Map of
Butte
MONTANA
As it appeared before
the advent of open pit
mining changed the face
of the original city.

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More than 200 mines pierced
“The Hill” (shown in colored tint)
and its surrounding neighborhoods.
Mine shafts literally undermined
much of the central district of Butte.
Some of the most famous of those mines
are shown with a red triangle, and
a name where space permits.

An approximate
outline of the
Berkeley Pit is
shown in orange

The Pit, opened in 1955,
entirely consumed the
district of Meaderville, home
To Italians, Serbs, Croats,
and the center of the
nightclub scene in old Butte.
Construction of the pit and
alterations in roads caused
the demolition of much of
the East Side and part of
Finn Town and Dublin Gulch.

Later surface mining
operations, outlined in
blue, consumed the
district of McQueen,
shown on this map, and
the famous Columbia
Gardens, which were off
this map to the right.

The approximate areas
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Yellow tint marks the area of Chinatown.

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