Old-Fashioned Cracked Sugar Cookies

1 cup shortening 1 cup sugar ½ cup firmly packed brown

sugar 1 large egg

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

2 cups all-purpose flour 2 teaspoons baking soda

½ teaspoon salt

2 teaspoons cream of tartar

Sugar

Beat shortening at medium speed of an electric mixer until fluffy; gradually add 1 cup sugar and brown sugar, beating well. Add egg and vanilla; beat well. Combine flour, soda, salt, and cream of tartar; gradually add to creamed mixture, beating well after each addition.

Shape dough into 1-inch balls; roll in additional sugar. Place 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheets. Bake at 350° for 10 to 12 minutes. Cool 2 minutes on cookie sheets; remove to wire racks, and let cool completely. Yield: 5 dozen.

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