

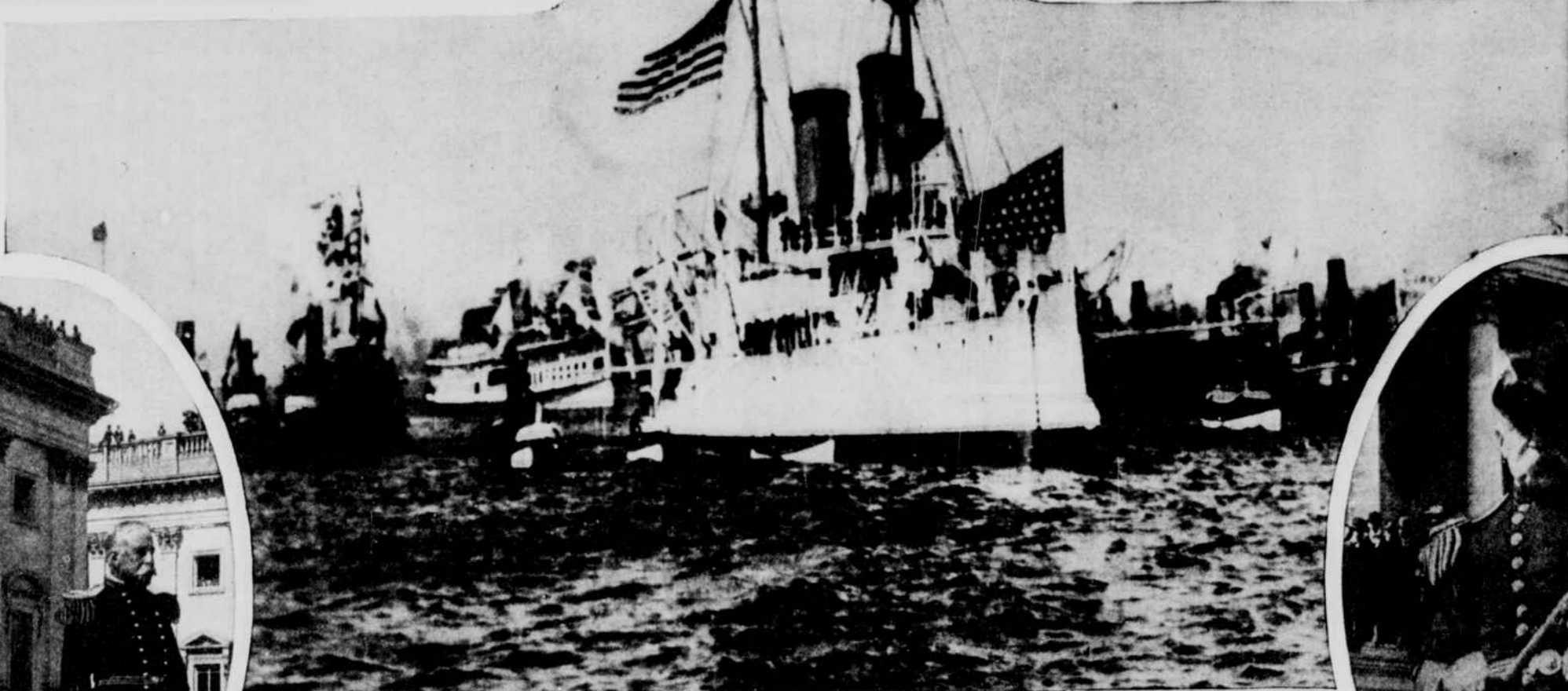


When Dewey and His Heroes Came Back from the Great Day at Manila Bay



Thousands of visitors, added to the hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers who wanted to honor the idol of the nation, made it necessary to build tiers of seats on rooftops about the Battery for the gorgeous naval review of September 29, 1899.

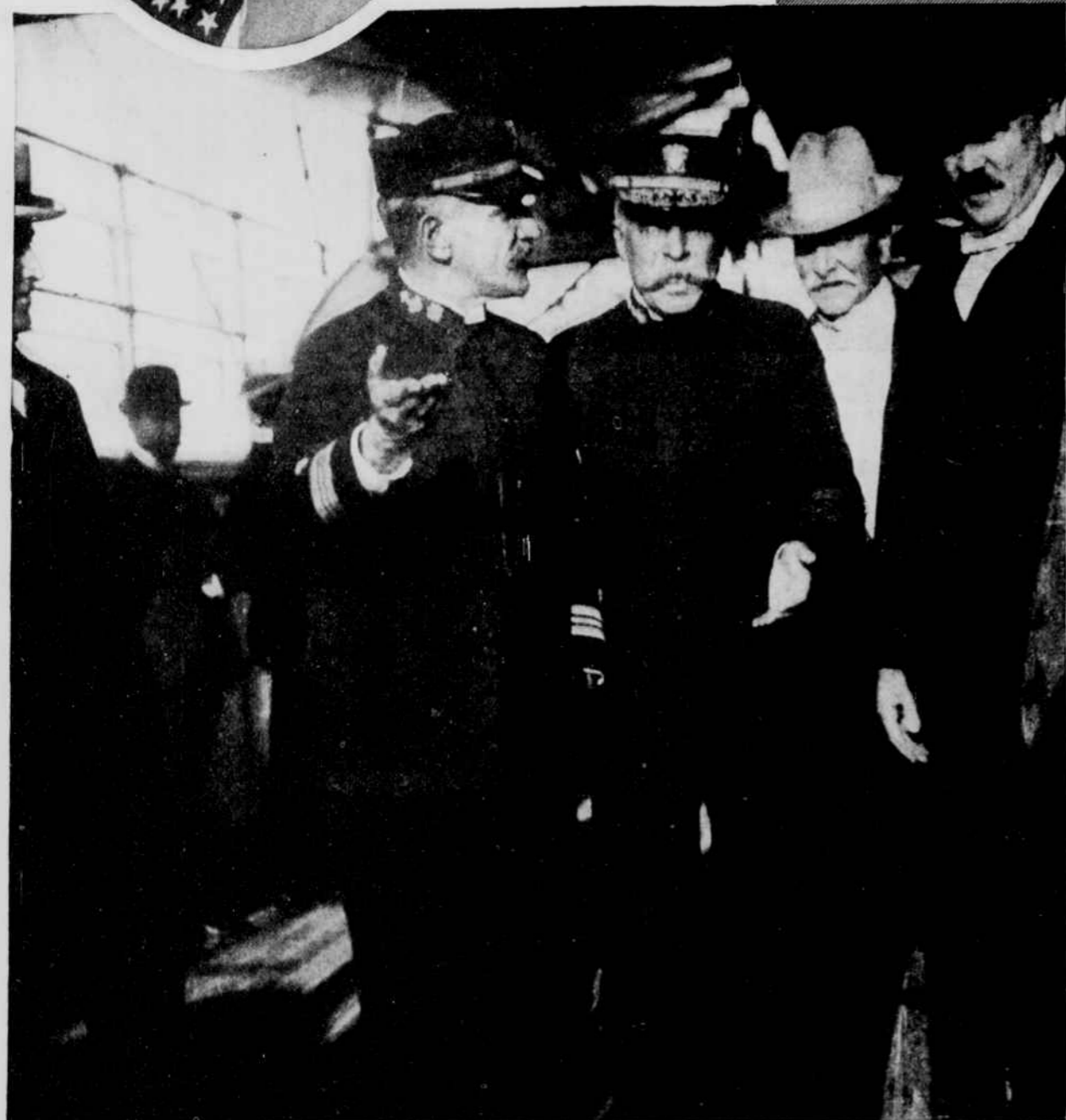
Sailors from the Olympia passing through the Dewey Arch in Madison Square. Theodore Roosevelt, then Governor, led the New York division.



President McKinley and Admiral Dewey in the reviewing stand, in Washington, on the occasion of the presentation to the hero of a gold sword, a gift from the nation.

Admiral Dewey's famous flagship, the Olympia, in which he led the American squadron to victory over Admiral Montojo, was anchored in the Hudson during the New York celebration. Sightseers explored its every nook and cranny for days.

Admiral Dewey holding the sword presented by Congress. It was inscribed: "The Gift of the Nation to Rear Admiral George Dewey, U. S. N., in memory of the Victory at Manila Bay, May 1, 1898."



Admiral Dewey being introduced to guests on board his flagship as she lay in the Hudson after the triumphal return from the Philippines.



The land parade, a part of the four-day celebration, included about twenty-three thousand soldiers and sailors. It moved from Grant's Tomb to Washington Square. It is here seen passing the grandstand in Union Square, one of hundreds along the route.