

Re: Dovecot line feed error for 2 users

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To: kevinold@gmail.com, For users of Fedora Core releases <fedora-list@redhat.com>

On Tue, Sep 13, 2005 at 10:44:55AM -0400, Kevin Old wrote:

> *Hello everyone,*
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> *I'm getting the error below for 2 different users on my system of 150+*
> *users in Dovecot:*
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> *Sep 12 09:32:49 uavco pop3-login: Login: cah [::ffff:172.16.3.107]*
> *Sep 12 09:32:49 uavco pop3(cah): Error indexing mbox file*
> */var/mail/cah: LF not found where expected*
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> */var/mail/cah: LF not found where expected*
> *Sep 12 09:32:49 uavco pop3(cah): Couldn't open INBOX: Internal error*
> *occured. Refer to server log for more information. [2005-09-12*
> *09:32:49]*
>
> *I've read in the archives that it's the blank line at the beginning of*
> *the mbox file (<http://dovecot.org/list/dovecot/2004-January/002790.html>),*
> *and once deleted everything works fine.*
>
> *The thing is, it keeps happening and I can't figure out why. Email*
> *clients that send mail to these accounts are the latest Outlook*
> *Express. As I said, I have 150+ users on the same system and they are*
> *fine.*
>
> *I'm not sure if protocol makes a difference, but we are using POP3 only.*
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> *Any ideas what I can do to fix/prevent/correct this either*
> *programatically or with a patch of some sort?*
>
> *Is this actively being worked on?*
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> *I'm running FC4 with dovecot-0.99.14-4.fc4.*
>
> *Any help is appreciated!*
>
> *Kevin*
> *--*

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My only real question is why this is working for any of your mail users. For at least a long time mail files for users are placed in /var/spool/mail/<username>. I can't really see why dovecot is pushing to expect the mail folders in /var/mail/<username> . I just ignored that aspect of the dovecot.conf file that had you set up /var/mail/ as the mail holding directory. Is that where your users keep their mail. That is certainly where sendmail expects these files to be. Maybe your 2 users are the only ones keeping mail in the right place. It certainly seems that way from your error messages.

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Relations are simply a tedious pack of people, who haven't the remotest knowledge of how to live, nor the smallest instinct about when to die.
-- Oscar Wilde, "The Importance of Being Earnest"

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