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## U.S. balance drops despite high oil cost

United Press International WASHINGTON — The U.S. balance of payments owed to the rest of the world shrank to \$317 million in 1979, the Commerce Department reported Thursday — which is virtually the zero balance the administration had hoped to have.

Compared to deficits of \$14 billion in 1977 and \$13.5 billion in 1978, the figure for 1979 was a dramatic im\$18 billion rise in this country's bill for foreign oil.

The payments are determined by the amount of U.S. exports measured against the amount of its imports. The sharp improvement in the payments balance is expected to strengthen the dollar.

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Early last year, before oil prices went up, the administration had hoped for a substantial surplus in

What was good news for the United States was bad news for some other major countries. Japan and Germany, both more dependent on foreign oil than the United States, are expected to move from large surplus balances in 1978 to large deficits

U.S. government economists estimate the 13 Organization of Petroleum Exporting countries have gone from a \$7 billion surplus in 1978 to a \$65 billion surplus in 1979.

The United States ran a deficit of \$900 million in the last quarter of 1979, the Commerce Department said, after a \$1.1 billion surplus in the third quarter. About two-thirds of the shift was due to an increase of \$1.3 billion in the merchandise trade

## Stadium lights may be ticket sign

By SHERRY WOODARD

Campus Reporter Because students assumed that some home basketball games were full when, in fact, seats remained in G. Rollie White Col-iseum, Athletic Director Marvin Tate has an idea that might eliminate future misunderstandings about seat availability.

Tate said his idea is to use the Kyle Field stadium lights as a way of telling students before a game that seats are still available. Tate said that he thought Kyle

Field is very visible from all parts

"We could take some of our banks of lights and figure out a system where when it (G. Rollie White) was empty, all the lights would be on. When it was 25 per-cent full, cut one bank of lights off. In other words, have a graduated system so that when it was

Tate said, "I don't believe there was another game (besides Arkansas) that we played that was completely full. And I just feel like with the team we had and the

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Tate said the coliseum was in being filled because students thought the coliseum was fully apply the said below. when it wasn't. He said that felt that part of the reason we that students do not want to get

line at 2 p.m. for a 7 p.m. game
"I can understand that wouldn't want to stand in lin three or four hours when I could be studying.

During the season, the col iseum doors usually opened at 5

p.m.
Tate said that he would like to come up with some method of letting the students "conveniently" know that the coliseum sti has seats available. Tate says that with this system, he feels that its students sees the lights, he might say, "Hey! The coliseum isn't full, let's go over and see the

He said the idea was "throw out" to the student senate.

"It's kind of a ridiculous idea, Tate said, "But you know some times when you brainstorm w come up with something useful

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