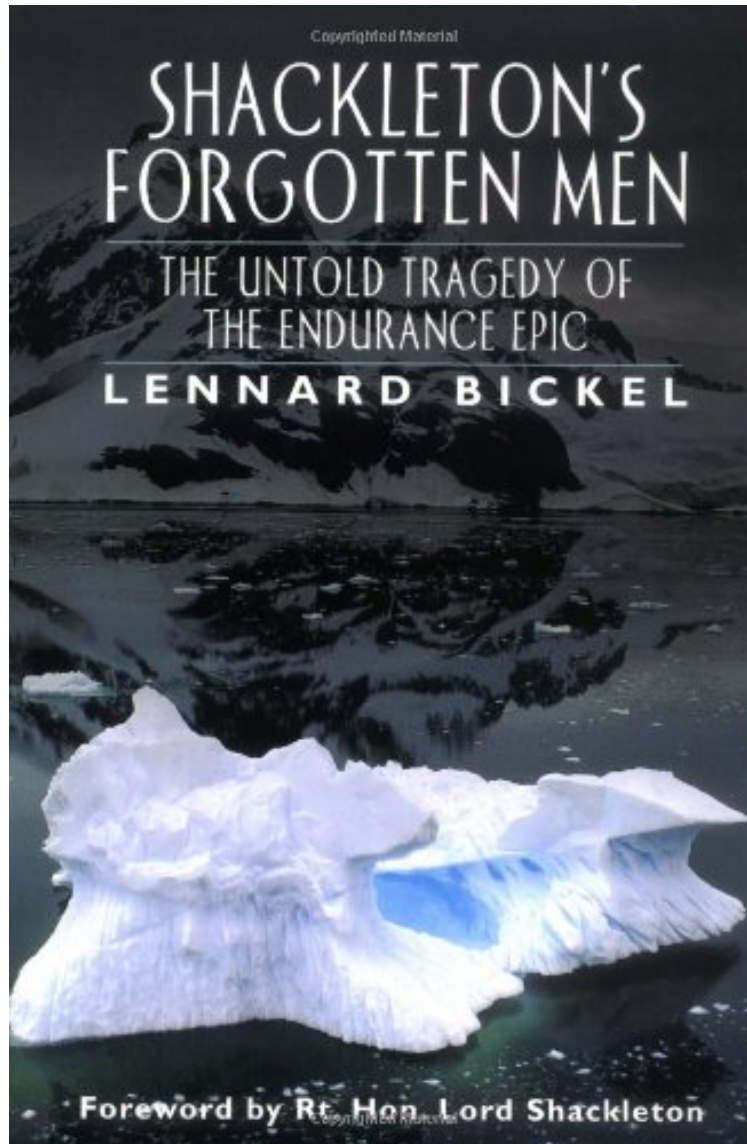


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Lennard Bickel : Shackleton's Forgotten Men: The Untold Tale of an Antarctic Tragedy (Adrenaline Classics) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Shackleton's Forgotten Men: The Untold Tale of an Antarctic Tragedy (Adrenaline Classics):

4 of 5 people found the following review helpful. It answered the rest of my curiosityBy HappyandLuckyI read "Shakletons Way" and "Endurance". They were both essential to get all of my questions answered about what

happened to that party, however I remained uncomfortably curious about what happened to the Ross Sea Party because they were only alluded to. "Shakleton's Forgotten Men" was awesome because it showed how what happened to the Ross Sea Party was as strenuous and heroic as the Endurance experience. It also portrayed the perfect contrast to great leadership by the awful domino effect of what happens when people are under poor leadership (not hideous leadership, just typical). I learned some great things about myself and my motivations and my will from reading this book. The book also totally explains why it could only be written now and not decades ago. I was very satisfied with the answer and felt like I could trust the authors portrayal of the experience of the Ross Sea Party. I give it only 4 stars because the writer was a little hard to follow at times (I eventually put some things together later). It didn't interfere too much with the story though, which I highly recommend! 16 of 16 people found the following review helpful. A most remarkable story of survival By Robert R. Briggs If you are a Shackleton fan, then this book is sure to delight you. The epic of Endurance has been given the most publicity but this story is every bit as captivating. These men, who had the responsibility to place food and supply depots for Shackleton's intended journey across Antarctica, endured hardship beyond description. They were totally dedicated to their task and their devotion to Shackleton is heartwarming. It proves, once again, his leadership prevailed even though he was almost 2,000 miles away from them. The writer gives a good insight into each of the characters and, as you read, you will feel you are enduring the journey yourself. It is without a doubt, one of the greatest stories of survival and a tribute to the toughness of the human spirit to prevail. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. FORGOTTEN MEN By Mort Mason An excellent book on unbelievable Antarctic hardship.

This is a dramatic true story of Antarctic tragedy and survival among the heroic group that was to lay supplies across the Great Ross Ice Shelf in preparation for the Endurance expedition. Launched by Shackleton (and led by Captain Aeneas Mackintosh), this courageous crew completed the longest sledge journey in polar history (199 days) and endured near-unimaginable deprivation. They accomplished most of their mission, laying the way for those who never came. All suffered; some died. Now Australian writer Lennard Bickel honors these forgotten heroes. Largely drawn from the author's interviews with surviving team member Dick Richards, this retelling underscores the capacity of ordinary men for endurance and noble action.

.com Ernest Shackleton, an undeniably brave explorer, labored under a terrible ambition for nearly two decades: the desire to be the first man to reach the South Pole. Repeatedly thwarted by the elements, then finally beaten by the Norwegian adventurer Roald Amundsen, Shackleton revised his objective in 1912. He would be the first, he decided, to complete "the crossing of the South Polar Continent, from sea to sea." Shackleton planned to take his ship, Endurance, to the Weddell Sea and from there set out on foot across the polar plateau; he and his party would be supplied at depots set out by another exploring party. Shackleton never arrived at those depots; Endurance was crushed by sea ice, its sailors marooned for months of endless winter. Unaware of Endurance's fate, the 10-man supply party set out on the other side of the continent and discharged their duties without complaint. In the process, three of them died after crossing hundreds of miles of unforgiving, storm-blasted ice. "Their sacrifice," writes Lennard Bickel, "became a footnote in history and was forgotten, even though Shackleton himself summed up their long agony by saying that 'no more remarkable story of human endeavour has been revealed than the tale of that long march'." Bickel's thoughtful history gives these courageous explorers their due, and it provides a valuable addition to the library of Antarctic travel. --Gregory McNamee From Publishers Weekly Ernest Shackleton's 1915 attempt to cross the Antarctic continent and his dramatic 800-mile open boat journey to find help when his ship was crushed by pack ice in the Weddell Sea, have been thoroughly chronicled (e.g., by Shackleton himself in *South* and by Roland Huntford in *Shackleton*). But Shackleton's fame has overshadowed the efforts of men who risked, and even gave, their lives to help him attain it. Drawing on research and reporting, Bickel (*Mawson's Will*) tells of the small party that set out from the other side of Antarctica that year to lay invaluable food depots for the explorers who would never come. Marooned when their ship was ripped from its moorings by a fierce polar gale, the group had to haul hundreds of pounds of food for themselves and the six members of Shackleton's party across 2,000 miles of frozen wasteland without proper equipment or any idea if they would be rescued. Bickel draws on the men's personal diaries and on lengthy interviews recorded in the late 1970s with the only surviving member of the group in order to infuse the book with staggering details of the party's fight with scurvy and subzero cold. The characters, ranging from the prudent Ernest Joyce to the group's impetuous one-eyed captain, Aeneas Mackintosh, are surprisingly well developed, and Bickel graphically paints their plight, describing "haggard, dirty men, faces black from weeks of hugging the blubber stove, beards matted, here and there the scars of recent frostbite, and their clothes reeking of the smelly fat of the seals that had saved their lives." Balanced, vivid and informative, Bickel's work ensures that the duress endured by these men will not soon be forgotten. (Feb.) Copyright 2000 Reed Business Information, Inc. ...it is more than a tale of survival against the odds...it is about the triumph of the human spirit. -- The New York Times Book Review Bickel's work ensures that the duress endured by these men will not soon be forgotten. -- Publisher's Weekly No more remarkable story of human

endeavor has been revealed than the tale of that long march. -- Sir Ernest Shackleton