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30 second delay before Password: prompt appears when logging in to SCO OpenServer.

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Problem

When logging in to SCO OpenServer, I get delays of about 30 seconds, after supplying a user name and before the Password: prompt appears. I can also see that a ttys-t temporary file has been left in the /etc/auth/system directory.

The following entries appear in /usr/adm/syslog:

```
failed to read terminal control database entry
can't rewrite terminal control entry
cannot obtain database information on this terminal
```

Solution

This problem has not been reproduced by SCO but the following procedure has been reported to help:

Create a shell script, called /bin/fixttys, that contains the following:

```
# fixttys

sleep=$1
if [ -z "$sleep" ] ; then
    sleep=5          # default to 5 sec intervals
fi

while [ true ]; do
```

```
if [ -f /etc/auth/system/ttys-t ];  
then  
    tcbck  
fi  
sleep $sleep  
done
```

Create another script called `/etc/rc2.d/S99fixttys` that contains these lines:

```
# S99fixttys  
  
/bin/fixttys 5 &
```

Finally, run the following commands and then reboot the system to start the `fixttys` script:

```
chmod 711 /bin/fixttys  
chown bin:bin /bin/fixttys  
chmod 744 /etc/rc2.d/S99fixttys  
chown root:root /etc/rc2.d/S99fixttys
```

See Also

Manual pages: [tcbck\(ADM\)](#), [ttys\(F\)](#)

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