Notes — Week 6

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Period 3

- The three-fifths compromise relates to representation and taxes (not the humanity of any people)
- The original constitution never uses the word "slave"
- Through the Great Compromise, one country was formed out of thirteen
- Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin became what was initially the Northwest Territory
- Under the Northwest Ordinance of 1787, all new states were brought in on an equal basis with the initial states, and slavery was not allowed
- By 1804, all northern states got rid of slavery
- Three-Fifths Compromise & Taxes:
 - North: 0% representation for slaves unless they are freed and made citizens, then 100%. There was a 100% tax on the importation of people
 - South: 100% representation of slaves in Congress. 0% taxes on people imported
- Slavery relies on positive law
 - States had to pass positive laws to allow slavery, or negative laws to forbid it
- Militia ≠ Army (Militias are private citizens)
- During the Revolutionary War, in the North, African-Americans were given freedom if they fought for the American side
- 20% of George Washington's Northern Army was made up of African-Americans
- South Carolina and Georgia fought to keep their slaves and the ability to import them
- Northern states set their antislavery date to 1804 at the latest
- James Madison is the father of the Constitution