

# FRENCH FRONT MIRED IN MOROCCAN DELUGE

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**Petaïn's Army Settles Down for  
Winter in Worst Rainy Sea-  
son on Record.**

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**LUCK FAVORS SPANIARDS**

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**In Fine Weather They Attack Rif-  
fian Posts Near Ajdir and Gain  
Half a Mile.**

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FEZ, Oct. 14.—After a Summer which broke the records in Morocco, often proving even too much for the Senegalese, accustomed to equatorial temperatures, the French Army has now encountered the worst rain known in years. Nothing is running true to form except their own hard luck.

The French are definitely settling down for the Winter on the boggy front, which recent operations have made twenty-five miles shorter than the 200-mile line they defended when the war began.

Beginning a fortnight earlier than usual, the rainy season has continued to exhibit diabolical perversity from every viewpoint. Almost as much rain has fallen already as the average total for October and November. No part of the front has been spared, conditions in the arid regions, north of Guercif being among the worst.

There is not yet any indication of a break in the weather.