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Nothing was easy in Nicodemus. Attracting investors and new businesses turned out to be just as tough as the hardscrabble ground.

W.R. Hill, formerly the town's pied piper, became preoccupied with another venture—an all-white town he'd established and named Hill City.

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In 1886, the townspeople began pinning their hopes on attracting a railroad. A railroad would bring business, employment, investment and hopefully, prosperity.

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A group of Nicodemus businessmen met with officials of the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company.