Subject: [PATCH 2/4] net ipv4: Remove unnecessary test for the loopback device from inetdev\_destroy

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Currently we never call `unregister_netdev` for the loopback device so it is impossible for us to reach `inetdev_destroy` with the loopback device. So the test in `inetdev_destroy` is unnecessary.

Further when testing with my network namespace patches removing unregistering the loopback device and calling `inetdev_destroy` works fine so there appears to be no reason for avoiding unregistering the loopback device.

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net/ipv4/devinet.c | 2 --
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1 files changed, 0 insertions(+), 2 deletions(-)
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diff --git a/net/ipv4/devinet.c b/net/ipv4/devinet.c
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```
index affea9b..e7f2b02 100644
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--- a/net/ipv4/devinet.c
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+++ b/net/ipv4/devinet.c
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```
@@ -203,8 +203,6 @@ static void inetdev_destroy(struct in_device *in_dev)
    ASSERT_RTNL();
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    dev = in_dev->dev;
-   if (dev == loopback_dev)
-   return;
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    in_dev->dead = 1;
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1.5.3.rc6.17.g1911
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