## **East Indian Vegetable Casserole**

## **Ingredients:**

2 tb Butter or margarine

1 c Rice, long-grain, uncooked

3/4 c Celery, diagonally sliced

3/4 c Raisins, dark, plumped

1/4 ts Nutmeg, ground

2 Bouillon cubes, beef

1/2 c Nuts, chopped dry-roasted

3/4 c Onion, chopped

1 c Green pepper, coarse chopped

3/4 c Carrot,s liced

1/4 ts Cardamom, ground

1/4 ts Tabasco sauce

2 c Water, boiling

1 pk Mozzarella cheese, slice (8oz)

## **Directions:**

Melt butter in a large saucepan; sauce onion until transparent.

Add rice; mix well.

Stir in green pepper, celery, carrot, raisins, cardamom, nutmeg and Tabasco sauce.

Dissolve bouillon cubes in boiling water; add to rice mixture.

Spoon mixture into a 2-quart casserole; cover tightly.

Bake in preheated 350'F. oven 30 minutes, or until all liquid is absorbed and vegetables are tender.

Remove from oven; sprinkle with nuts and arrange cheese slices over top.

Place under broiler 3 minutes, or until cheese melts.

**Note:** To plump raisins, drop into boiling water; let stand 5 minutes, then drain.