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The first annual Southeastern Horse Sale was held on Saturday, December 6, in Asheville, NC. A total of 149 entries were consigned and the sale took place over two sessions. The first 83 entries went in the morning session, which started at 10:00 am. The remaining consignments sold during the evening session with a start time of 5:30 pm. There was a good mix of proven show horses, prospects, breeding stock, roadster horses and ponies, and hackneys to choose from. There was also a tack sale at 8:30 am featuring everything from bits to buggys. The weather was chilly, but the inside of the arena was very comfortable, and was decorated beautifully with a Christmas theme.

The sale topper was A Material Girl, a sporty Three-Gaited mare consigned by Jill Quaid of Science Hill, KY. Tom Lee had the final bid for the buyer, Jeanie Waddell of Cedartown, GA. There were many other fine opportunities for buyers and several have already reported turning a profit from their purchases.

The Southeastern Horse Sale is a new venture undertaken by Ray Cloninger and Wyatt Lilly, who plan to make it an annual event held the first weekend in December in Asheville. Here is a statement from Mr. Cloninger: "We would like to thank everyone who participated in the sale, both buyers and consignors. We thought the sale was a great success and we look for it to grow in the future. It is an idea that was needed in the southeast, and we are looking forward to bringing buyers and sellers together."