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Subject: temporary() problem

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Hi,

I'm not sure I understand why the variable 'a' below gets undefined after calling a procedure using temporary():

```
IDL> a='a, b, c'  
IDL> help, a  
A           STRING  = 'a, b, c'  
IDL> .run "test.pro"  
% Compiled module: TEST.  
IDL> test, a  
IDL> help, a  
A           UNDEFINED = <Undefined>
```

The contents of test.pro:

```
PRO TEST, str  
  ostr=strsplit(temporary(str), ',', /extract)  
END
```

Why is temporary() messing with the top level environment?

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