Issue 104691 Alphabetical Indexes cross-reference

TARGET:

Provide some suggestions for restyling of the UI to allow the introduction of cross-references in alphabetical indexes.

The restyling should be minimal.

SITUATION

NOW

SUGGESTION
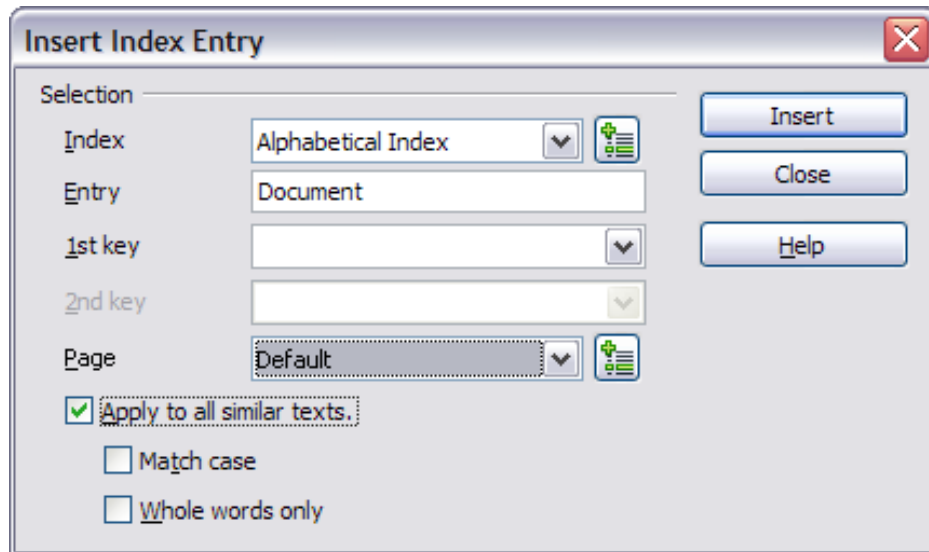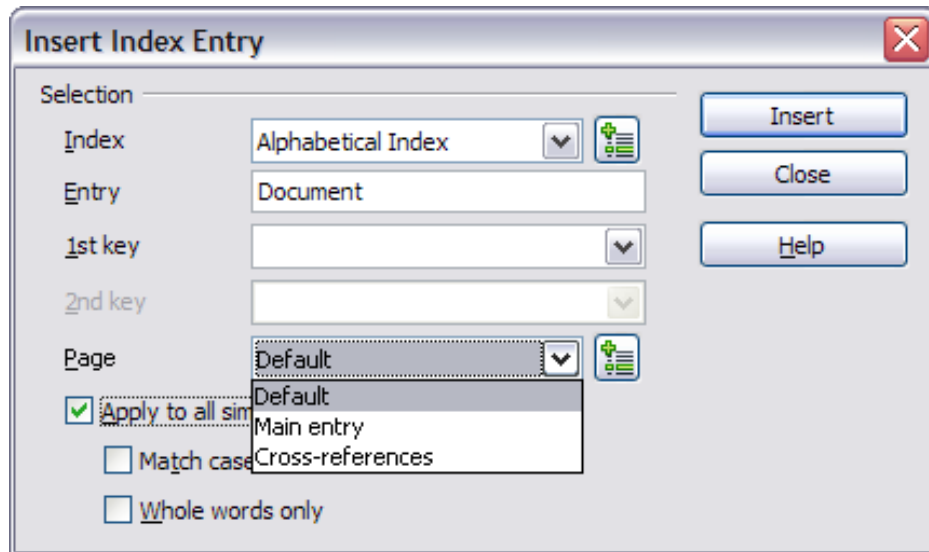
THE MINIMAL INTERVENTION

● Replace "main entry" check box with a "options page" drop-down list

NEW INSERT INDEX ENTRY DIALOG-BOX

Insert Index Entry

Selection

Index: Alphabetical Index

Entry: Document

1st key:

2nd key:

Page: Default
- Default
- Main entry
- Cross-references

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☐ Match case
☐ Whole words only

Insert
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- Drop-down list allows you to choose three options:

- **Default** (default style for the page number)

- **Main entry** (page number style of the main entry)

- **Cross-reference** (allows to include a Cross-reference to an index entry)

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NEW INSERT INDEX ENTRY DIALOG-BOX: Main entry
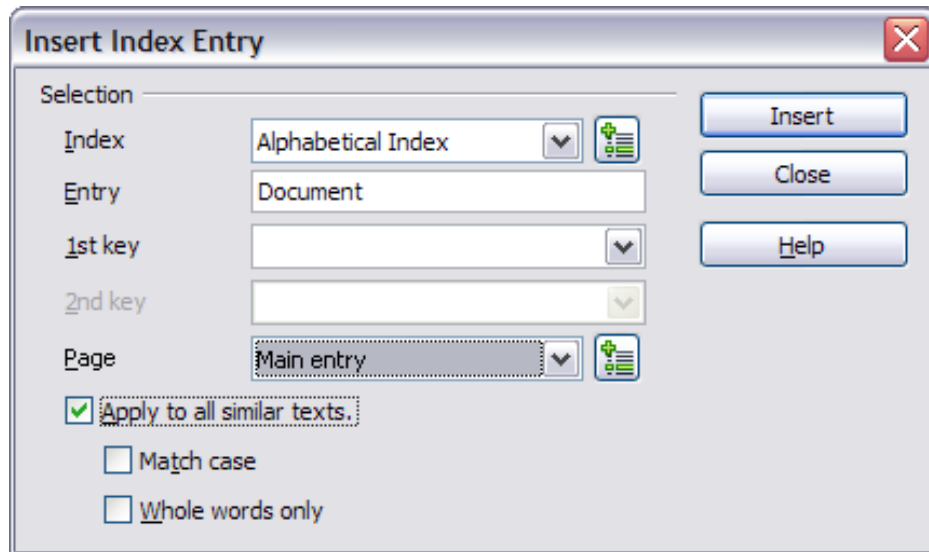
- Allows to mark an entry as main entry

NEW INSERT INDEX ENTRY DIALOG-BOX: Cross-references

Create Cross-References

Selection

Description: See

Text:

...

OK

Cancel

Help

Insert Index Entry

Selection

Index: Alphabetical Index

Entry: Document

1st key:

2nd key:

Page: Cross-references

☑ Apply to all similar texts.

☐ Match case

☐ Whole words only

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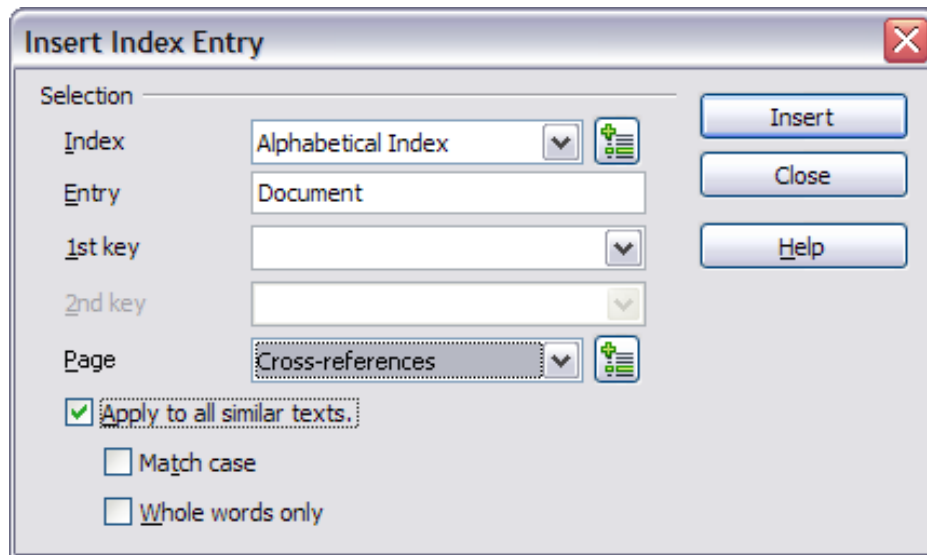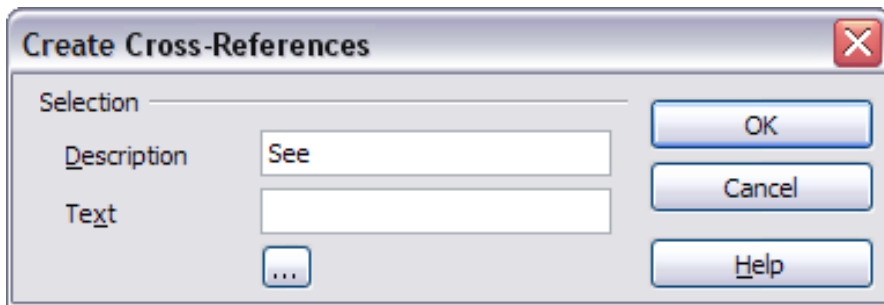
- Select the option "cross-reference" from the drop-down list

- Use the control button on the side of the drop-down list to open the **Create cross-references** dialog-box

- In the window are two text boxes:

- **Description** (lets you insert the reference type: *see, see also, see table...* or even what you want)

- **Text** (lets you insert a cross-reference to the index entry or keys)

- And the **command button** of "Special Characters window"

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NEW INSERT INDEX / TABLE DIALOG-BOX
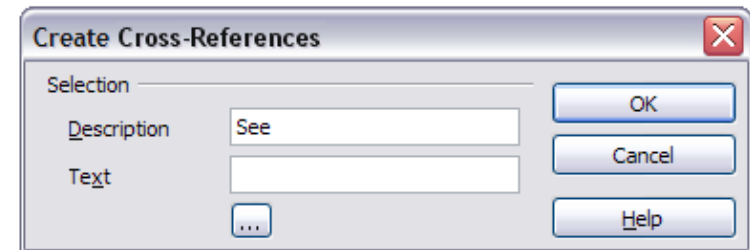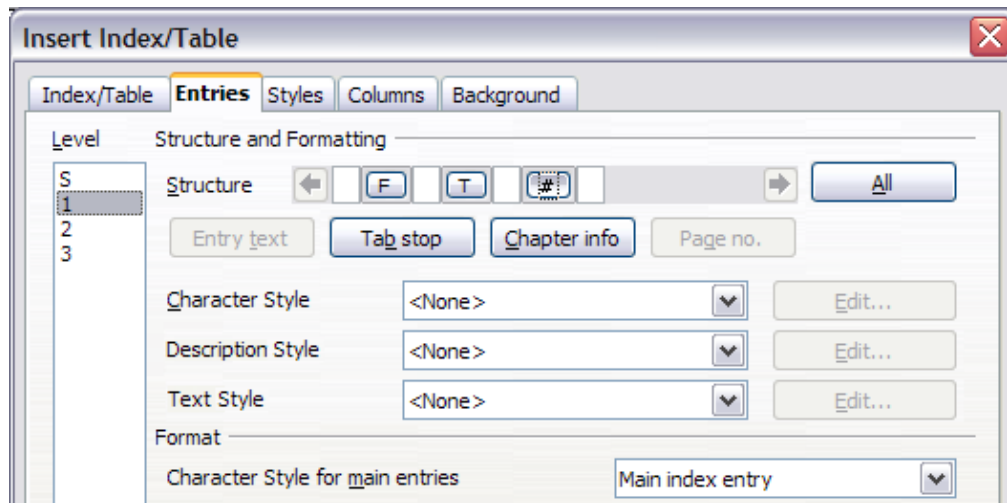
- The element that represents the page number should now have two new "Character Style" drop-down list.

- **Description Style:** is used to apply the Character Style to the type of cross-reference (*see, see also, see table ...*).

- **Text Style:** is used to apply the Character Style to the cross-reference of the index entries or keys

NEW EDIT INDEX ENTRY DIALOG-BOX
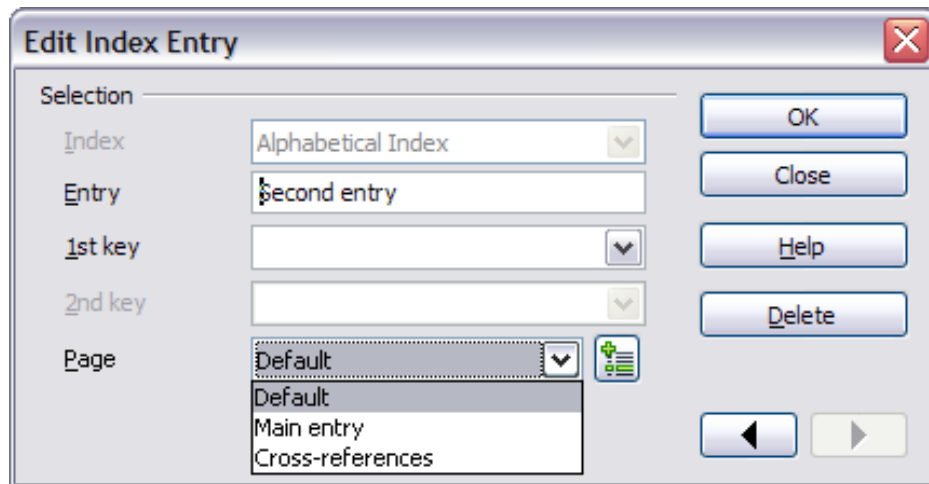
- The Edit of the index entry works as now.

- Only two considerations:

- Should be allowed modification of the cross-reference in the two text boxes (Description and Text)

- Should be allowed the complete elimination of the cross-reference by selecting from drop-down list the item Default (or Main entry)

INCREASED FLEXIBILITY

- The solution with the drop-down list allows the future introduction of new features.

- Example:

- More styles of main entry in the same alphabetical index. Such as MS Word (In fact MS Word uses all three styles: **bold**, *italic* and **bold** + *italic*)
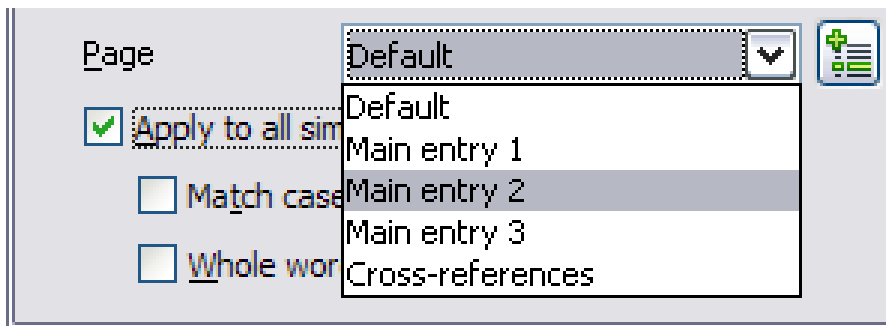
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for management of cross-references for
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