

French, British, and German Types of Battle Tanks



ACTUAL battle scene (above), of French tank going into action, while behind it a line of French infantry is moving up to its support. It would be too much to say that tanks won the war, but it can safely be said that the final allied victory would have been greatly deferred had it not been for the incalculable service rendered by the tanks. Not only have they broken down defenses that would otherwise have been almost impregnable, but they have saved thousands of lives by screening from hostile fire the lines of infantry that followed them.

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(At left)—British armored car about to start on a reconnaissance. Note the projecting muzzles of the guns at front and on the side. The damaged condition of the tree trunk indicates that the woods nearby had been swept by shellfire.

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Below is a huge German tank captured by the French and repaired by them. While of enormous size, the tanks which the Germans built after the British had proved the value of that weapon were too ponderous and unwieldy to be of great service to their forces.

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