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tiello, Homemakers! Enough time ted cheese into dough. today. Every year there seem to be cup chopped raw cranberries into more functions to attend, especially the dough. at this season, not only the women's Raisin Biscuits: Fold 1/2 cup raisconcerts, father's office parties and cut in.

the numerous Christmas endeavours. It therefore behooves as to pre- nuts to mixture after shortening is pare something simple yet festive cut in. for our home gatherings. We believe that our basic recipes with variations may be the answer to your number one problem this week.

BUTTERMILK COOKIES

buttermilk to creamed mixture. Drop from teaspoon on greased coo-375 degrees about 12 mins.

shredded cocoanut and I tsp. grated double crust. orange rind and 1.tsp. lemon rind, Decorated Cookies: Use basic re-

cipe and after cookies are in pan, decorate in one of the following ways: Flatten with spatula and place on centre of each, blanched almodn, raisin, pieces of peel or sealmond, raisin, pieces of peel or se-

BASIC BAKING POWDER RISCUITS

2 cups (all-purpose) flour, 1 tsp. salt, seven-eighths cup milk, 4 tsps. baking powder, 2 tbsps. shortening. Sift dry ingredients twice. Cut

in the shortening with pastry blender. Sprinkle in the milk and toss into a dough mixture with wooden spoon. Use more milk if necessary. Place the dough on floured board,

that or roll lightly to about 1 inch tnickness. Cut it with a biscuit cutter, dipping the cutter into flour to keep it from sticking. Bake on a lightly floured pan in a hot electric oven at 450 degrees for 12 may be used for making tait shells.

Cheese Biscuits: Cut & cup gra-

to prepare for the holiday table is | Cranberry Biscuits: Add 2 theps. the quandry of many homemakers sugar to dry ingredients. Cut 's

organizations, but the children's ins into mixture after shortening is

Nut biscuits: Add 1/2 cup chopped

BASIC PASTRY RECIPE

11/2 cups flour (pastry), 1/2 tsp. salt, 4 cup shortening, 4 thaps. cold

Sift the flour with salt and work I cup brown sugar, 1/2 cup shor- the shortening into it with pastry tening, I egg, well beaten, 1/2 cup mixer. (When shortening is mixed buttermilk or sour milk, 2 and an evenly, the mix looks like coarse eighth cups sifted cake flour, & tsp. oatmeal). Sprinkle in the cold wasalt, 4 tsp. soda, 1/2 tsp. cinnamon. ter, tossing flour into dough. Pat Cream brown sugar and shorten- lightly into a ball, wrap in wax paing, add beaten egg. Sift dry in- per and chill in refrigerator for 1/2 gredients and add alternately with hour. Roll out lightly on a floured board to one-third thickness in a circular fashion. Fold in half and kie sheet. Bake in electric oven of lift to pie plate. Press gently into pie plate. Cut down around the Cocoanut cookies: Add & cup edge. This makes one nine-inch

> Orange Pastry: Use orange juice in place of water, adding a little grated orange rind.

> Nut Pestry: Add 4 cup finely chopped nuts to flour mixture. Cheese Pastry: Add one-third cup finely grated cheese to flour mix-

TAKE A TIP

11. If you use gum drops for variation in cookies, cut and mix in the dough because these gelatin candies will harden in a moderate temperature oven.

2. If your cookie sheet has become black, place the pan of cookies on the top of the jelly roll pan to defiect the neat and prevent the cookies burning on the bottom. 3. If you use pastry flour for baking powder biscuits, you may require I cup of milk to make a

suit dough. 4. The basic pastry dough recipe

THE QUESTION BOX Mrs. J. T. asks: Is it advisable to chill cookie dough in the refrigerator before rolling it out? How long!

will it keep in a cold place? Answer: The flavour and texture is much better if you chill cookie dough. You can store cookie dough in a covered container in the refrigerator for two or three weeks if

necessary. Mrs. S. W. asks: How to keep ice box cookies crisp and hermits soft. Answer: Keep crisp cookies in a in box or crock with a lid-do not store anything else in the container but the cookies after they have been

allowed to cool. Hermits and other soft mixtures may be stored in a covered glass; jar with a piece of apple. Replace

the apple every few days. Mrs. J. T. asks: Recipe for Short

SHORT BREAD

I cup butter, one-third cup fruit sugar, 2 cups flour (or more). Cream butter well, add sugar gradually and cream well together. Add flour slowly. When dough is stiff, turn out on floured board, knead in flour until dough begins to crack. Roll out &" thick, cut with cookie | cutter. Place on baking sheet and bake until lightly browned at 300 degrees.

STOLEN CAR FOUND ON NORVAL HILL

A 1947 coach, med by B. H. Maynard, 247 Samoon Ave., East York, and reported stolen from a parking lot at Adelaide and Church Streets in Toronto on Tuesday morning, was found early last Thursday morning on No. 7 Highway at the top of the Norval Hill. The car was badly wrecked. Provincial Constable Barry Farrell of Brampton is investigating.

Meadowvale Friends Fete Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Plant

Prior to moving to their new home at Hornby friends gathered at Meadowvale school to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Plant, who have sold their farm on the First Line west. They were presented with a mantel chime clock and a pair of silver candle holders. Euchre and dancing occupied the social part of the evening.

HIS BUSINESS

The customer was choosing a book at the library. "Have you had 'Seven Years With the Wrong Woman'?" asked the as-

"No. 12?" snapped the customer: "But what's that got to



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