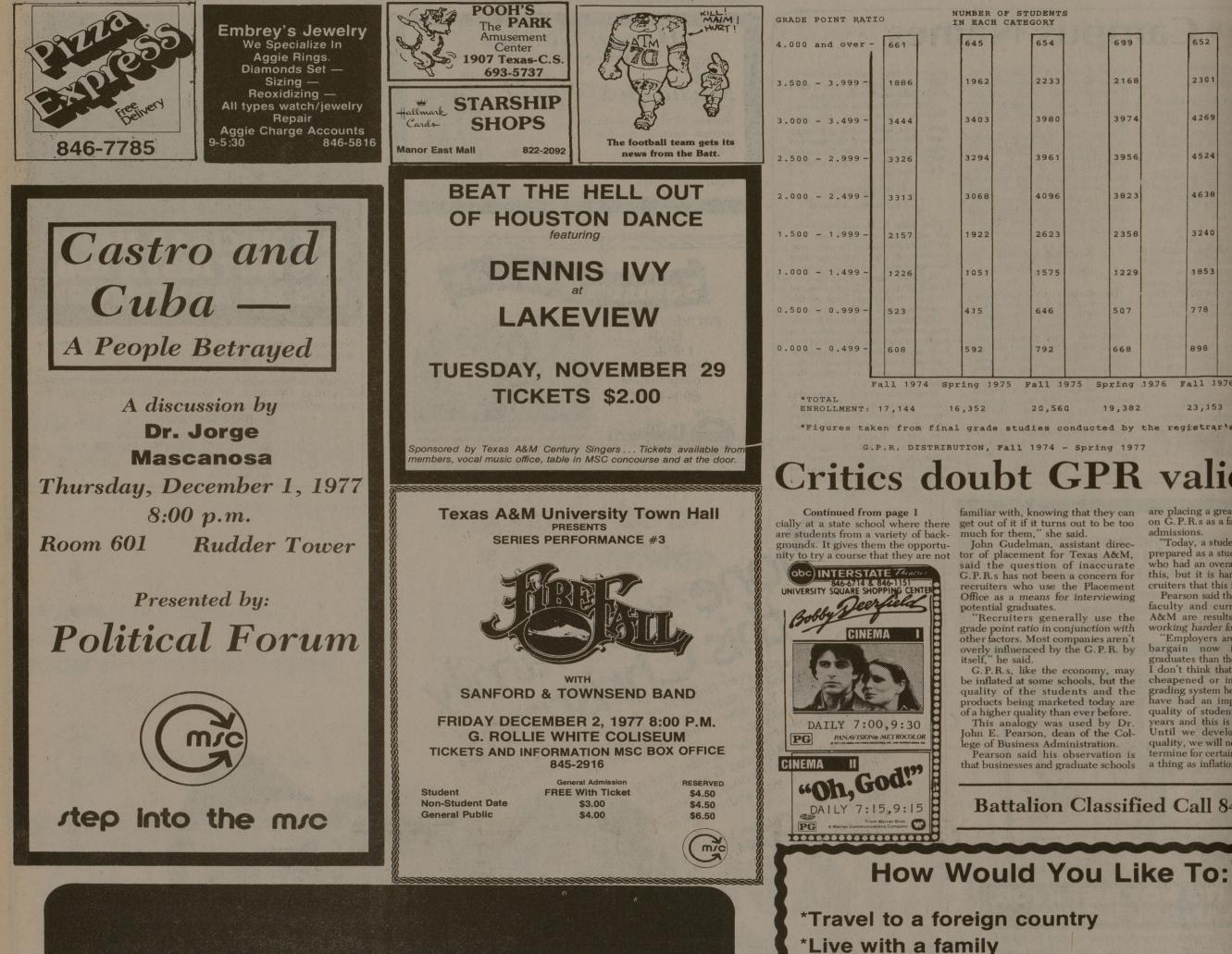
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*TOTAL ENROLLMENT: 17,144 16,352 20,560 19,382 23,153 21,641							
*Figures taken from final grade studies conducted by the registrar's office							
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Critics doubt GPR validity

familiar with, knowing that they can are placing a great deal of em on G. P. R. s as a factor in hirin get out of it if it turns out to be too much for them," she said. John Gudelman, assistant direc-tor of placement for Texas A&M,

said the question of inaccurate G.P.R.s has not been a concern for recruiters who use the Placement Office as a means for interviewing potential graduates.

"Recruiters generally use the grade point ratio in conjunction with other factors. Most companies aren't overly influenced by the G.P.R. by itself," he said.

G.P.R.s, like the economy, may be inflated at some schools, but the quality of the students and the of a higher quality than ever before. This analogy was used by Dr. John E. Pearson, dean of the Col-

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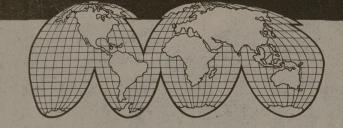
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