W&L's trustees decided to admit women after 25 years of only male undergraduates, that it oc-

E... she acknowledged that she also liked being in the first coed Class of '33. (She cautioned that she's "not a rebel or a big liberated woman or anything".)

As soon as she arrived Saturday, fraternity men were vying to help her move in. "They brought just about everything up here," she said.

"She's very adventurous, she's very independent," said her father, as he waved to alum friends across the campus. "This is just her thing."

He teased her because he said he bought only one suitcase to Lexington in the late '30s, while she brought half their house. He said he was amused to see the formerly spartan, all-male dorms bedecked with teddy bears, curtains, carpets and other comforts brought by the women.

Apart from a few freshmen being annoyed by a television crew as they hauled their belongings up their dorm steps on the 92-degree afternoon, it was a congenial, typical college moving-in day. It was so hot, students had swapped up almost every electric fan in town by late afternoon.

Although a majority of students and alumni had opposed coed-

Classes don't begin until next-

Student body president John B. Lewis, 23, of Greenville, said he expects to see some animosity toward the women later on. "People don't change overnight," he said.

Not so far, Lewis said. W&L men have welcomed the women with enthusiasm. "I think everybody's looking forward to a smooth, quiet transition," he said.

He noted that W&L's freshman dorm rooms weren't so "color-coordinated" when they were inhabited only by men. "I never saw so many pink curtains," he said Sunday.

Kathleen Plante, a transfer from Hollins College who had considered being the only female of this year's senior class, said Sunday she may postpone her graduation a year—primarily because she may pursue a double major that would require further study.

Another reason, she said, is that many senior women want to finish as W&L's last all-male class. She said she's gotten both "positive" and "negative" male student response to her transfer.

"The negative ones came from one who would graduate this year," she said. "If she tries to graduate with them, she said, "possibly I could create a teeny bit of hostility."

Several other women have transferred into the sophomore and freshman classes this year, so

Plante probably would not be the only woman graduate in 1987.

Coeducation is not really new to W&L. Its law school admitted women in 1972.

One of the unfortunate spinoffs of undergraduate coeducation, according to Lewis, is that this year's sophomores, who enrolled as the last all-male freshman class, have been made to feel like outsiders because of unfavorable academic comparisons with current freshmen, touted as the most highly qualified class in W&L's history.

A W&L release in a press packet handed out Sunday says that the freshman class includes 35 valedictorians and salutators of high school classes and 50 National Merit Scholars or finalists, compared with nine last year.

Frequent references to the contrasts "made them feel very ill at ease, inferior," Lewis said of the sophomores.