Subject: Re: the difference between ' and "
Posted by Tim Patterson on Mon, 17 Feb 1997 08:00:00 GMT
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It's a bug. The current IDL compiler doesn't check for
a matching pair of """'s, but just sees the first " followed
by a number and immediately interprets it as an octal
number instead.

Wonder if they'll fix this in IDL Version 5? Is there a list
of the bug fixes they are doing for version 5, or is there
just the glossy flyer about all the new features?

 Tim

R. Bauer wrote:
>
> I found that's there is a difference for using ' or " to sign numbers as
> strings.
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> IDL> a='1'
> IDL> a="1"
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> a="1"
>   ^
> % Syntax error.
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> The users guide said that both ' and " have the same useabilty.
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> It's not true.
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