Subject: Drop Down Boxes 'Blank'
Posted by ajwid01 on Wed, 24 Jun 2009 09:42:30 GMT
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Hi,

I can't believe I'm having an issue with this, as I've previously successfully implemented this... but having followed exactly the same steps as previously (or SO I think!), it's just not working for me.

I have ammended a database column control to a "DROPDOWN LIST" type, and specified a name for the 'option list'.

I have exported this new definition and ensured it appears in the dict.inc for the respective table.

```
$fieldspec['late_indicator']        = array('type' => 'string',
                                    'size' => 7,
                                    'control' => 'dropdown',
                                    'optionlist' => 'late_indicator',
                                    'rows' => 3);
```

I have written a list of static array values within the /subsystem/text/en/language.array.inc, with the same identifier name as placed in the 'option list' field.

```
$array['late_indicator'] = array('Late'    => 'Late',
                                 'On Time' => 'On Time',
                                 'Early'   => 'Early');
```

I have entered the additional '_' functions "getExtraData" and "getValRep" into the table's class.inc.

However now, when I go to the Update section for a record in that table, the dropdown list appears but is devoid of possible entry values.

I proceeded to duplicate my efforts for a different field in the same table, just to check I wasn't making a typing error with something.

Now, I have 2 drop-down fields occurring, but neither of them are populated.

Any pointers as to where I might have gone wrong with this?

How exactly would I implement multiple drop-down list fields within 1 table class? [I'm presuming I could incorporate them both within the same function(s), but admit I may have 'muddied' the waters by trying to do 2 at the same time here and messing up the functions.]

My initial code for ONE dropdown would have been:

```
function _cm_getExtraData ($where, $fieldarray)
    // Perform custom processing for the getExtraData method.
    // $where = a string in SQL 'where' format.
    // $fieldarray = the contents of $where as an array.
    {
        // get list for star_sign and insert into lookup array
        $array = $this->getValRep('late_indicator');
        $this->lookup_data['late_indicator'] = $array;

        return $fieldarray;

    } // _cm_getExtraData

function _cm_getValRep ($item=NULL)
   // get Value/Representation list from this table
   {
      $array = array();

      if (strtolower($item) == 'late_indicator') {
         $array = getLanguageArray('late_indicator');
         return $array;
      } // if

      return $array;

   } // _cm_getValRep
```

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Does the 'late_indicator' list appear in the XML output?
