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General Alexander, Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Forces in Italy, arrived here today and personally complimented General Mark Clark on the magnificent achievement of his Fifth Army in capturing Naples "right from the beaches" against such formidable German opposition.

After the generals had visited the front in the Naples sector, where the Germans are still falling back behind demolitions, Clark showed Alexander round Naples. The pair were recognised as they drove through the streets in a jeep and were loudly acclaimed by both soldiers and civilians. Alexander showed particular interest in the port where Allied engineers and repair units were at work clearing the area of mines and debris. The port of Naples administration will be under the Royal Navy while the Fifth Army will control the city. General Alexander had a long discussion with Badoglio's representative, Leopoldo Piccardi, concerning governmental reconstruction in the Naples area which is momentarily controlled by AMGOT. Neapolitans have taken readily to proclamations concerning curfew, currency, prices, food distribution and everywhere are showing readiness to co-operate with the Anglo-American authorities.

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