## Photo of the Month

## **Rogers Academy**



Third grade at the Rogers Academy, 1909. Negative #N008549.

Established in 1883, the Rogers Academy was funded and administered by the Congregational Church and later by the Presbyterian Church. The school grounds were known as Campus Park, and the school buildings included Elizabeth Hall, a dormitory. The Rogers Academy was a cultural and recreational center for the community, but by 1914 it was plagued by debt. In that year the Rogers school district purchased the Academy grounds and buildings. Rogers Public Schools used the buildings until 1936, when they were torn down to build Central Ward school.