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What is the article's central argument? What evidence does the author David Waldstreicher present to support his argument? (address at least two pieces of evidence)

Answer: In the article "How the Constitution was Indeed Pro-Slavery", David Waldstreicher argues that the constitution was pro-slavery. The author mentions the three-fifths clause and how "all other persons" are included. The word "Slave" was avoided in the constitution, the people who wrote the constitution didn't want to include the word slave so they used other

terms. The author also mentions that, "The shaping policies of the early republic were proslavery because the federal government was controlled by southern expansionists like Jefferson and Jackson, who saw Africans as a captive nation, a fifth column just waiting to be liberated (again) by the British."

What is the significance of the three-fifths clause?

Answer: The three-fifths clause was an important compromise because it established that each slave would be counted as three-fifths of a person. This gave white southerners more power in national affairs since the population grew and gave them more representatives in the house. This also affected the taxation on slave states.

(Optional): If time permits, share your final thoughts on the topic and/or sources.

Answer:

