

## *Endurance* by Alfred Lansing: A Review

This impressive, exciting book is the standard, indeed classic, narration of the outstanding accomplishment of Sir Ernest Shackleton. First published in 1959 and republished in 2014. Shackleton's story is, I think, a useful metaphor for some of the qualities we all need in these difficult times, not least of which are uprightness, integrity, courage, and almost unimaginable steadiness of purpose. Shackleton was already a knighted Antarctic explorer when he set out from England in 1914, as World War I, was just beginning, and under the auspices of the British navy and its First Lord, Winston Churchill. His ship, the *Endurance*,