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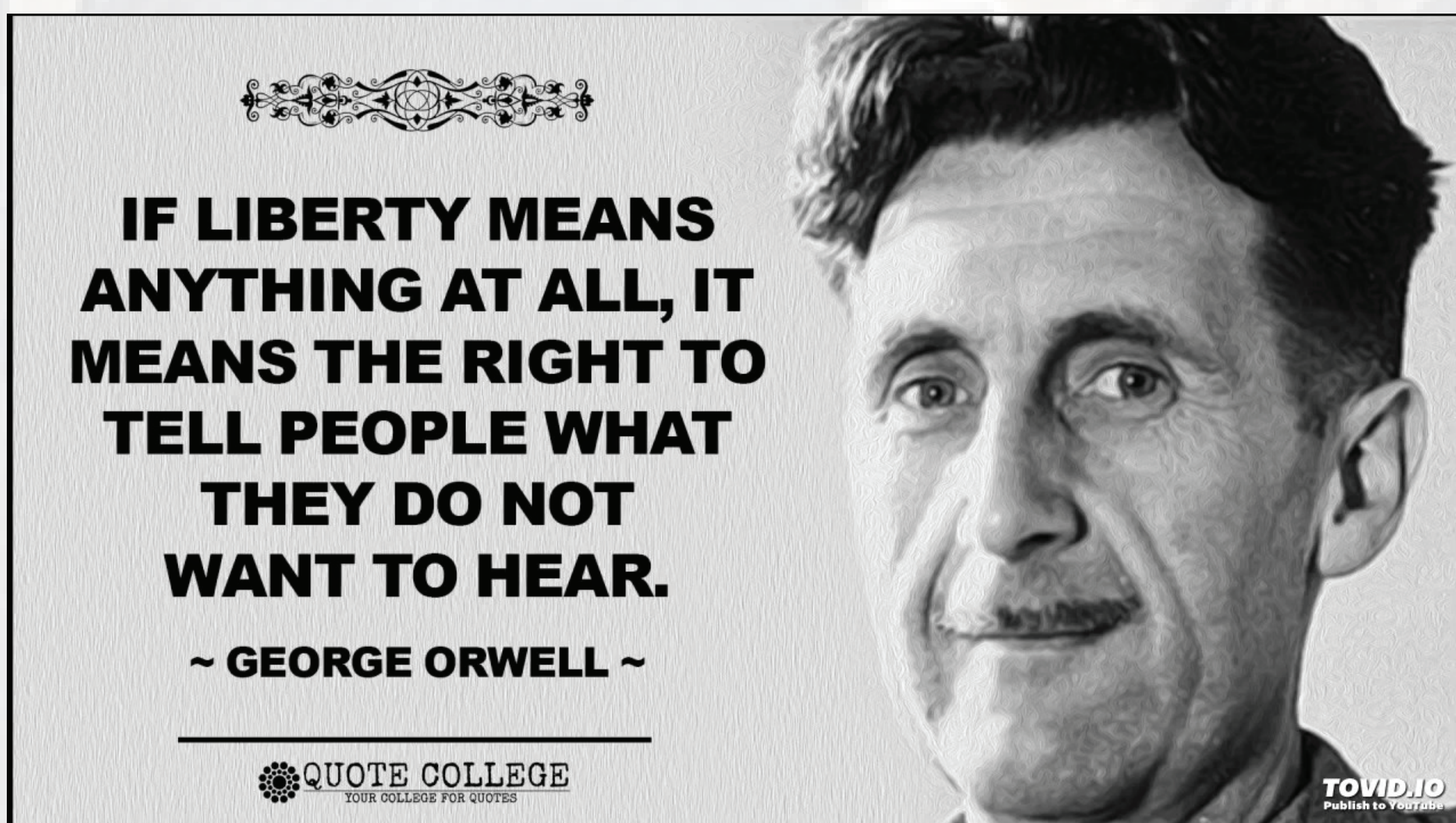
Approx. # Blair Families = 30,000

United States	22,500
Scotland	2,000
England/Wales	2,000
Australia	1,500
Canada	600
New Zealand	600
Northern Ireland	500
South Africa	300

## Famous Blairs

Of Scottish History:

Of American History:



Eric Blair, a writer best known by his pen name **George Orwell**

Robert Blair (1699-1746), a poet best known for the epic poem "The Grave" & his son Rt. Hon. Robert Blair of Avantoun Solicitor General for Scotland under George III, and Lord President of the Court of Session, (equivalent to Chief Justice of Supreme Court)

Dr. Patrick Blair, botanist and surgeon

Robert Blair, inventor of the aplanatic telescope



The Rt. Hon. Tony Charles Lynton Blair (born in 1953 in Edinburgh, educated in Fettes College, read law at Oxford Univ, Prime Minister of Great Britain since 1997)

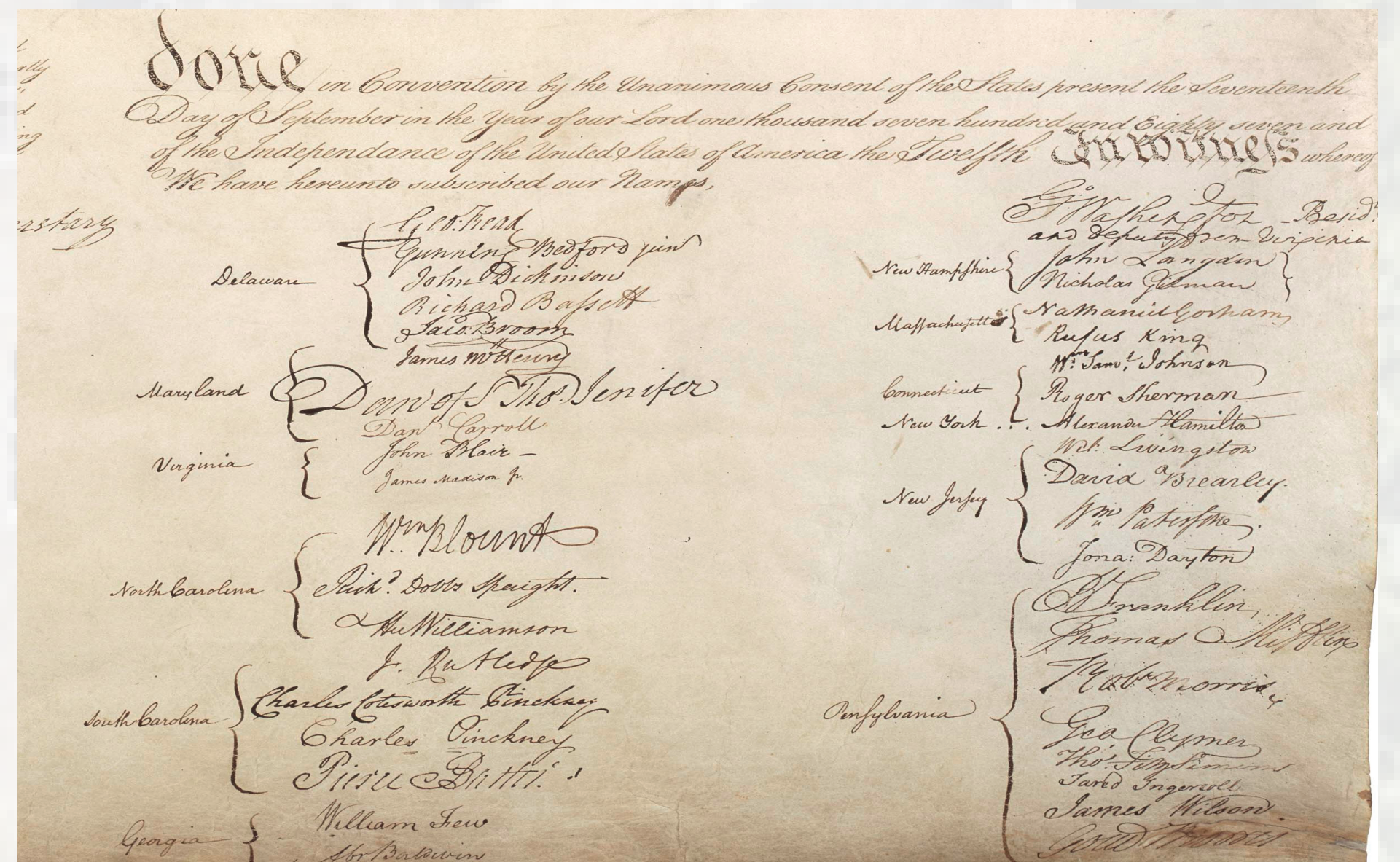
Rt. Hon. Robin Orr Blair LVO, WS, appointed Lord Lyon, King of Arms of Scotland by the Queen in 2001.



WILLIAM WALLACE.

### Brave Blairs:

Sir Bryce Blair was an adherent of Sir William Wallace but was executed by the English at the Barns of Ayr in 1296. His brother's son, Roger, was knighted by King Robert the Bruce for his services before & at Bannockburn. Another Blair, John Blair, had served as Chaplain to Sir William Wallace.



John Blair (nephew of James below), President of the VA Council and his son, John Blair, signer of the U.S. Constitution and Supreme Court Justice

The first Blair- Commissary James Blair, founded William & Mary College, and served as its president for 40 years. He was also acting Governor of the Colony of Virginia (1740-41)

Rev. John Blair helped found Princeton University



Numerous Congressman, Senators, Governors, and presidential confidants, including candidate for VP in 1868, Montgomery Blair.

Bonnie Blair, Olympic Gold Medal winner for speed skating

