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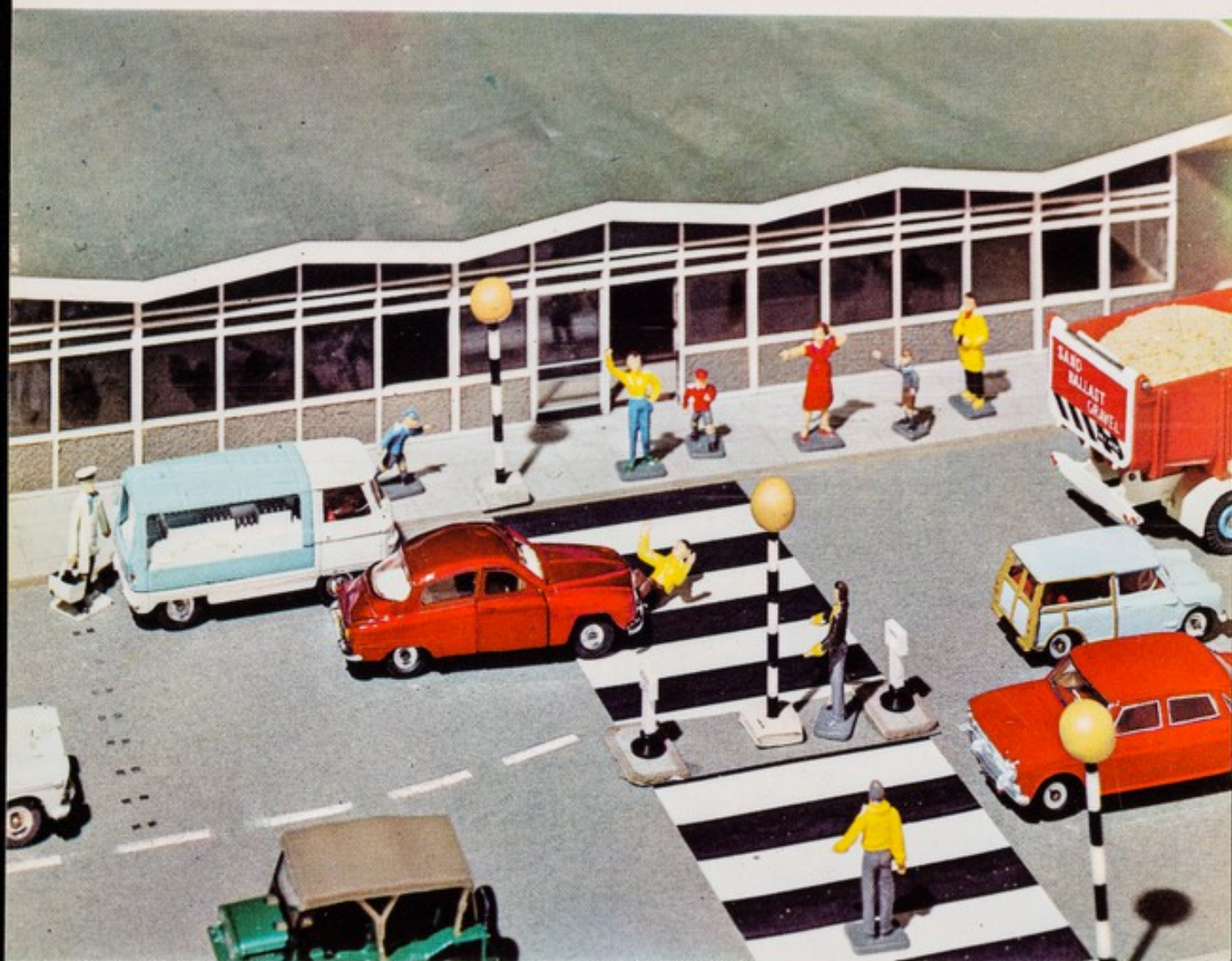
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No.3 CASUALTY AT THE CROSSING

Stopping obediently at the pedestrian crossing in your red 1800 saloon, you are shocked to see a pedestrian knocked down by a red Saab coming the other way. While you are attending the injured pedestrian, a policeman asks your opinion of the cause of the accident.

Which one of these people do *you* consider was guilty of the greatest carelessness :—



Mr. George Eyles, Director of Tests at the Institute gives you his verdict overleaf.

- The driver of the Saab ?
- The pedestrian ?
- The milkman ?

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The driver of the milk float (c) is committing an offence, says Mr. Eyles, by parking inside the studs at the approach to a pedestrian crossing, but this does not absolve the driver of the Saab from approaching the pedestrian crossing with extreme care because of the obstruction of view. Both drivers (a) and (c) must accept a share of the blame, although the driver of the milk float has undoubtedly set the scene for this accident.