Identifying 1918-1920 2¢ Offset Washington Issues

To quickly sort through the 2¢ offset Washington issues, use this guide to systematically sort and organize your stock. There are only 5 types to distinguish.

1. Check Left Numeral "2"
   - **Broken “2”**
     - Type IV, V or Va
   - **Heavy Line**
     - Type VI
     - # 528A or 534A (imperf)
   - **Line Thinner than Type VI**
     - Type VII
     - # 528B

2. Dots on Nose
   - If 6 dots on nose, then Type IV or V
   - If 4 dots on nose, then Type Va
     - #528, 534 (imperf)
   - For Type VII, further proof
     - upper lip has 4 rows of 3 dots

3. Toga Rope & Button
   - Broken rope and "DID" in toga button
     - Type IV
     - #526, 532 (imperf)
   - Clearly defined lines,
     - button has vertical lines
     - Type V
     - #527, 533 (imperf)