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"Anne Boleyn"

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ANNE BOLEYN

In the Tower of London, large as life,
The ghost of Anne Boleyn walks, they declare.
For Anne Boleyn was once King Henry's wife,
Until he had the headsman bob her hair.
Oh, yes, he did her wrong long years ago,
And she comes back at night to tell him so.

Chorus:

With her 'ead tucked underneath her arm,
She walks the bloody Tower,
With her head tucked underneath her arm,
At the midnight hour.

She comes to haunt King Henry, she means giving him
what-for
Gadzooks, she's going to tell him off, for spilling of her
gore.
And just in case the headsman wants to give her
encore,
She has her head tucked underneath her arm.
Now sometimes gay King Henry gives a spread,
For all his pals and gals, a ghastly crew,
The 'eadsman carve the joint and cuts the bread,
When in comes Anne Boleyn to queer the do.
She holds her head up with a wild war whoop,
And Henry cries, "don't drop it in the soup!"

She walks the endless corridors, for miles and miles
she goes,
She often catches cold, poor dear, it's drafty when it
blows,
And it's awfully, awfully awkward for the queen
to blow her nose,
With her head tucked underneath her arm.

The sentries think that it's a football that she carries in,
And when they've had a few they shout, "Is Army going
to win?"
They think that it's Red Grange instead of poor old

Anne
Boleyn
With her head tucked underneath her arm.
One night she caught King Henry, he was in the
canteen bar,
He said, "Are you Jane Seymour, Anne Boleyn, or
Catherine
Parr?
Well, how are?
With your head tucked underneath your arm?

from sondra stigen, 1984
Recorded in the early 30s by, of all people, Rudy
Vallee; also
(later, I think) by Stanley Holloway. RG
Note: Henry VIII only beheaded two of his wives -
Anne Boleyn and Kate Howard. Remember : divorced
(Katherine of Aragon), beheaded (Anne B), died (Jane
Seymour); divorced (Anne of Cleves), beheaded (Kate
Howard), survived (Kate Parr). (SF)

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