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Subject: EditField::operator String() removed  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 13 Jun 2016 07:11:50 GMT  
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This is a very unfortunate change, because it breaks existing code, OTOH is very easy to fix...

The problem is:

```
EditField f;
```

```
f << [&] { ... };
```

This supposed to assign lambda to EditField. However, with implicit cast to String, an alternative overload is

```
template <class T>  
operator<<(String&&, const T&)
```

because of EditField::operator String().

Well, direct type assignment and retrieval from/to widgets was deprecated for some time, so in the end I decided that it is more important for us to be able to write e.g.

```
String() << foo << bar;
```

and always use operator ~ when retrieving value of widget.

So, if after updating to U++ trunk you see error like this:

```
c:\u\aws\openwind\OpenWind.h(1722): error C2664: 'Upp::FileSel &Upp::FileSel::ActiveDir(const  
Upp::String &)': cannot convert argument 1 from 'Upp::EditString' to 'const Upp::String &'  
c:\u\aws\openwind\OpenWind.h(1722): note: Reason: cannot convert from 'Upp::EditString' to  
'const Upp::String'  
c:\u\aws\openwind\OpenWind.h(1722): note: No user-defined-conversion operator available that  
can perform this conversion, or the operator cannot be called
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please just add '~' before the widget....

Mirek

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Subject: Re: EditField::operator String() removed  
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I had a problem that may be related to this:

```
filename0=(String)OutFile;
```

error: no matching function for call to 'Upp::String::String(Upp::EditField&)'

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