

WASHINGTON-FRANKLINS – Part 2 This month we will continue with the task of identification of the various Washington-Franklin Series issued from 1908 – 1922. This series requires the collector to know something about perforations, watermarks, press types and differentiation of the various sub-types of designs found in the rotary press products.

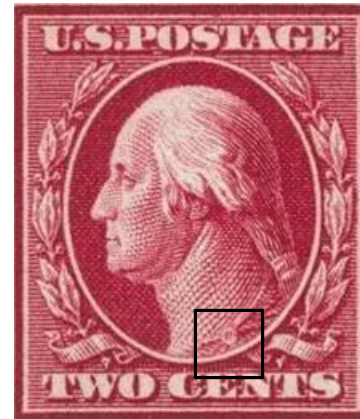
We will first look at the booklet and coil varieties of this issue in the three tables below:

Booklets			Perforation			
PRESS	TYPE-DENOMINATION	WATERMARK	8.5	10	11	12
FLAT	Franklin-ONE CENT	DL-WMrk	x	x	x	331a
FLAT	Franklin-ONE CENT	SL-WMrk	x	x	x	374a
FLAT	Washington - 1 CENTS 1	None	x	462a	498e	405b
FLAT	Washington - TWO CENT	DL-WMrk	x	x	x	332a
FLAT	Washington - TWO CENT	SL-WMrk	x	x	x	375a
FLAT	Washington - 2 CENTS 2	SL-WMrk	x	425e	x	406a
FLAT	Washington - 2 CENTS 3	None	x	x	499e	x
FLAT	Washington - 3 CENTS 3-I	None	x	x	501b	x
FLAT	Washington - 3 CENTS 3-II	None	x	x	502b	x

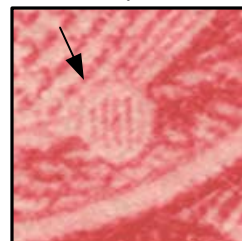
Vertical Coil			Perforation			
PRESS	TYPE-DENOMINATION	WATERMARK	8.5	10	11	12
FLAT	Franklin-ONE CENT	SL-WMrk	392	x	x	x
FLAT	Franklin-ONE CENT	SL-WMrk	x	x	x	387
FLAT	Franklin-ONE CENT	DL-WMrk	x	x	x	352
FLAT	Washington - TWO CENT	SL-WMrk	393	x	x	x
FLAT	Washington - TWO CENT	DL-WMrk	x	x	x	353
FLAT	Washington - TWO CENT	SL-WMrk	x	x	x	388
FLAT	Washington - 1 CENTS 1	SL-WMrk	412	x	x	x
FLAT	Washington - 1 CENTS 1	SL-WMrk	x	443	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 1 CENTS 1	SL-WMrk	x	452	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 1 CENTS 1	None	x	490	x	x
FLAT	Washington - 2 CENTS 2	SL-WMrk	413	444	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 2 CENTS 2-I	SL-WMrk	x	453	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 2 CENTS 2-II	SL-WMrk	x	454	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 2 CENTS 2-III	SL-WMrk	x	455	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 2 CENTS 2-II	None	x	491	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 2 CENTS 2-III	None	x	492	x	x
FLAT	Washington - 3 CENTS 3	SL-WMrk	394	445	x	389
ROTARY	Washington - 3 CENTS 3	SL-WMrk	x	456	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 3 CENTS 3-I	SL-WMrk	x	493	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 3 CENTS 3-II	SL-WMrk	x	494	x	x
FLAT	Washington - 4 CENTS 4	DL-WMrk	x	x	x	354
FLAT	Washington - 4 CENTS 4	SL-WMrk	395	446	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 4 CENTS 4	SL-WMrk	x	457	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 4 CENTS 4	None	x	495	x	x
FLAT	Washington - 5 CENTS 5	DL-WMrk	x	x	x	355
FLAT	Washington - 5 CENTS 5	SL-WMrk	396	x	447	x
ROTARY	Washington - 5 CENTS 5	SL-WMrk	x	458	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 5 CENTS 5	None	x	496	x	x
FLAT	Washington - 10 CENTS 10	DL-WMrk	x	x	x	356
FLAT	Franklin - 10 CENTS 10	None	x	497	x	x

Horizontal Coil			Perforation			
PRESS	TYPE-DENOMINATION	WATERMARK	8.5	10	11	12
FLAT	Franklin-ONE CENT	SL-WMrk	x	x	x	348
FLAT	Franklin-ONE CENT	DL-WMrk	390	x	x	385
FLAT	Washington - 1 CENTS 1	SL-WMrk	410	441	x	x
FLAT	Washington - 1 CENTS 1	DL-WMrk	x	448	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 1 CENTS 1	SL-WMrk	448	486	x	x
FLAT	Washington - TWO CENT	SL-WMrk	397	x	x	386
FLAT	Washington - TWO CENT	DL-WMrk	x	x	x	349
FLAT	Washington - 2 CENTS 2	SL-WMrk	413	442	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 2 CENTS 2	SL-WMrk	411	442	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 2 CENTS 2-III	SL-WMrk	x	450	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 2 CENTS 2-II	None	x	487	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 2 CENTS 2-III	None	x	488	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 2 CENTS 2	DL-WMrk	x	449	x	x
ROTARY	Washington - 3 CENTS 3-I	None	x	489	x	x
FLAT	Washington - 4 CENTS 4	DL-WMrk	x	x	350	x
FLAT	Washington - 5 CENTS 5	DL-WMrk	x	x	x	351

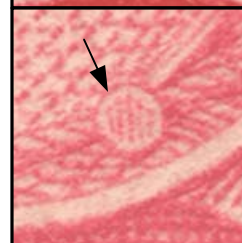
Besides these tables, we need to understand the what the Rotary Press issues added to the mix — other than the fact the Rotary Press produces a slightly elongated image from that of the Flat Plate press. Happened in this issue was that the engravers went and added some subtle varieties to the stamps. Three of which we will look at.



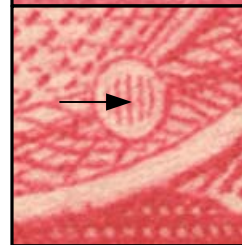
The easiest identifier is the “Toga Button” outlined in the stamp above:



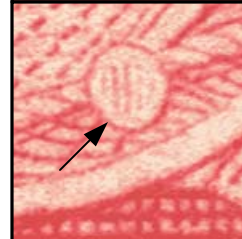
TYPE I: The outer lines of the toga button are poorly defined.



TYPE Ia: The outer lines in the toga button are very well defined and sharp.



TYPE II: All the lines in the toga button are well defined. The outline of the button are complete and the interior vertical lines are sharp.



TYPE III: The lines are like the Type I, except the outline of the button is more distinct. We will have to look at another portion of the stamp to make a definite determination though.

We'll look at that next month.