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Cover:

Field of maize showing lodging of mature plants caused by the girdling of southwestern corn borers as they prepared their overwintering cells in the base of the stalks. "After preparing the hibernation cells in the base of the stalk, and assuming the hibernation coloration, many of the borers move up the stalk to approximately 4 inches above the soil surface and from the inside girdle the stalks until they are partially or completely severed" (D. A. Wilbur, H. R. Bryson, and R. H. Painter 1950).

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