

  
**PORTER FARMS**  
 BIRTHPLACE OF AGRICULTURAL  
 ECONOMIZATION LEAGUE, UNDER  
 LEAD OF DR. WILSON W. WOOD, U.S.  
 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.  
 ON FEB. 26, 1923, FROM PLANTS  
 GROWN IN A SPECIAL CORNFIELD  
 OF CHILDS SELECTED FARM OF  
 W. AND MRS. WILSON W. WOOD FOR  
 1921 "FARM DEMONSTRATION" FOR  
 PROJECT WAS FIRST SUCCESSFUL  
 IN DEMONSTRATING METHOD OF  
 FARMING.  
 DEMONSTRATION IS NOW PART OF EACH  
 STATE LAND-GRANT UNIVERSITY AND  
 HEADED BY MANY FOREIGN NATIONALS.  
 PORTER FARM STILL CREATES TWO  
 FINEST FARM "WATER SCENES" AND  
 FARMERS MUST JOINED WARD.

THE PORTER FARMS  
 WERE THE FIRST  
 TO BE  
 ESTABLISHED  
 IN THE  
 STATE OF TEXAS  
 IN 1923  
 BY DR. WILSON W. WOOD  
 OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
 AND MRS. WILSON W. WOOD  
 OF THE PORTER FARMS  
 IN 1923



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**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

PORTER FARM

AND/OR COMMON

Porter Farm

**2 LOCATION**

CITY, TOWN

Terrell

\_\_\_VICINITY OF

Texas

STATE

COUNTY

Kaufman

**3 PHOTO REFERENCE**

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Landmark plaque, State plaque and local marker at the Porter farm, looking southeast.



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The demonstration plat, looking north.

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Tomato barn, which sits on the south side of the demonstration plat, looking west.

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The old Farm House, looking northeast.