

## **UNT Special Collections Reasons for Halting Texas SAR Archives**

### Stated reasons:

- Economics, their budgets were cut and cannot support staff for all archive collections.
- Most all archive collections are a single/one-time donation without continuing donations.
- Professional labor is desired as student labor requires more training and decreased quality was experienced.
- Our \$5k was only a drop in the real costs of housing in climate-controlled rooms, scanning, digitizing, and indexing.
- Our digital donations were appreciated, but scanning was only a part of the effort.
- Several Collections were asked to HALT their future donations, not just TXSSAR.

### Perceived Reasons:

- Self-space. Our donated Yearbooks alone add lots of shelf-space, they do not fit in library preservation boxes, are cumbersome and become non desirable. Our larger chapters over the past few years have donated multi-binder volumes per year.

### UNT Offers:

- Willing to continue housing the existing physical and online TXSSAR Collection, but also willing to transfer as we see fit.
- For physical, they estimate 108+ library boxes, i.e., 6 shrink-wrapped pallets.
- For online, the I.T. staff will have to be involved.