

PROMOTE THE BRIDGE – DEMOTE THE HORSE

in the U.S.A. 1898 Trans-Mississippi Issue
for the 2¢ and \$2. denominations.

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THE ORIGINAL DESIGN DIE ESSAYS:

Two CENTS BI-COLOUR DIE ESSAY
shows that the Bridge was originally
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TRANS-MISSISSIPPI BRIDGE at St. Louis, MI
THREE STEEL ARCH SPANS (500' PER)
LARGEST BRIDGE when opened in 1874

Two DOLLARS BI-COLOUR ESSAY
shows that the Horse
was originally
intended to be the
vignette for the \$2.



HORSE
subtitled:
"HARVESTING IN THE WEST"

OTHER CHANGES:
Budget restraints
cancelled the bi-colour
HORSE vignette subtitle
was changed.

THE ISSUED STAMPS:

The \$2. HORSE
was DEMOTED to 2¢



HORSE
subtitled:
"FARMING IN THE WEST"

The 2¢ BRIDGE
was PROMOTED to \$2.



"MISSISSIPPI RIVER BRIDGE"
Engineer: James. B. Eads (1820-87)

*The Plate Guidelines show
that this is the UL stamp
from the LR pane*