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MEXICAN ELECTIONS ARE LIKE BATTLES

Elections in Mexico go to the candidate who has the best fighting men, according to Roy Cleaveland, first class electrician-radio operator of the United States navy, who is home on a furlough after four months spent with a ship on patrol duty off the oil region of Tampico and vicinity. He was on shore during an election, but says he is not at liberty to tell the part U. S. bluejackets took in the affair, but intimates the "shooting was good" for a few days. If there was any shooting,



Roy gave a good account of himself, for he carries on his sleeve the insignia of "expert rifleman", which is the highest rank a marksman in the service can attain, and shows that he won a score over all his ship's company.

Human life is cheap in Mexico, Mr. Cleaveland says, and the fine imposed on one Mexican for killing another ranges from \$10 up, according to the ability of the slayer to pay or the financial needs of the judge who tries the case.

Roy is the son of John Cleaveland, 374 Farwell-av, and enlisted in March, 1917, being the first as well as the youngest radio man to enlist from Wisconsin. At the time he entered the service he was 17, and was even then an expert radio operator.