

## Marsdon Grubb



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Some Interesting History from the March 18, 1954 Cleveland Plain Dealer

### Rocky River High Principal Explains Demotion Request

Marsdon U. Grubb, principal of Rocky River High School for 21 years, explained last night why he asked to be relieved of that job and be assigned instead to a position in the science department.

"Although I have been treated royally in all my years here—the teachers, the kids and the community are wonderful — a principal works just about 12 months a year and nearly every night in the week running around to this and that meeting," Grubb pointed out.

"I'll take a cut in pay, from \$7,500 to \$6,000, but I'll have the three summer months free, I'll save a lot of gasoline, and for almost the first time in my life I'll be able to spend some time with my family.

"Another thing. I'm convinced there is nothing so satisfying as working with students in the classroom. I've gotten away from that because of administrative chores, and I've missed the opportunity more than I can say."

Grubb's request was accepted by Supt. Thoburn S. Davis and the school board "with feelings of regret and appreciation for his outstanding service and ability as principal of the high school." A position in the science department will be available, Davis said.

Grubb, 52, served as a junior high school principal in Charleston, Ill., and Athens, O., before coming to Rocky River. He also taught freshman zoology at the Eastern Illinois State Teachers College at one time.

Davis pointed out that under Grubb's leadership Rocky River High has gained the reputation of being one of the outstanding college preparatory high schools in the state and is nationally known.

The following information was obtained from North Carolina records and confirmed:

Name:	<b>Marsdon Union Grubb</b>
Gender:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	71
Birth Date:	9 Feb 1901
Birth Place:	Illinois, United States
Death Date:	22 Sep 1972
Death Location:	Hendersonville, Henderson
Spouse's Name:	Mary M Summers
Father's Name:	Lorenzo Grubb
Mother's Name:	Alma Wright
Residence:	Hendersonville, Henderson, North Carolina