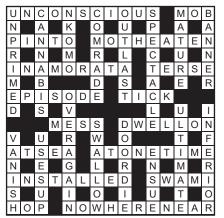
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ACROSS

1 Useless player who didn't give a damn about grip (6,3)

6 Put back mug next to small plates (5)

9 Dawn's heard swallows love the end of winter (7)

10 What's bad to inhale, American explorer brought back initially (7)

11 Husband's tattoo turns a little pasty (5)

12 Top bananas pose with Trump (9)

14 How silly not to have seen that note (3)

15 Jumbo from Asia regularly runs between 1 and 3 mph (3,5,3)

17 Fellow shifting pudge, possibly marathon finisher (4,2,5)

19 Sponge cake with name changed to Mike (3)

20 Very wet day judged suitable for kids (9)22 Understand book prize given in reverse order (5)

24 Five faulty neural nets lose complexity (7)

26 Remote settlement not allowed deliveries (7)

27 Senior member longing to have party leading (5)

28 Will writer misrepresent artist in Texas?(9)

DOWN

1 Was an alcoholic dead stinky? (5)

2 Supply household goods for John's husband (7)

3 What are plastic bits of rubbish doing to this planet? (9)

4 Swallow flying fairly vertically, straight as an arrow (4,7)

5 Take everything out of boat that pulls over (3)

6 River miles away from wood (5)

7 Pluck a bass to listen to instrument (7)

8 Not drinking during seaside jollies, for the present (5-4)

13 Arguments smooth criminal put in clipped plain language (4,3,4)

14 Pet children and avoid boring father (9)16 Queen moved to palace which houses

king (9)

18 Voice lasts for Hail Mary, just (7)

19 Urban Brazilian couple headed up to British woman's bedroom (7)

21 Taken by car that doesn't start, broken (5)

23 Smoother skin of bambino to kiss (5)

25 Burning books (3)