

**JOHN L. DAHNKE POLL TAX RECEIPT, STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF
HIDALGO, 1918**
Finding Aid

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SUMMARY

Size	1 folder
Geographic Locations	Edinburg, Hidalgo County, Texas
Inclusive Dates	1918
Languages	English
Summary	The collection consists of a 1918 poll tax receipt written to J.L. Dahnke an abstractor in Edinburg, Texas.
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Citation	John L. Dahnke poll tax receipt, State of Texas, County of Hidalgo, 1918. Margaret H. McAllen Memorial Archives, Museum of South Texas History, Edinburg, TX.
Stack Location(s)	SMC 44, RGDOC 1, B:1

BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

John Louis Dahnke was born April 15, 1888 in Palmer, Texas to Louis and Susan (Guyer) Dahnke. In 1916 he married Daisy Ethylene Wright, a foster daughter of Joseph Austin and Hutoka Dodson (Caylor) Newman, in Cameron County, Texas. They had two children John Louis Dahnke, Jr. and Lois Elaine (Dahnke) McLean. Dahnke died on February 11, 1978.

Dahnke moved to Edinburg in 1914. In 1916 he moved to Raymondville where he worked for the Harding Gill Land Company. He later worked for the Hidalgo Guarantee Abstract Company and Valley Abstract Company in Edinburg. He was one of the signers of the original incorporation papers for the City of Edinbur in 1919.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of a 1918 poll tax receipt written to J.L. Dahnke an abstractor in Edinburg, Texas. On January 30, 1919 he paid a poll tax of \$1.75 to the county of Hidalgo in Texas. The receipt was number 49 and Dahnke voted in precinct number 7. The receipt was signed by J.R. Alamia the tax collector of Hidalgo.

Dahnke donated the receipt to the Museum in 1972.