

The Faraways estate (outlined in GREEN on the satellite photo, with the dashed green line indicating the footpath that originally connected Faraways with the lower end of Dunscombe Road...passing down the western side of the property of my grandmother's brother, **Lemuel Henry Tucker** - born 1921 and died about 1980, whose house is marked in BLUE, then down the western side of the property - marked in YELLOW - of my grandmother's first cousin, **Grace Louise Taylor** - born **Adcock** in 1921, married *Wilbur Nathaniel Taylor*, and died in 2011 - and the eastern side of a property that belonged to the elderly **Parsons** in the 1970s) was evidently originally built as tourist accommodation on land purchased from Lemuel Norman Tucker by *J. F. Hutchings* before the Second World War. By the 1970s, it was, I believe, used as staff quarters for the Princess Hotels.

I have not been able to work out the eastern boundary of Lemuel Norman Tucker's original landholding, and it is possible that some part of the Flamingo Beach property was previously part of his estate. From the 1970s to the demolition of the Flamingo Beach (and Banana Beach Club) there was a tract of undeveloped land between the Flamingo Beach property and the former **US Navy Anti-Aircraft Training Centre** ("Training School")...East of the dashed yellow line I have marked on the satellite photo, running from the road down the NE side of the three munitions bunkers (buried in a berm: 32°15'59.6"N 64°47'34.0"W) to the ocean.

Immediately to the NE of the munitions bunkers there had been a pink house (32°16'00.7"N 64°47'31.8"W) in derelict state near the westbound bus stop on the southern side of the South Shore Road, which I assume was built before the Second World War as the house appears to be visible in the Second World War-era photograph above. My mother has said that the house, or the land it was built on, was purchased from my great-grandfather. I do not know if the entire tract of land between the anti-aircraft gunnery school and the Flamingo Beach was part of that property (if so, it was not maintained as lawn space, but allowed to grow wild). The last occupant I believe was the poor fellow who fell or otherwise descended from the top of the cliff to his death sometime about 1974 or 1975 (I remember watching his body being brought up). That house was taken down before, or when, the area was developed for the Grand Atlantic or whatever the housing estate there is now called.

I have not heard, but I reckon that Lemuel Norman Tucker also owned the opposing land on the northern side of the South Shore Road, and on the eastern side of the southern end of Dunscombe Road.

At the highest point of Dunscombe Road (32°16'07.8"N 64°47'34.8"W), where it passes over the ridgeline (and where an access driveway now called "DeSilva Drive" led from Dunscombe Road eastwards into the upper end of a quarry on the western side of the Tribe Road...that quarry has been built up with housing since the 1970s) and turns from climbing the southern slope on roughly a NNE heading to descending the northern slope on a WSW heading towards its intersection with Ord Road, was definitely the eastern-most limit of his remaining land at the time of his death in 1945 (divided into three lots, left to two of my grandmothers sisters, **Christiana Eunice Ophelia Tyrell** (born "Tucker" in 1916; died in 2016) and **Etoile Elizabeth Burch** (born "Tucker" in 1920 and died in 2020), the latter of whom recently had a lawsuit concerning part of her property that "Faraways" owners have been squatting on since 1945. The survey of that land enclosed in his will shows it was inside the triangle formed by Dunscombe Road and the Faraways estate to its west. The land on the eastern side of Dunscombe road at that point is shown as **Edness** property (like the Tucker's, the Ednesses also ran a grocery...when we were children, it was still in business in the small building on the northern side of the South Shore Road (two properties to the East of Tribe Road No. 1, or "Billy Goat Hill").

Lemuel Norman Tucker sold or gave plots to family members and others, including the site of the Princess hotels' staff accommodations (or such they were in the 1970s) at the top hill (I think the fellow he sold that land to was named Middleton, but I would have to double check that), the estate called "Faraways" (the older house on the northern side of the main entrance to Faraways...visible in the second photograph...was his own house, although I gather that when my grandmother was a child they had lived on Chapel Road, Paget...in a house now belonging to or occupied by the **Kirk** family (husband/father taught my brothers at Warwick Academy and was my Boys' Brigade instructor at St. Paul's).

If I surmise correctly, then Grace Louise Taylor's (Adcock) house must have been built on land obtained from Lemuel Norman Tucker. Also, presumably built on land acquired from Lemuel Norman Tucker is the building on the east side of Dunscombe Road and the north side of South Shore Road that has been used to house a number of dining establishments over the decades (including the "Palm Cafe" in the 1970s, "McHerman's" if I recollect correctly, in the 1980s, and most recently "Swizzle Inn Warwick"), which was inherited about a dozen years ago by Grace Louise Taylor's daughter, **Laquita Bell**.

You will notice on the survey from Lemuel Norman Tucker's will that Grace Louise Taylor (Adcock) owned a plot in 1945 on the northern slope of the ridgeline, and on the SW side of Dunscombe Road, beside what is now the rear access lane to Faraways. This appears to be the site of a house where a friend of my mother's (a Hayward by marriage) lived with her children in the 1970s. Although I visited it often, I do not recall any connection of that property to my cousin Grace. I can only assume that she bought it from Lemuel Norman Tucker then sold it or exchanged it for the site where her home actually was built.