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Everything Here But Washington---Old Senate Restored



On the exact spot occupied by the chair at the left end of the table in the foreground George Washington stood while he resigned his commission as commander of the American armies. Many of the pieces of furniture are original.

RESTORED SENATE SET FOR DEDICATION

Exercises Planned By D. A.
R. In Historic Chamber In
Annapolis Thursday

Old Room Is Once Again
Masterpiece Of Colonial
Architecture

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Annapolis, Jan. 18—Restored to look exactly as it did in George Washington's time, the old Maryland Senate chamber in the State House here, after years of planning, is ready to be dedicated.

The dedication ceremonies will be held Thursday by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Exercises Were Postponed
The ceremonies were originally scheduled for last Thursday, but bad weather, making travel to Annapolis almost impossible, forced a postponement.

Until the restoration, the old room was the retiring room for Senators.

Once Again Masterpiece
But now the room once again is a masterpiece of Colonial architecture. The desk and chair used in those days by the president of the State Senate is once again in its old position on the rostrum.

Surrounding the rostrum are replicas of desks and chairs used at the time when Washington resigned his commission as commander in chief of the Continental armies in the room.