Subject: DropGrid, DropTree dynamic update. Posted by Lance on Mon, 14 Mar 2011 05:27:22 GMT

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Please let me know the current implementation can be adapted to these behaviour without heavy coding.

Thanks,

Lance

Subject: Re: DropGrid, DropTree dynamic update. Posted by koldo on Mon, 14 Mar 2011 08:21:21 GMT

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I like it. Just 1 + 2 is enough for me

Subject: Re: DropGrid, DropTree dynamic update. Posted by Lance on Fri, 08 Apr 2011 01:05:44 GMT

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I figured out that I could use DropGrid::SearchHideRows() and DropGrid::SetValueColumn(int col) to achieve something similar to what I requested above.

However, I cannot use Up arrow and Down arrow to navigate items and cannot use Enter to select a currently selected one. It would be desirable if I can do without using mouse.

Anybody has a clue which flag(s) I should enable or something like that?

Thanks, Lance

Subject: Re: DropGrid, DropTree dynamic update. Posted by unodgs on Fri, 08 Apr 2011 06:11:31 GMT

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This is not possible in current version. But you seem not to be first who would like to have possibility to edit text. I'll think about it.

Quote:

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GridCtrl which is used to display the drop list doesn't support tree view (this is something I also wanted to implement long time ago)

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I'm glad you like the DropGrid

Quote:

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I don't understand. What's wrong with trigger button? I guess you miss automatic list showing when user starts typing?

I'm working right now on the second version of my application which uses DropGrid and GridCtrl a lot and maybe I will be able to implement some of your features (especially point 1)

Subject: Re: DropGrid, DropTree dynamic update. Posted by Lance on Fri, 08 Apr 2011 12:22:48 GMT

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unodgs:

Thank you very much!

And here is another feature I need: a callback for WhenSelect

Senario:

I have a DropGrid where a user can select an item either by mouse or keyboard (currently, I cannot do it with keyboard only!). When A selection is made, my application needs to take action accordingly.

Let's say, the list are a bunch of URLs, and the action is to load the webpage. Now what callback should I hook to? WithDropChoice, which is similar but more basic to DropGrid, has a WhenSelect callback, this provides opportunity for proper library user intervention which I am missing from DropGrid.

Or should I take another route, or DropGrid is not designed to be used in this situation?

Thank you again. Indeed DropGrid is a very useful widget.

Subject: Re: DropGrid, DropTree dynamic update. Posted by unodgs on Fri, 08 Apr 2011 13:03:01 GMT

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Lance wrote on Fri, 08 April 2011 08:22unodgs: And here is another feature I need: a callback for WhenSelect

You should use WhenAction. It's fired when selection changes.

Subject: Re: DropGrid, DropTree dynamic update. Posted by Lance on Fri, 08 Apr 2011 13:28:47 GMT

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Thanks. It worked!

Subject: Re: DropGrid, DropTree dynamic update. Posted by Lance on Fri, 08 Apr 2011 13:42:53 GMT

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Now it's very close to what I desire from a DropGrid.

I also find I could navigate using arrow keys (I remember I couldn't last time I tried), but I still cannot make selection using Enter key; I have to click the intended item with mouse. It would be nice if I can choose to do it with keyboard only.

Is it possible with the current version of DG?

Thanks! Lance

Subject: Re: DropGrid, DropTree dynamic update. Posted by Lance on Sat, 25 Jun 2011 02:10:49 GMT

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Update:

The "problem" that you cannot select item and close the DropGrid with Enter key (have to use mouse-left-click at present) actually has to do with the Key virtual function of GridCtrl:

```
bool GridCtrl::Key(dword key, int)
{
    if(!IsReadOnly())
    switch(key)
    {
      case K_ENTER:
      ClearSelection();
      #ifdef LOG_CALLBACKS
      LGR(2, "WhenEnter()");
      WhenEnter();//<-****THIS LINE****
    #endif
```

Move the WhenEnter(); line out of #ifdef #endif block will fix the problem.

Subject: Re: DropGrid, DropTree dynamic update. Posted by unodgs on Sun, 26 Jun 2011 09:21:22 GMT

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Quote:The "problem" that you cannot select item and close the DropGrid with Enter key (have to use mouse-left-click at present) actually has to do with the Key virtual function of GridCtrl

Thanks! This is obviously a bug. Now in svn.

Subject: Re: DropGrid, DropTree dynamic update. Posted by Lance on Sun, 26 Jun 2011 13:21:32 GMT

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You are very welcome.

Any progress on Edit+PopupGrid combination?

Subject: Re: DropGrid, DropTree dynamic update. Posted by unodgs on Tue, 19 Jul 2011 20:54:38 GMT

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Lance wrote on Sun, 26 June 2011 09:21 Any progress on Edit+PopupGrid combination? Unfortunately no.. But I have it on my todo list