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Subject: Re: Conundrum

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In article <3561ED2F.7564AC8B@astrosun.tn.cornell.edu>, "J.D. Smith" <jdsmith@astrosun.tn.cornell.edu> wrote:

> David Fanning wrote:

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>> J.D. Smith (jdsmith@astrosun.tn.cornell.edu) writes:

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>>> Thoughts on general cross-platform font selection schemes for

>>> widget fonts (not graphics fonts)?

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>> Uh, let the end user worry about widget fonts. They are

>> going to change it anyway (or \*can\*, which often amounts

>> to the same thing), no matter what you choose. :-)

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>> Cheers,

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>> David

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> Sounds good to me. I thought something like that... what I wonder is

> why doesn't it open and free a pixmap, rather than a real window by

> default. In anycase, if I have an open pixmap window, it will work just

> fine. My problem with widget fonts is, e.g. for display of formatted

> text. Non-uniform spacing fonts are very rude. I should probably try

> to implement things in a table widget or something, but what a lot of

> overhead just to show some columns of data!

And if your requirements don't allow leaving it up to the user you can set up a list of fonts that you can use throughout your applications. I have a couple functions that manage fonts for me. I will add them to my web site tonight (5/19/98) since they're a little too long to post here.

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