Are gun laws or rhetoric tied to killings?

1. What are these cartoons saying about the shooting deaths of three Black people in Jacksonville, Florida, by a 21-year-old man carrying an AR-15-style rifle painted with swastikas?
2. Police said the shooter killed himself after the attack and had been involuntarily committed earlier as a suicide risk. Did he legally buy the rifle and pistol he used?
3. What did mourners do when Gov. Ron DeSantis spoke at a Jacksonville prayer vigil?
4. Is it fair to criticize DeSantis, a Republican running for president, for loosening state gun laws and deriding “wokeness” in teaching about racism? Why or why not?

Between the lines

“Plainly put, this shooting was racially motivated, and he hated Black people…. This was quite frankly a maniac who decided he wanted to take lives.” - Jacksonville Sheriff T.K. Waters.


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