

leading coach were hurled down the embankment and the engine was turned on its side. Lebai Dusi was trapped with the soldiers in the coach. He aided their escape by cutting a hole in the roof of the coach and urged them into the attack of the bandits who were by then firing on the coach.

Lebai Dusi then went to the rescue of a wounded Malay soldier whose left leg had been completely severed below the knee. He was under fire from the train attackers but managed to carry the wounded man to the safety of the railway engine, where he rendered first aid in such an efficient manner that the man's life was undoubtedly saved by this prompt action.

Lebai Dusi displayed conspicuous bravery in rescuing and tending the wounded Malay under fire and gave courageous moral support in the action against the bandits.

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For rescuing the pilot of an aircraft which crashed and caught fire.

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For rescuing two children from drowning in the River Welland.

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The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division), in recognition of gallant conduct in fighting fire in circumstances of extreme danger, to the undermentioned:—

No. 22133566 Corporal Peter SMITH, Royal Pioneer Corps.

No. 22171594 Private Bert SAICH, Royal Pioneer Corps.

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