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The name Bohun is of Norman origin. The first family from Normandy settled in Lincolnshire at an early date, and afterward some of the name settled in Devonshire, England. It is from this latter family that the American Boones are directly descended. The Bohun coat of arms was used before the fourteenth century, probably granted by a Norman-English king. It is not until the middle of the sixteenth century that we find the name Bohun or Boone spelled both ways in the same documents.

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DESCRIPTION.

The crest is flesh-colored hand grasping three steel-colored arrows; links silver and blue; body blue, lions and large diagonal silver; two dark small diagonal gold. Three shells, red, name “Boone” in silver.

In 1690 Ralph Boone lived in Bucks Co., Pa. Solomon Boone (yeoman) of Bristol, Pa., will dated Dec. 6, 1743, leaves his estate to his sons Joseph, Solomon, Ralph (b. 1733), and daughter Elizabeth. John Baldwin, John Cross and Solomon were executors; witnesses, John Johnson and Wm. Atkinson.

About 1714 George, Sarah and Squire Boone came to Bristol, Pa., from England. George Boone, father of George II, m. Sarah Uppy, d. aged 60; she 80 yr. Son, George III, b. 1666 at Stotok, m. Mary Mannridge, b. 1669 at Bradich, both near Exeter; her father John m. Mary Milton. George and Mary had nine children: George, Sarah, Squire, Mary, John, Joseph, Benjamin, James and Samuel. All had children except John, who was never married. All came to America (except the three already here); left Bradich 17 Aug., 1717, and went to Bristol, Eng.; arrived in Philadelphia Oct. 10 New Style, Sept. 29 Old Style; thence to Abington; thence to North Wales, 2 yr.; thence to Oley, Berks Co., where Sarah lived since being married, 1715. Then at Exeter George III died, on 27 July, 1744, aged 78. Marie his wife died 2 Feb., 1740-1, aged 72 yr.; buried Exeter Burying Ground.

(1) George IV, eldest son, b. Bradich, Eng., 13 July, 1690; d. Exeter, Pa., 20 Nov., 1753; 64 yr.; taught school several years near Philadelphia; good mathematician and magistrate. Wife De-
Daniel, son of Squire Boone, was born at Bristol, Pa., about 1732-33-35, exact date not known. After an eventful career in Kentucky and the West, he died in Missouri Sept. 26, 1820; buried at Frankfort, Ky.

I have failed after careful search to find the father of Jeremiah Boone, born in Pennsylvania, Feb. 29, 1760; died June 10, 1832. Am told that his father's name was Solomon, but I cannot verify the same. About 1785 Jeremiah Boone went west to Kentucky. On the old Boone farm, bought by Jeremiah, July 1, 1800, from G. Stepp, on Pitman Creek five miles northeast of Somerset and two and one-half east of Science Hill, stands a large pear tree seventy feet high planted by Jeremiah Boone while residing there a hundred years ago. Jeremiah Boone married Joyce Nevel, who was born in Virginia and came to Kentucky with her parents when she was eleven years old; married in Lincoln Co., Ky.; died in Lawrence Co., Ind., June 26, 1861, aged 93 yr. 1 mo. 12 days. Ch.: Sarah, Elijah, Simeon, Charlotte, Mahala, Hannah and Noah. Sarah m. Isaac Wagoner, Elijah died in 40's; m. Jennie Wagoner, Charlotte m. Reuben Mayfield Oct. 27, 1814. Mahala m. John Dishman; son Jerry, Owensburg, Ind. Hannah m. Adam Morrow. Noah m. Jane Rhodes, of Randolph Co., N. C.

Elijah's children: William, Jeremiah, Bethuel, Artemus, Isaac, Simeon, Sarah and Joyce (twins), and John. All dead except Joyce and John.


Revolutionary War, and that a Sergeant, James Bedford, received in February, 1789, twenty dollars for each enlistment. No further information relative to these soldiers has been found of record.

The records also show that one Reuben Mayfield served as a private in Captain Samuel Tate's Company, 7th (Tull's) Regiment of Mounted Kentucky Volunteers, war of 1812. His name appears on the rolls of that organization with remarks: "Court-martial of service, Aug. 23, 1813; expiration of service, Nov. 14, 1813; time paid for, 2 mos., 23 days." By authority of the Secretary of War: JOHN TWEBERDALE, Acting Chief, Record and Pension Office.

I am of the opinion that John Mayfield was the father of John, b. 1768, as the name "John" seems to run through the family of each generation down to the present time. John Mayfield and his wife Mary Wolf removed from Virginia to Kentucky, 1795, stopping at Knoxville, Tenn., for a month or so. He owned many slaves at the time of his death, caused by a tree falling on him. His brother William lived on an adjoining farm for a time, then moved to Tennessee with John's wife's father, Mr. Wolf.

Their son Reuben served in the War of 1812, from Somerset, Ky., through Indiana, Michigan and Canada. Married Charlotte Boone Oct. 27, 1814, in Pulaski Co., Ky., and at once moved to his mother's homestead two miles east of Pulaski, Ky., where he lived for three years before moving to Indiana. He first came to Lawrence Co., Ind., 1817. Aug. 20, 1825, bought land in Sec. 29, of William Woodrow; sold it to Samuel H. Mitchell March 14, 1836. On Jan. 5, 1837, Oct. 8, 1851, Dec. 30 1844, he entered U.S. lands in Secs. 8 and 7, Tr. 5 N. R. 2 W. near to his father-in-law, Jeremiah Boone, who lived on Sec. 7. Went to Missouri 1837. Died at Oxford, Worth Co., Mo., Nov. 22, 1861. His widow at age of 77 years was pensioned from Page Co., Hollyville, In. (The writer was born on west bank of Indian Creek opposite the New Maplefield place. Above entry.)

Their son, Alexander Campbell, named after the distinguished Disciples minister, born at Linton, Greene Co., Ind., May 6, 1831. Served in Morgan's raid under Capt. Samuel W. Short and Platt Stannard. Married Winnie Short Jan. 12, 1854, at Springville, Ind. The National Cyclopedia of American Biography, Vol. XI, reads: "Reuben Newton Mayfield, physician, born near Bedford, Ind., June 13, 1859; son of Alexander Campbell and Winney (Short) Mayfield. His grandfather, Milton Short, was a Disciples Christian preacher, and at one time the owner of a large number of slaves, whom he voluntarily freed before the Civil War. His paternal grandmother was a cousin of Daniel Boone, the Kentucky pioneer. Through his mother he is a descendant of Col. Robert Tate, of Ky., a distinguished citizen of Kentucky. In the War of 1812 his paternal grandfather, Reuben Mayfield, a Virginian by birth, participated. Ancestors on both sides served in Revolutionary War. At the age of fourteen he was graduated at the high school of Springville, and immediately began to teach in the school. After following this calling for a few years, he studied medicine, first at the Kentucky School of Medicine and afterwards at the Long Island Hospital College, New York, being graduated there in 1880, and subsequently at Rush College, Chicago, Ill. He also pursued several special courses in medicine at other institutions. On completing his studies he accepted a position as lecturer on pathology and clinical medicine at the University of Colorado. While holding this position he also established himself as a practicing physician and a specialist in throat, lung and stomach troubles. He was Major and Surgeon for many years in 1st Colorado Regiment and Brigade Surgeon in the campaign of Cripple Creek in 1894 and that of Leadville in 1896. He also served during a part of his residence in Colorado as president of the board of medical examiners of the state. For about five years he was surgeon of the Union Pacific Railway system. In 1897 Dr. Mayfield removed to New York City, and there continued to practice in his special subjects. He has had unusual success in the treatment of what are commonly called incurable diseases, and has published in pamphlet form the results of his investigations along original lines. Besides the societies already mentioned, which he served as officer, Dr. Mayfield is enrolled as a member of the American Medical Society, and of the New York Medical Society; he was also a member of the Colorado State Medical Society. He is an official member of several secret orders. Dr. Mayfield was married in Denver, Col., Feb. 14, 1859, to Ada E., daughter of John A. Thomas, of Chicago, who is of English ancestry and has one son, Roy T. Mayfield."


Artemcy, b. Oct. 2, 1804. M. Isame Scyher. Some children: Alfred, b. May 16, 1806; d. April 11, 1856, Pulaski, Ky.; m. Eliza Adams, Jan., 1831; had eight children, all dead except Elizabeth Jane, Wright, Ridgeville, Ind., and Zachary Taylor Mayfield, who now lives on the old Mayfield homestead two miles east of Pulaski, Ky. His