Applesauce Cookies

Makes: 4 dozen cookies

1/2 cup shortening
1 cup sugar
1 cup unsweetened applesauce
1 tsp. baking soda
2 cups flour

½ tsp. salt opt.
½ cup chopped raisins
½ cup chopped black or English walnuts
1 tsp. cinnamon
½ tsp. cloves

Cream shortening and sugar together. Add applesauce and blend into mixture. Sift flour, and add soda, salt and spices, sift again. Add sifted dry ingredients and stir until smooth. Add chopped raisins and nuts. Drop from teaspoon onto greased baking sheet, spaced 2 to 3 inches apart. Bake at 375° for approximately 12 minutes.