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5 Nice to have

Task
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Description
I don't know if this is just the Avan.Tech Tiki instance or if every Tiki is that way, but for me one of the most annoying parts of drafting contents on this wiki here has been—don't laugh—the absence of a global "New page" button by default. It's quite annoying for me because I often want to create a new page in a new tab, and Tiki makes me jump through hoops to do that.

Currently the only way to create a page is to type its full name into the browser's address bar, or to edit another page to create an internal wiki link to the future blank page, which requires foreplanning and seriously *who does that*. It has a number of problems:

- It's not discoverable/natural, only geeks "who have been accustomed to wikis" know they're supposed to do that.
- It lacks in features. A browser's URL bar (or a double-parenthesis wiki link in some other page) is a very poor place to offer proper sanity checking on the name (for example validating

characters, checking for duplicates, etc.)

- The "edit" button next to the search button in the toolbar is neither reliable nor intuitive (if you click it before typing a name into the tiny tiny searchfield it will give you an error, and it just feels unnatural to click an action after typing a title *into a search field*; it should be action first, prompt second, then creation; besides, "Edit" is not "Create" nor "New" or "Add", and its function is further confused by the fact that there is *another* edit button in the page footer that does a completely different thing. My IxD/UX suggestion would be to kill the searchbar-related top edit button entirely, as mentioned in one of the related tickets here).

The "Create" button could serve as a catch-all wizard to prompt the user on what type of thing they want to create:

- A blank wiki page
- A wiki page from a template
- A tracker item, if available/applicable (based on the user's available permissions, it would need to which tracker to create something in)
- Something else?

...but as a first phase, I would already be happy with just a wiki page creation button to begin with, if trackers are too complex to integrate in that UI/UX for now.

Pretty much every other modern web tool out there (Google Docs, WordPress, NextCloud, any web mail client, and probably Confluence, Asana and Notion) has a huge "New" button that is obvious, *right in your face*, to make it frictionless to create new content. And that's what I want: I want to be able to click a button, have Tiki open a popover to ask me what page name (and URL, and whatever else it needs to ask) I want for the page I would create, then it opens it in a new tab for me to create and save it. *Then* I can link to it from another page if I hadn't done so already. Anything else is making me jump through hoops backwards and I would suspect this is highly confusing for the current (and previous!) generation of not-used-to-oldschool-wikis computer users in various organizations. If my dad was still working in the public sector, he would be the kind of guy who would never create a new wiki page because he would never understand the abstract ways of creating one, even if you explain it to him. And it's not just older people, there are *plenty* of young tech-illiterate users out there who will complain about this or quietly/vaguely qualify the software as "not streamlined/not easy to use", which creates needless friction that hurts social adoption in entreprises/organizations when they compare you against GSuite, Confluence, GitHub/GitLab, etc.

This is how it looks like in Confluence: https://youtu.be/ybQIV15BO44?t=19

Notion goes an order of magnitude further, by having contextual "+" creation buttons *everywhere*: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aA7si7AmPkY

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