DEC

This subroutine is used by any delimiter that starts a declaration (e.g. <u>integer</u>); it checks the validity of its use and sets up a block if this is the first declaration after a <u>begin</u>.

If begin ALL is on the top of the stack, no action need be taken.

If <u>begin</u> is top, a stopper entry is made in the Name List and the block number updated (begin TR would have already done this). The <u>begin</u> entry is unstacked, and P tested to see if this routine has been called from <u>array</u>. If so, a block entry is compiled into the object program. DECSTA is set to 8 O before exit.

ERRORS

FAIL 36; declaration starts incorrectly

FAIL 54; declaration follows statement.

FAIL 63; misplaced declarator.