

Bullet Killed Jones, Doctor Tells Inquest

Says He Examined Only Two Victims With Gunshot Wounds

MATTHEWS RIDGE, Guyana (AP)— Peoples Temple leader Jim Jones died from a .38-caliber bullet fired into his brain at close range, a Guyanese government pathologist said here Wednesday.

Dr. Leslie Mootoo told a coroner's inquest the bullet entered Jones' skull just above the right ear and came out just above the left ear. He did not say the wound was self-inflicted but said it was in an area traditionally used by right-handed suicides. Jones was right-handed.

The doctor said that, of the corpses he examined, only those of Jones and Annie Moore, a woman whose body was among 13 found in Jones' house, had gunshot wounds.

However, he did not rule out the possibility that others had been shot.

Jones' body was found at the Jonestown pavilion where he ordered more than 900 of his followers to kill themselves Nov. 18. Most died from drinking a cyanide-laced fruit punch.

The inquest is being held so the Guyanese government can issue death certificates. American Embassy officials have said that until the certificates are issued, the bodies cannot be buried. Most of the bodies are still at Dover Air Force Base, Del.

The only other persons to testify Wednesday were a police photographer and Cecil A. Roberts, an assistant police commissioner.

Roberts said his investigators found \$550,000 in American currency in a feed bag in a chicken coop on the outskirts of the settlement. Earlier, police said about \$1 million had been recovered.

Roberts also said \$48,000 in American money was found on Michael and Tim Carter and Michael Prokes, three cult members who survived the tragedy. Roberts said the three led police to the caches of money.