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\headline   [⟨token list⟩ parameter]
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\footline   [⟨token list⟩ parameter]

These parameters contain, respectively, the current headline (header) and
the current footline (footer). The plain TEX output routine places the
headline at the top of each page and the footline at the bottom of each
page. The default headline is empty and the default footline is a centered
page number.

The headline and footline should both be as wide as `\hsize` (use `\hfil`,
p. '`\hfil`', for this if necessary). You should always include a font-setting
command in these lines, since the current font is unpredictable when TEX
is calling the output routine. If you don't set the font explicitly, you'll get
whatever font TEX was using when it broke the page.

You shouldn't try to use `\headline` or `\footline` to produce multi-
line headers or footers. Although TEX won't complain, it will give you
something that's very ugly. See page '`bighead`' for a method of creating
multiline headers or footers.

Example:
```
\headline = {\tenrm My First Reader\hfil Page \folio}
```
produces:

My First Reader   Page 10
(*at the top of page 10*)

Example:
```
\footline = {\tenit\ifodd\pageno\hfil\folio
             \else\folio\hfil\fi}
% Produce the page number in ten-point italic at
% the outside bottom corner of each page.
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