## Iniversity Has o Departments n Top Rating

New Orleans - The University North Carolina at Chapel Hill ood second to Johns Hopkins in number of its liberal art dertments adjudged to be "among e best departments in the counaccording to a rating survey ide by the 49 colleges and unirsities composing the Southern niversity Conference (not to be nfused with the Southern Con-'s erence in athletics!)

Results of the survey, which did ot include professional or techological departments, were anonnced here by Dean Logan Wiln of Tulane University, chairan of a special Conference comwhich made the survey. hancelfor Harvie Branscomb of anderbilt University is president the Conference this year.

The survey covered the acadenic year 1949-50 and the rating vas based on graduate work (reearch and creative activity) in 3 liberal arts fields.

A total of 532 departments were studied in the 49 colleges and miversities, which range from Maryland through Texas and inlude the state universities of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alaama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Louiana, Mississippi and Texas.

Thirty-three of the 532 departents stuided in the 49 instituons were rated "among the best were at Johns Hopkins, 10 were Chapel Hill, five at Duke, two Virginia, and one each at Emo-. Tennessee, and Texas.

An "opiniosnaire" on which the urvey was based was sent to 44 educational leaders asking em to rate the 532 departments lassifications: 1. "among the best departments anywhere in the ountry," 2. "among the best departments anywhere in the South," "a good department," 4. "an adequate department," and 5. have no knowledge of the department," or 'do not wish to comment." Of the 631 usable replies abulated, 361 were from heads of departments in member institui-

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