

# Summer Reads

## The Gatsby Bookshelf

Danielle Ganek's first novel takes place in the smooth and snarky New York art world; her second, ***The Summer We Read Gatsby*** (Viking; \$25.95), motors out to the Hamptons (except when it helicopters in) for a much more delightful diversion. Entertainingly unlike half sisters Cassie and Peck Moriarty inherit their aunt's Southampton cottage and along with it a potent secret, some swoony romantic prospects and several

friends even Fitzgerald would have relished. In ***Banana Republican*** (Farrar, Straus and Giroux; \$25), on the other hand, Eric Rauchway imagines *Gatsby's* Tom

Buchanan after the close of that classic. Tom's a rogue, a racist, a gunrunner and a numskull—all in Jazz Age Nicaragua—but makes illuminating company nonetheless.

