A gold standard is a controversial topic. It is a method a government uses to calculate the value of paper money based on the gold's value. Proponents claim that using the gold stand is beneficial. Opponents in contrast claim that using the gold standard is a disadvantage. After review the text, I believe opponents' claim is stronger than the proponents' claim.

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The proponents in contrast use unreliable resources to support their claim that using the gold standard is beneficial. The proponents suggest that the U.S should go back to the gold standard because it provides long-term price stability and prevents inflation. The government cannot just flood the economy with money which causing the rising in price. The proponents support their claim by comparing outdated data of the average yearly inflation. For example, the average yearly inflation in the 1880 to 1914 was 0.1% while after the gold standard was eliminated, the average yearly inflation increased to 4.1% from 1946 to 2003.

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