

Summary

Some Småland parish names

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The author discusses a number of Småland parish names (*Vembo socken*, *Vissefjärda socken*, *Södra Ljunga socken*, *Söderåkra socken*, *Lönneberga socken*). These have been classified as primary parish names, on the basis that, in formal terms, their first element contains an inhabitant designation formed from an older parish name (OSw. *Hvæm*, **Vesofærdh*, *Liung*, *Sudheraker*, *Lynibergh*). The author questions this classification, arguing that they should instead be included in the same category as the underlying parish names. *Torpa* in Sunnerbo district (*härad*), on the other hand, is probably a primary parish name, its plural form attributable to the fact that there were two different hamlets with names in *-thorp* centrally situated in the parish.