



There was more to it than Tanks: The Battle of Cambrai – Nov-Dec 1917

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The "tank phase" of the Battle of Cambrai lasted until about 2pm on the first day – 8 hours in all. Tanks may have grabbed the headlines gaining nearly 5 miles on that first day, but it was technical innovations in artillery that enabled General Byng to reintroduce the strategic principle of surprise back in to the battlefield.