

SYNOPSIS

Young Nick Carraway decides to forsake the hardware business of his family in the middle West in order to sell bonds in New York city. He takes a small house in West Egg on Long Island and becomes involved in the lives of his neighbours there.

Near Nick's house lives Jay Gatsby, a mysterious man of great wealth. Gatsby entertains lavishly, but his past was unknown to his neighbours. One day Tom Buchanan takes Nick to call on his mistress, a married woman named Myrtle Wilson. They have party with their friends and Nick is unable to get away. Nick learns that Tom and his wife, Daisy (Nick's distant cousin) are not happily married.

A few days later Nick attends Gatsby's party where Nick meets Gatsby for the first time. Frequently, Gatsby is called away by telephone calls, showing that he is an important businessman. That summer Gatsby giving many parties. Nick goes to all of them, enjoying each time the society of people from walks of life who appear to take advantage of Gatsby's bounty.

One day, Gatsby takes Nick to lunch and introduces him to Wolfsheim, from whom Nick gets hint to identify the sources of some of Gatsby's wealth.

From Jordan Baker Nick knows that Gatsby was Daisy's past lover when Gatsby was poor and unknown while Tom was rich and influential. Therefore, Daisy left Gatsby for Tom. But Gatsby is still in love with Daisy and he wants Jordan and Nick to bring Daisy back to him. It is arranged that Nick should invite Daisy for tea at the same day he invites Gatsby. The tea party is held in Nick's house, from where Daisy can see Gatsby's luxurious house. They meet again in the tea party, both Gatsby and Daisy are shy and awkward in their reunion. Then Daisy promises to attend Gatsby's next party.

Gatsby informs Nick of his origin. His true name is James Gatz, and he was born in the Middle West. He joined the army and after the war he became a partner in the drug business. He was lucky and became rich.

Gatsby gives a quiet party for Jordan, the Buchanans and Nick. At the hotel Tom accused Gatsby of stealing his wife and also of being dishonest. During the argument Daisy sided with both men. On the way back to the suburbs Gatsby drives his own car, accompanied by Daisy, who temporarily will not speak to her husband.

Following them, Nick and Jordan and Tom stop to investigate an accident in front of Wilson's garage. They discover the dead body of Myrtle Wilson, stuck by a hit and run driver in yellow car. They believe that Gatsby's car has struck Myrtle Wilson. Nick learns the next day

from Gatsby that Daisy had been driving when the woman was hit. However, Gatsby is willing to take the responsibility. In the meantime, George Wilson traces Gatsby's yellow car and a few moment later both of them are found in Gatsby's estate.

Nick tries to make Gatsby's funeral respectable, but no one attends except Nick and Gatsby's father. Then, Nick finds that Tom takes part in Gatsby's death. Tom has visited Wilson and makes Wilson believe that it is Gatsby who is responsible for the death of Myrtle Wilson. Nick vows that his friendship with Daisy and Tom has ended. He decides to return to his people in the Middle West.